MATTHEW 6:5-15

"OUR FATHER WHICH ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME"

⁵ "And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward.

⁶ But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who *is* in the secret *place;* and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.

⁷ And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen *do.* For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

²⁶ So they took the bull which was given them, and they prepared *it*, and called on the name of Baal from morning even till noon, saying, "O Baal, hear us!" But *there was* no voice; no one answered. Then they leaped about the altar which they had made.
²⁷ And so it was, at noon, that Elijah mocked them and said, "Cry aloud, for he *is* a god; either he is meditating, or he is busy, or he is on a journey, *or* perhaps he is sleeping and must be awakened." ²⁸ So they cried aloud, and cut themselves, as was their custom, with knives and lances, until the blood gushed out on them. ²⁹ And when midday was past, they prophesied until the *time* of the offering of the *evening* sacrifice. But *there was* no voice; no one answered, no one paid attention. *1 Kings 18:26-29*

⁸ "Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him.

¹¹ If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if *he asks* for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!" *Luke 11:11-13*

⁶Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, ⁷ casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. *1 Peter 5:6 & 7*

¹⁴Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all *points* tempted as *we are, yet* without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:14-16

⁹ In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. ¹⁰Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as *it is* in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors. ¹³ And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen 11 Yours, O LORD, *is* the greatness,
The power and the glory,
The victory and the majesty;
For all *that is* in heaven and in earth *is Yours;*Yours *is* the kingdom, O LORD,
And You are exalted as head over all.

1 Chronicles 29:11

14 FOR IF YOU FORGIVE OTHERS THEIR TRESPASSES, YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER WILL ALSO FORGIVE YOU, 15 BUT IF YOU DO NOT FORGIVE OTHERS THEIR TRESPASSES, **NEITHER WILL YOUR** FATHER FORGIVE YOUR TRESPASSES.

 ³² And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

• Ephesians 4:32

<u>Are you willing to trade God's gifts for "Man's" gifts?</u>

What can "Man" offer that would be better than God's gifts? Is the praise of man better?

Mankind does the same regarding salvation?

Trading a life of sin on earth (what "man" offers) for an eternity totally separated from God, living forever in torment

<u>How have you been rewarded by our heavenly</u> <u>Father?</u>

Salvation	God's Written Word
Wisdom	Clothing
Love	Shelter
Peace	Food
Patience	Family/ Friends
Truth	Church (worship openly without persecution)
Righteousness	

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