

Matt. 6:13, "Aug 30 The Lords..." by Rev. Paul Hudson

The Lord's Prayer- A 4 Part Exposition Summary, Sermon Notes Handout, Daily Devotional, Study Questions, & Crossword, 8/30/2026

Summary

Big Idea

Jesus teaches us to pray for deliverance from the evil one, trusting the Shepherd who has won our freedom now and will soon remove evil forever.

Matthew 6:13 closes the prayer's movement from our Father in heaven to our present deliverance. Its negative-positive parallelism means "deliver us from the evil one" carries the weight: Jesus is not suggesting God tempts us, but teaching us to ask the Father to lead us away from temptation. Like Psalm 141, we admit our weakness and seek God's protection.

Testing can refine faith, produce perseverance, and reveal its genuineness; Jesus is not teaching us to pray against that. He addresses temptation that entices us to sin, the devil's trap to drag us from God. Yet Christ has broken the devil's rule now, shepherds us into freedom, and will finally remove evil forever. Therefore we pray, stay near the Shepherd, resist, and live in Christ's victory.

Keys and Themes

1. Prayer Connects God and Us

The Lord's Prayer joins God's holiness, kingdom, and will with our daily dependence, relationships, and deliverance. It avoids both self-centered appeals and an unapproachable view of God.

2. The Positive Clause Governs

Matthew 6:13 is negative-positive parallelism. "Deliver us from the evil one" interprets the first clause: the Father is asked to bring us out of temptation, never into it.

3. Testing Is Not Enticement

God's testing refines faith, produces perseverance, and may even be welcomed in prayer. Temptation that entices to sin seeks to drag us away through evil desires— this is what we pray against.

4. Recognize the Evil One's Traps

The devil is a deceiver, liar, prowling enemy, and thief who blinds and enslaves. His desirable-looking propositions intend chaos, destruction, and separation from the true light, Jesus Christ.

5. Hold Christ's Victory Now

Jesus' death and resurrection broke the devil's reign, giving the church freedom today. Complete deliverance remains ahead, when evil, temptation, sin, and death will finally be removed forever.

Sermon Notes Handout

Sermon Title: Aug 30 The Lords Prayer Part Four- The Victory | **Scripture:** Matt. 6:13

Point 1: From God to Us

Fill in the blank: The prayer perfectly balances a healthy view of God with a healthy view of _____.

Question: How does prayer connect you to the Father?

Notes:

Point 2: Read the Whole Thought

Fill in the blank: Deliver us from the evil one, and lead us away from _____.

Question: What are you asking God to deliver you from?

Notes:

Point 3: Testing or Enticement

Fill in the blank: God uses testing to strengthen and purify us like a refining _____.

Question: Can you recognize the difference?

Notes:

Point 4: Escape the Enemy's Trap

Fill in the blank: The devil is a roaring lion, but he turns into a _____.

Question: Where do you need to resist?

Notes:

Point 5: Live the Victory

Fill in the blank: Our deliverance from the evil one is right _____.

Question: Will you live in Christ's freedom?

Notes:

Reflection Question: Where do you need to ask the Father for deliverance and trust Christ's freedom?

Next Step: Pray Matthew 6:13 each day, asking Jesus to lead you away from temptation.

Family Discussion Question: How does Jesus, our Shepherd, help us when we feel drawn toward wrong?

Daily Devotional

Sunday — A Prayer That Connects

Scripture: Matthew 6:9-13

The Lord's Prayer deliberately connects God from where he is to where we are. It begins with our Father in heaven, his holiness, kingdom, and will; then it brings us to daily bread, forgiveness, and deliverance. This is not a prayer filled with self-centered appeals, nor does it make God too divine for relationship. It gives a healthy view of God and a healthy view of humanity, joined in a trusting, living relationship with our Creator Father. As we pray its final request, we pray as children who depend on a loving Father.

Reflect Questions:

1. *How does this prayer draw you nearer to the Father?*
 2. *What dependence do you need to acknowledge today?*
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Monday — Deliver Us From Temptation

Scripture: Matthew 6:13; Psalm 141:4

“Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one” is one singular thought. The second, positive line carries the weight of the first. Jesus is not teaching that God might lead us into temptation if we fail to ask correctly. He teaches us to pray, “Deliver us from the evil one, and lead us away from temptation.” Like the psalmist, we take responsibility for our weakness and ask the Lord not to let our hearts be drawn into evil. The Father shows us the way out of sinful indulgences.

Reflect Questions:

1. *What temptation do you need God to lead you away from?*
 2. *Where do you see your own weakness clearly?*
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Tuesday — Refining Fire or Evil Lure

Scripture: James 1:2; James 1:13-14; 1 Peter 1:7

The word temptation can speak of testing or of enticement to sin, and the difference matters. God uses testing to strengthen and purify faith like refining fire, producing perseverance and proven genuineness. That is why the psalmist could pray, “Test me, Lord.” But enticement to sin has another aim: it lures us from God's path. God does not tempt anyone in this way; people are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. Jesus teaches us to pray against this destructive pull, not against every trial that forms genuine faith.

Reflect Questions:

1. *Is this difficulty refining faith or luring you toward sin?*
2. *How can you welcome God's refining work?*

Wednesday — See Through the Lies

Scripture: John 8:44; 2 Corinthians 11:14; 1 Peter 5:8

Behind temptation stands the tempter, behind the lie stands the liar. The evil one is not merely a force but a created, fallen angel: a master deceiver who masquerades as an angel of light. His propositions may look tantalizing and desirable, but his intentions are chaos and evil. He prowls like a roaring lion looking to devour. Jesus teaches us to pray for deliverance from all deception that drags people from the true God and the true light, Jesus Christ. Ask the Father to expose what looks good but leads toward destruction.

Reflect Questions:

1. *What attractive lie needs to be exposed?*
 2. *How will you remain alert and sober-minded today?*
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Thursday — Freedom Now, Full Deliverance Ahead

Scripture: John 12:31; Colossians 1:13-14; Revelation 20:10

Jesus gives a prayer he has already answered and will answer again for the final time. Through his death and resurrection, the devil's reign and rule have been broken. The Father has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves. We have been set free today, and this prayer teaches us to live in that freedom. Yet complete deliverance is still coming, when evil and its temptation, together with sin and death, will be no more. Hold onto Christ's victory now.

Reflect Questions:

1. *Where do you need to live in Christ's freedom today?*
 2. *How does final deliverance strengthen your hope?*
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Friday — Submit and Resist

Scripture: James 4:7; John 10:10

The devil may look ferocious, but Christ has broken his power. Scripture says, "Submit yourself to the Lord; resist the devil and he will flee from you." This does not call us to fight alone or trust ourselves. It calls us to submit to the Lord who gives life to the full. The thief aims to steal, kill, and destroy, then to blind us into believing there is no way out. But Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. In temptation, turn toward him with confidence rather than surrendering to the trap.

Reflect Questions:

1. *What does submission to the Lord look like today?*
2. *How can you resist without relying on yourself?*

Saturday — Words Faithful and True

Scripture: 1 Chronicles 29:11; Revelation 5:13; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

The familiar doxology, “For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever,” is absent from earlier manuscripts of Matthew, though it was likely prayed very early. Even if these are not the words of Jesus in Matthew’s Gospel, there is nothing wrong with praying them. They align with Scripture: the kingdom, power, glory, majesty, and splendor belong to the Lord; praise, honor, glory, and power belong to the Lamb. In the end, Jesus will destroy every dominion, authority, and power that has opposed God’s creation.

Reflect Questions:

- 1. How does God’s kingdom reshape your prayers?*
- 2. What opposition will Christ finally destroy?*

Study Questions

Read Matt. 6:13 and listen to the sermon "Aug 30 The Lords Prayer Part Four- The Victory" (8/30/2026)

Observation

- 1) How does the Lord's Prayer move from God's heaven to our present need?
- 2) Which clause carries the interpretive weight in Matthew 6:13?
- 3) What two meanings of temptation does the sermon distinguish?
- 4) How does the sermon describe the devil's mission and methods?

Interpretation

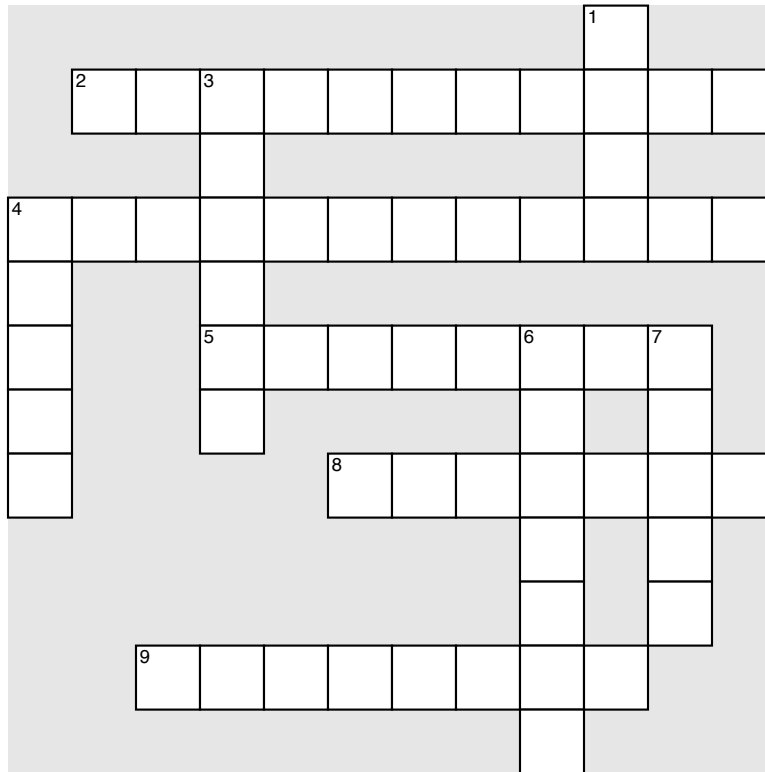
- 1) Why does negative-positive parallelism change how we read "lead us not into temptation"?
- 2) Why is Jesus not teaching believers to pray against every kind of testing?
- 3) How do James 1:13-14 locate temptation apart from God's character?
- 4) What does Christ's present and future deliverance mean for this prayer?

Application

- 1) Where are you relying on yourself instead of praying for deliverance?
- 2) How can you stay close to the Shepherd when temptation draws near?
- 3) What lie or trap has Christ's truth exposed in your life and how can you continue walking in the truth?
- 4) How can Christ's victory give you confidence to resist temptation today?

Crossword Puzzle

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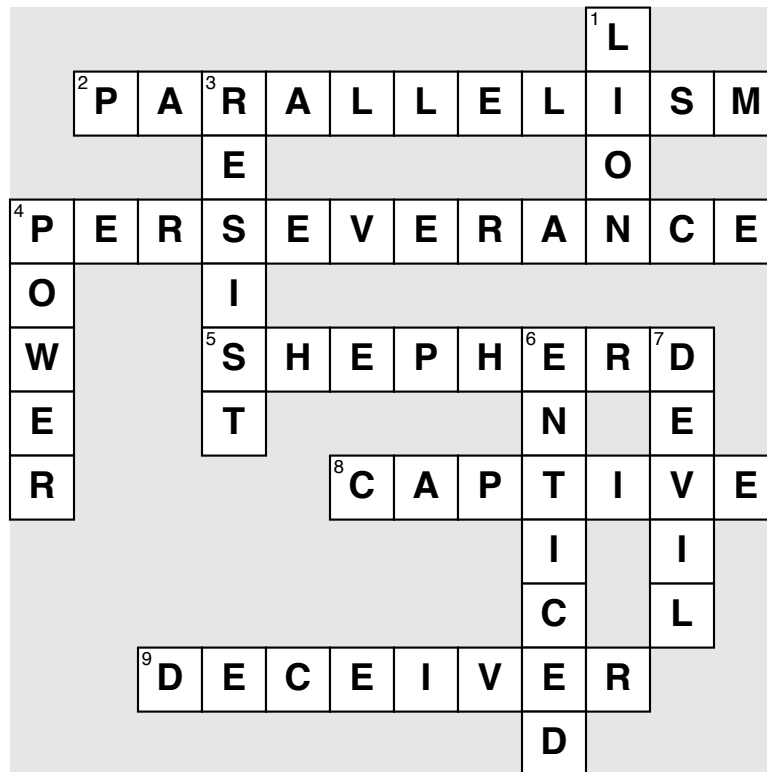
2. Hebrew poetic pattern explaining Matthew 6:13
4. Result produced through testing of faith
5. Jesus guides straying sheep into safety
8. Condition of those trapped to do the enemy's will
9. Enemy who masquerades as an angel of light

Down

1. Image for the prowling enemy seeking victims
3. Response that makes the devil flee
4. Christ destroys opposing dominion authority and this
6. Drawn by evil desire toward wrongdoing
7. Created fallen angel behind deception and evil

Crossword Answer Key

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Across Answers

2. PARALLELISM
4. PERSEVERANCE
5. SHEPHERD
8. CAPTIVE
9. DECEIVER

Down Answers

1. LION
3. RESIST
4. POWER
6. ENTICED
7. DEVIL