

Use this article in a Bible study or small group, and then discuss:

1. In what ways has living through this pandemic affected your Christian faith? What insights from faith have you gained to help in your living?

2. Why is it important to begin the Lord's Prayer by recognizing God as the One who hears and answers our prayers? What does it mean to believe God hears and answers our prayers during a pandemic?

3. Where, even in the midst of a pandemic, do you see God's reign breaking forth in this world? What are ways you feel responsible for helping to do God's will in our society and culture?

4. What are your feelings when you pray for "daily bread," when so many are also praying for their most basic needs to be met? What are the "political dimensions" of your life for which you daily ask for forgiveness?

5. Are there temptations that seem particularly strong and that you are facing especially during these days? What are ways you see God delivering us from evil?

6. What comfort and encouragement does it give you to affirm God's "power and glory" at the end of the Lord's Prayer? What are ways you try to live for the "glory of God"?