"Give us this day our daily bread." (PROVISION)

Our greatest need is for more of God

> ...man can't live by bread alone, but by EVERY word which proceeds from the mouth of God. Matthew 4:4

The pursuit of God is the primary function of our lives. God First Living

> **Seek FIRST the kingdom of God** and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." Matthew 6:33
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> **Delight yourself in the LORD**, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4
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> What is the deepest root of your joy? What God gives to you? Or what God is to you? JOHN PIPER
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> God graciously guides us into a greater realization that our ultimate need is for more of his word, more of his ways—more of him.

Give us THIS DAY our Daily Bread The Holy Bible is our Daily Bread.

The Bible is our **Sustaining Bread**; the word sustains us in the day of temptation.

> **Now when the tempter came to Him**, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'" Matthew 4:3-4

Jesus is the **True Bread**; his words are light and life

> Then Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, Moses did not give you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." (John 6:32-33)
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> Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path. Psalm 119:105 (NIV)

God has a fresh word for you every day; a word for you, your family, your children, and your friends. God would like to speak to you every day! It's a word that will strengthen you, encourage you and equip you for the day.

Daily Bread is how we grow in our 'faith walk'

Everything we could ever need for life AND **complete devotion to God** has **already been deposited in us** ...by his divine power. *For all this was given to us* through the **rich experience of knowing him** who has **called us by name** and invited us to come to him through a glorious manifestation of his goodness. [4] As a result of this, **he has given you magnificent promises** ...that are beyond all price, so that ...**through *the power of* these tremendous promises** ...you can **experience partnership** ...with **His divine nature**, by which you have escaped the corrupt desires that are of the world. [5] So devote yourselves to supplementing your faith with goodness, and to goodness add understanding, [6] and to understanding add the strength of self-control, and to self-control add patient endurance, and to patient endurance add godliness, [7] and to godliness add mercy toward your brothers and sisters, and to mercy toward others add unending love. [8] **Since these virtues are already *planted* deep within**, and **you possess them in abundant supply**, they will keep you from being inactive or fruitless in your pursuit of knowing Jesus Christ more intimately 2 Peter 1:1-8 (TPT)

Give us this Day our Daily Bread is to Read and Study His Word.

(Tips for Study)

YouVersion Bible App (bible study for yourself and with others)

The SOAP method:

- *S for Scripture*: Read prayerfully. Take notice of which scripture(s) catches your attention and mark it in your Bible. When you're done, reread the verse(s) you marked and look for one that particularly speaks to you. Write it in your journal.
- *O for Observation*. Focusing on that scripture, tune in and listen to what God is saying to you through His Word. What is it about this scripture that specifically stands out? What does God want to reveal to you or teach you? Ask the Holy Spirit to be your guide and show you what God is saying.

- *A for Application*. Think of how this verse(s) applies to your life right now. Perhaps it is instruction, encouragement, revelation of a new promise, or correction for a particular area of your life. Use your journal to write how this scripture applies to you today.
- *P for Prayer*. Wrap up your SOAP time in prayer. Talk to God about what you've just read. This can be as simple as thanking Him for revealing a truth from the scripture, or it may be asking Him for greater insight or wisdom as to how it applies to your life. Remember, prayer is all about relationship. It's a two-way conversation, so be sure to listen to what God has to say.
- Agreement/Alignment/Action.

Give us this day our 'Physical Bread'

You cannot claim 'the promises' of God when you are violating 'the principles' of God...a command to the Rich

> Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment.[18] Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. [19] By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life. 1 Timothy 6:17-19 NLT
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> Glorify God with all your wealth, honoring him with your very best, with every increase that comes to you. [10] Then every dimension of your life will overflow with blessings from an uncontainable source of inner joy! Proverbs 3:9-10 TPT

3 Types of Biblical Giving

> **<u>The Tithe</u>**. I ask you, is it right for a person to cheat God? Of course not, yet you are cheating me. 'How?' you ask. In the matter of tithes and offerings. [9] A curse is on all of you because the whole nation is cheating me. [10] Bring the full amount of your tithes to the Temple, so that there will be plenty of food there. Put me to the test and you will see that I will open the windows of heaven and pour out on you in abundance all kinds of good things. [11] I will not

let insects destroy your crops, and your grapevines will be loaded with grapes. [12] Then the people of all nations will call you happy, because your land will be a good place to live. Malachi 3:8-12 NLT

<u>The Offering</u> – giving above the tithe – sowing and reaping
Remember this: Whoever **sow**s **sparingly** will also reap **sparingly**, and whoever **sow**s generously will also reap generously. 2 Corinthians 9:6 NIV

<u>The Extravagant gift</u>; those who have given extravagant gifts may they have extravagant blessing. There is a call to be independently wealthy so you can be a partner with God...to be a blessing to the nations some of you are going to receive that call right now while I'm preaching

My Faith Declarations (Judy I may add more of these)

God of Heavens armies...rebuke the devour and cause increase, abundance of wealth and provision to all who tithe

God everyone that has given offering above the tithe I ask that you give them a 100 fold return

I am a tither...I have given offering and extravagant gifts...therefore any place the enemy has stolen from me it must be returned 7 times over.
Men do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry; But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house."
Proverbs 6:30-31 KJV

God I thank you that you are forgiving our debts and that we live debt free; God has called us to be the lender not the borrower.

God you take the well of the wicked and lay it in the lap of the righteous.
A good person leaves an inheritance to his grandchildren, but the wealth of the wicked is reserved for the righteous. Proverbs 13:22 ISV

God you've given me the power to be independently wealthy. And you shall remember the Lord your God, for *it is* He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as *it is* this day.
Deuteronomy 8:18 NKJV