



YOUTH INSTRUCTION CLASS

LESSON 25: LORD'S PRAYER

THIRD PETITION

Introduction

- In the first petition (keeping God's name holy), we prayed that God's word be taught truthfully and that we might lead a Christian life.
- In the second petition (the coming of His kingdom), we prayed that His word would come to us and be spread to others.
- *God's will* is what He desires and wants.

Write out the third request in the Lord's Prayer:

More About God's Will

What else does the Bible say about the will of our heavenly Father?

1 Timothy 2:3-4 (1153)

Romans 12:2 (1157)

Romans 8:28 (1240)

When we pray *your will be done* we are saying to God that:

1. **We want to do whatever He wants us to do**
(We want to do His will)
2. **We are willing to suffer if it is His will**
(We are willing to accept whatever His will is for us)
 - The will of God is *good and gracious* because God wants the best for us (to save us) and He works out all things for our good.

Examples of Doing God's Will

John 4:34

Luke 22:42

Psalm 103:20-21

Not everyone wants God's will to be done. Who opposes this good and gracious will of our heavenly Father?

1 Peter 5:8 (1165)

1 John 2:15-16 (1166)

Galatians 5:17 (1171)

These are sometimes known as the "unholy three."

God's will is therefore done among us when we:

James 4:7 (1172)

Galatians 1:4 (1174)

Romans 6:6 (1178)

Conclusion

- **What then do we pray for when we pray the third petition of the Lord's Prayer?** (See Luther's explanation on p. 209)

Assignment

- Memorize the third petition with the explanations (Catechism, p. 209)