Stay Connected with His Bread

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The fourth petition of the Lord's Prayer, *"Give us this day our daily bread,"* **reminds us that our heavenly Father is not only concerned with the <u>grand truths</u> of His name, His kingdom and His will; He also cares about the <u>small details</u> of our daily lives.**

Even though we trust in a supernatural God, our life of faith is deeply rooted in God's physical <u>creation</u>.

Our Father in heaven uses all that He has made to bless His <u>children</u>.

What is meant by, "The earthier, the giftier"?

<u>Gratitude</u> replaces anxiety when we pray for daily bread!

Matthew 6:31-34
So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

How has the Father answered your prayer for daily bread?

Philippians 4:6-7
Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<u>Generosity</u> replaces greed when we pray for daily bread!

How has the Father used YOU to answer another person's prayer for daily bread?

Psalm 104:13-15
He waters the mountains from His upper chambers; the land is satisfied by the fruit of His work. He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for people to cultivate—bringing forth food from the earth: wine that gladdens human hearts, oil to make their faces shine, and bread that sustains their hearts.

When we pray for the Father to give us our daily bread, we are not only inviting His <u>blessing</u> upon us; we're also asking Him to bless others through us and our <u>vocations</u>.