

## Theology Simply Explained — CC117 “The LORD Who Provides”

**Pastor walks his children through Children’s Catechism question 117—especially explaining how the Hallowed King attends to our smallest (and greatest) needs, and teaches us to ask Him for them.**

Q117. What do we pray for in the fourth petition? ***That God would give us all things needful for our bodies and souls.***

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All right, Sophia the children’s catechism lesson for this week is number 117. What do we pray for in the fourth petition? And the answer is that God would give us all things needful. For our bodies and souls. Now. Fourth petition is give us this day. Our daily bread. Which means even for our bread, we must pray to God.

And not just once for all of the bread that we have over our whole life. But that every day, We should pray to God for that day’s bread. Now, the God who gives us our bread? And the God whose name is hallowed and whose kingdom comes and whose will rules over all and commands.

All He gives us even our daily bread and we’re to pray even for our daily bread. This teaches us. That we should pray to him. For everything that we need. And if he so cares for our body, Won’t he care for our soul? And if we are to pray, even for the things of the body, Shouldn’t we pray, especially for the things of the Soul.

And we’ll see that when we get to. The fifth and sixth petition. Jar, especially the things of the Soul. But when Jesus, Precedes the Lord’s Prayer by saying, Your father in Heaven knows what you need before you ask therefore in this way. Pray And then, he tells us. To pray.

Give us this day. Our daily bread. He’s teaching us. That we should pray that everything, our Father in Heaven knows that we need. That we should ask for so we learn from his word. Many things that we need like bread sleep. Things like that. And we know from his word, especially, What our souls need.

And we should ask him for all those things. Nothing is too small. To ask your heavenly father. And you cannot ask him to frequently. He never gets tired. Of you asking him for whatever you need from him, we come every day and we say, father, can I have bread again today?

And he gives us. Later. The Sermon on the Mount, from which we Get the Lord’s Prayer. It reminds us. That. we are not to worry about what we will eat or or what we will wear. Our Father in heaven. Knows what to give us and gives us what we will eat, what we will drink, what we will wear.

And even he gives us, he says, sufficient for each day is its own trouble. So don’t worry about those things. Because your father in Heaven. Is giving you everything you need. Even the right amount of trouble. Comes to the believer, because We know. that we are getting a sufficient portion.

Or a competent portion. exactly the right portion to accomplish whatever God’s good purpose is. In our life. So, immediately after we say, thy will be done in Earth as it is in heaven, Which yes is praying that we and others would obey him but it’s also praying. He would do all his own Sovereign will.

Then we pray, give us this day. Our daily bread trusting. That whatever he gives us is the right amount. Even sometimes. Believers might get no bread for a day. Or for many days which has happened to Believers sometimes. And yet. Praying as the Lord, Jesus taught us to pray.

We’re reminded that if it’s no bread, that’s still. Exactly what father knew we needed. What a great comfort. To ask him for everything, our bodies and souls need. And knowing that he’s giving us exactly what is right. What a wonderful way to live. Even. The Walmart today. Let’s checkout.

Lady asked how I was doing. And I forgot to evangelize her at first, I just gave my standard answer. Praise God. and She said something kind of non-committal. So I asked her Do you praise God. And she said, why? Yes I do. I said, well, I You’re praising God.

Who died for you? Because he’s the only real God. Every other God is made up by men. But if you have the God who died for you, You can know that, whatever your circumstances are. If he did that for you, You can still praise him. Mike, Romans 8 32 says, He who did not spare his own son, but gave him up for us all.

How will he not also together with him? Give us All things. And so, whatever amount of bread. Or drink or clothing or trouble, or anything else? God your father who gave his son? The Lord Jesus to make you his child. This surely giving you exactly what you need. And then you can always praise him.

Even when the circumstances are different. So, the question is, What do we pray for in the fourth petition? Now, the answer is That God would give us all things needful. For our bodies and souls.