

Name _____

MAKE UP WORK

From: Father In Heaven (September, 23, 2009)

True or False: *(Circle the correct answer.)*

1. True or False: Praying "Our" Father makes this a prayer for the whole community of Christ
2. True or False: If you don't get along with your dad, you can't pray this prayer.
3. True or False: "In heaven" refers to the pearly gates and angels floating around on clouds.
4. True or False: Luther reminds us that praying the Lord's Prayer is more than a suggestion from
God, it's a command to us.

Multiple Choice: *(Circle the correct answer.)*

1. "Our Father" reveals two great truths about God. They are
 - a. That God is mentioned in both Old and New Testaments.
 - b. That God loved to pray and raised Jesus to do so too.
 - c. Too complicated to explain here.
 - d. That God is both close to us and mysteriously everywhere.
2. We can pray to God as "Our Father" because
 - a. We go to confirmation.
 - b. Our parents give to the offering each Sunday.
 - c. God thinks of us as God's children.
 - d. We have those words memorized.
3. In Matthew 14:36, Jesus calls God "Abba." *Abba* refers to...
 - a. a Swedish rock group.
 - b. a meter of poetry.
 - c. "Dady" in the language Jesus spoke.
 - d. All Powerful, All Knowing, Omnipotent Sir.
4. What percentage of children today have no father figure in their life?
 - a. 50%
 - b. 100%
 - c. 25%
 - d. 0%

Handbook Connection

Turn to the portion of *The Lutheran Handbook* entitled "How to Tell the Difference Between the Law and the Gospel" (pages 86-88).

LAW

GOSPEL

The Catechism

Turn to the introduction to the Lord's Prayer in the Small Catechism (*The Lutheran Handbook*, page 207). Fill in the blanks:

Our Father in Heaven

What is this?

With these words God wants to _____ us, so that we _____ he is truly our _____ and we are truly his _____, In order that we may ask him _____ and with complete _____, just as loving children ask their _____.

Bible Connection

Read Genesis 32:22-30 in your bible. What did Jacob received and didn't receive in this encounter.

Read Exodus 3:13-15. What is God's name when God speaks to him through the burning bush.

Read Isaiah 9:6. What other names are used for God?

Is it helpful to have different names for God? How is it not helpful?

Key Words

Give a definition to the following words:

ACCESS

OUR

BOUNDLESS

Closing Questions

How are people to pray to God as "parent" if they don't feel close to their parents?

If God cares about us so much, why doesn't God figure out a way to answer our prayers with words?

Why is praying so difficult sometimes?

Closing Blessing *(pray to yourself)*

May God our parent and provider continue to meet us in prayer. In the name of the Father +, and of the Son +, and of the Holy Spirit +. Amen

(When finished, return this to your small group leader. Thanks!)