



Is The Lord's Prayer Still  
Relevant?

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# The Importance of Prayer

## **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18:**

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

## **Philippians 4:6-7**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



# Comfort and Strength

1 Peter 5:6-7

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

# History of The Lord's Prayer

## The Lords Prayer in Schools



*The real turning point came in 1962 with the landmark U.S. Supreme Court case*

The words in the *Public Schools Act* were removed as being inconsistent with freedom of conscience and religion guarantees in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.





# The Lords Prayer

– *In Context (Matthew 6)*

- Reminder on the purpose of prayer
- Self righteousness
- Vain repetition
- Works in secret

# The Lord's Prayer: Breakdown

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:9 "Our Father who is in heaven..."	= a Humble Heart
:10 "Your Kingdom... Your will be done "	= Gods Will Not Ours
:11 " Our daily Bread "	= Trusting God
:12 "Forgive us our debts..."	= Reliance on Gods Mercy
:13 " Lead us not into Temptation"	= Strength to Overcome
:13 "For yours is the Kingdom"	= Glory Given to God

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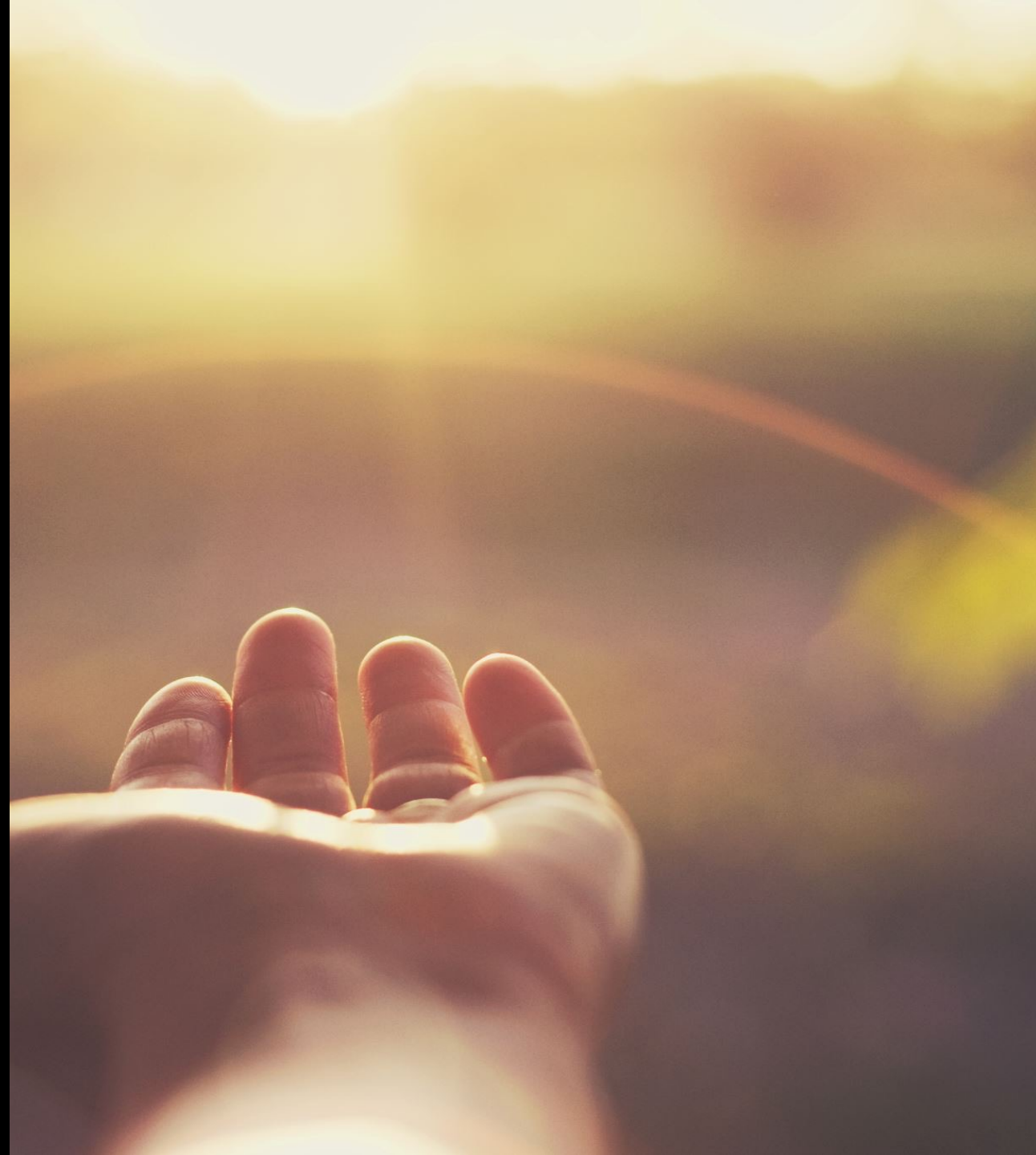


# What About Other Prayers?

## **1 Samuel 2:1-2**

And Hannah prayed and said:

“My heart rejoices in the LORD;  
My horn is exalted in the LORD.  
I smile at my enemies,  
Because I rejoice in Your salvation.  
No one is holy like the LORD,  
For there is none besides You,  
Nor is there any rock like our God.





# So, *IS* the Lord's Prayer Still Relevant?

## Summary:

- The Importance of Prayer in Our Lives: Builds our relationship with God, strengthens our trust and helps rest our anxious thoughts
- The History of The Lords Prayer - The elimination of the Lord's prayer reflects the state of religion today
- A Breakdown of the Lords Prayer and it's role in our lives today

*IS the Lord's Prayer Still Relevant?*

IT IS UP TO YOU!