

Listen to the Bible reading.

Who is speaking these words
which we are looking at today? J_____

What is he teaching us about? P_____

Can you remember the Lord's prayer? We will be learning
the Lord's prayer over the coming few weeks. Can you
remember it?

"Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts,

as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil."

Matthew 6v9-13

Let's think about who this prayer is for:

The person praying this prayer calls God their F_____

This means that this prayer is for God's c_____

Prayer is something wonderfully special
but it is only for **God's children**

He always hears and listens to them when they pray.

But who are God's children? Put a ✓ or a ✗ in the for each of these sentences to show if they are right or wrong.
God's children are those who...

...go to church on Sundays

...have put their trust in Jesus who died for them

...read the Bible and pray

We were not born as God's children.

In fact, we were God's **enemies**.

Use the words in the box to complete the sentences:

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| children | wrong | die | family | adopted |
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It is God who brings us into his _____ and makes

us his _____. He can do this because he has sent

Jesus to _____ for the _____ in our hearts.

So through Jesus we can be _____ into his family.

Do you know how you are supposed to speak to different important people? See if you can match below what you should say to the right people.

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| your majesty | • | • | a Field Marshal in the army |
| your honour | • | • | the Queen |
| Sir | • | • | an ambassador |
| your excellency | • | • | a judge |

God is far more powerful and far more important than each of these people.

But Jesus tells us we can speak to him as our **father**.

God is so

Great and Powerful

but we are so small and weak...

so why would God listen to us when we pray? What do you think? Put a ✓ or a ✗ in the to show if they are right or wrong.

Because he loves us

He will listen if we pray loud enough

He listens when we do good things

If we are God's children, he doesn't just listen to us when we are good. He listens because he loves us!

Isn't that wonderful? What an **amazing father** we have!

What does the Lord's prayer tell us about where God is?

In a way it can seem like our heavenly father is far away.

It is true he is in _____ and he is _____ and great.
(eeanvh) (oylh)

But he is also very close because he _____ us and
(vlsoe)

always _____ our prayers!
(earhs)

Pray

Look back at the things we have learned today. What can you thank God for as you pray?

Write them down here:

Our Father in heaven, we thank you that...

1. _____

2. _____

Now pray to God our Father and thank him!