

**Wednesday Prayer and Fasting: 16<sup>th</sup> June 2010**  
**May your name be Hallowed (Sanctified)**  
**Mathew 6:9c**

This in fact is the first petition in what we call the Lord's Prayer. The request is that the name of the Lord God be set apart and respected with utmost reverence universally. In simple terms, we are asking in this petition that God be known for who He is - The one true and living God all powerful all knowing everlasting. Once creation acknowledges the personhood of God, they will adore and humbly submit to His authority, allowing Him to be both Lord and Saviour of their lives.

Those of us, who know God and submit to Him, have an extra responsibility which I will attempt to present as a principle for all of us to live by.

The principle is as follows: whatever we ask God for in prayer, we must be willing to be used by Him to bring that thing we have prayed for to past. So with regards to the sanctification and hallowing of the name of our Lord as petitioned in the Lord 's Prayer, it is required therefore that we be instrumental in the hallowing of His Great name.

**Selah\***

Consider what it means to make God's name Holy. What would our world be like if everyone appreciated the truth concerning whom God Is?

How do you think God would have you hallow His name?

What things can you do today so that through you His name has inimitable and exceptional significance?

**Bible Study**

John 17:6-26

Take your time as you read and re-read this priestly prayer of Jesus. Try and identify specific prayer points and themes that Jesus makes in His prayer.

**Prayer Points**

- Pray as Christ, that Fathers name be hallowed
- Take some of the themes of Jesus' prayer in John 17 and make them your prayer point
- Pray for PCF so that in all we do, God is seen for who He is.
- Pray that our church be a hotbed for worship, prayer, the Word, Evangelism, practical acts of love and spiritual enriching through the operating of His gifts.
- Pray that we all appreciate that this is Christ church

\* Selah is believed to be a Hebraic musical term with the intention that the vocals pause (McClintock and Strong encyclopaedia) whilst the music continues. My purpose in using this term here is for us, a pause and consider moment.