



Study 2 - Hallowed Be Your Name

1. *"We ought to cherish and marvel at the fact that for nearly two thousand years people have prayed this prayer. When you take these words on your lips you stand on hallowed ground." NT Wright*

What normally goes through your mind when you pray the Lord's Prayer in a church service?

2. What kinds of things are we asking when we pray: "hallowed be your name"?

("hallowed" = honoured, sanctified, glorified, praised...)

3. In what ways did Jesus model a life of giving glory to God the Father?

Discuss, then consider Philippians 2:5-11 together:

5 Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, 7 but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!

9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

What was the 'attitude' of Christ Jesus that we need to imitate?

4. How do the major events in the story of the Bible glorify God's name?

Biblical Event	How does it glorify God's name?
Creation	
Fall	
Call of Abraham	
Exodus out of Egypt	
Reign of King David	
Exile into Babylon	
Book of Acts	
Second coming of Christ	

5. How might the priority of honouring God's name guide us with secret temptations against sin?

6. Think of the normal prayer requests that you share in your group. How might this prayer reshape or impact those requests?

7. What might change in your life if God powerfully and immediately answered your prayer to honour his name?

Are you ready for God to honour his name in your work, family and other parts of your life?