

The Lord's Prayer: A Prayer To Say  
The Hidden Power Of The Amen  
The Father Who Answers Prayer Assures Us of Answers to Our Prayers  
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*Matthew 6:9–13 (NKJV) : 9...Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.10Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.11Give us this day our daily bread.12And forgive us our debts, As we [have already forgiven] our debtors. 13And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

*Luke 11:1–2 (NASB) : It happened that while Jesus was praying in a certain place, after He had finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John also taught his disciples." 2And He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come.*

*Matthew 6:5–8 (NASB) : 5"When you pray, you are not to be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners so that they may be seen by men. Truly I say to you, they have their reward in full. 6But you, when you pray, go into your inner room, close your door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you. 7"And when you are praying, do not use meaningless repetition as the Gentiles do, for they suppose that they will be heard for their many words. 8So do not be like them; for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.*

**Why Jesus Taught Them To Pray:**

1. He didn't want them to pray like the hypocrites
2. He wanted them to pray to their Father
3. He didn't want them to use meaningless repetitions like Gentiles
4. He wanted them to know the Father already knows their needs

**Teach us to pray:**

- so we can get answers
- so we can accomplish our mission
- so we are certain of the outcome
- so we can be assured we have been heard
- so we are not guilty of vain repetitions
- so we know what pleases God
- so we can have hope for the future
- so we can know when we're finished

**Strong's Concordance:**

*"The word 'amen' is a most remarkable word. It was transliterated directly from the Hebrew into the Greek of the New Testament, then into Latin and into English and many other languages, so that it is practically a universal word. It has been called the best known word in human speech."*

Its Origin is Hebrew, Hebrew itself is an original language given to Israel by God. It has no literature behind it.

**Setting The Hook**

Hebrew: אָמֵן aleph mem nun  
Greek: ἄμην α alpha mu eta nu

#### Pronunciations Differ According to Tradition

Synagogue Hebrew pronunciation: Ah-main  
Traditional Christian Churches: Ahh-men  
In Songs & Urban/Country Churches: Ayy-man

In the Greek New Testament three words are used to translate

1. amen
2. truly
3. verily, or surely

John 1:51 (NASB) : *And He said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see the heavens opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."*

John 3:3 (NASB) : *Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."*

John 3:5 (NASB) : *Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."*

*"I who am the Amen [Truth itself] tell you as a most certain and infallible truth"*  
—Zodhiates, S. (2000)

#### The Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament

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- to confirm, support, uphold (Qal)
- to be established, be faithful (Niphal)
- to be certain, i.e. to believe in (Hiphil)

Genesis 15:6 (NASB) : *Then he believed in the LORD; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness.*

Isaiah 7:3–9 (NASB) : *Then the LORD said to Isaiah, "Go out now to meet Ahaz, you and your son Shear-jashub, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool, on the highway to the fuller's field, 4and say to him, 'Take care and be calm, have no fear and do not be fainthearted because of these two stubs of smoldering firebrands, on account of the fierce anger of Rezin and Aram and the son of Remaliah. 5Because Aram, with Ephraim and the son of Remaliah, has planned evil against you, saying, 6"Let us go up against Judah and terrorize it, and make for ourselves a breach in its walls and set up the son of Tabeel as king in the midst of it," 7thus says the Lord GOD: "It shall not stand nor shall it come to pass. 8For the head of Aram is Damascus and the head of Damascus is Rezin (now within another 65 years Ephraim will be shattered, so that it is no longer a people), 9and the head of Ephraim is Samaria and the head of Samaria is the son of Remaliah. If you will not believe, you surely shall not last."*

Isaiah 7:9 (NASB) : *and the head of Ephraim is Samaria and the head of Samaria is the son of Remaliah. If you will not [Amen], you surely shall not [be established]."*

Deuteronomy 7:9 (NASB) : *Know therefore that the LORD your God, He is God, the faithful (the Amen) God, who keeps His covenant and His lovingkindness to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments;*

Isaiah 65:16 (NASB) : *“Because he who is blessed in the earth Will be blessed by the God of truth; And he who swears in the earth Will swear by the God of truth; Because the former troubles are forgotten, And because they are hidden from My sight!*

1 John 5:14–15 (NASB) : *This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. 15And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.*

To Have It, You Must Take It

If We Know That He Hears, We Know That We Have

Mark 11:22 (NASB) : *And Jesus answered saying to them, “Have faith in God.*

2 Corinthians 5:7 (NASB) : *for we walk by faith, not by sight-*

*“And this is the assurance which we are having toward Him, that if we keep on asking anything for ourselves, [which is] according to His will, He hears us. [and keeps on hearing] And if we know with an absolute knowledge that He hears us, whatever we are asking for ourselves, we know with an absolute knowledge that we have the things, which we have asked from Him.”*

(Wuest, K. S. (1997, c 1961). *The New Testament: An expanded translation*)

When you say, “Amen”

- it is a confession of faith
- you are saying, “I’m committed”
- you are saying, “I believe it”
- you are saying, “He heard me”
- you are saying, “I have it”
- you are saying, “It’s done”
- you are saying, “I trust You”
- you are saying, “Jesus!”
- you are saying, “I’m standing”
- you are saying, “He is faithful”
- you are saying, “I’m established”

Acts 16:30–31 (NASB) : *and after he brought them out, he said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” 31They said, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.”*