

## Theology Simply Explained — CC114 “The Third Petition”

**Pastor walks his children through Children’s Catechism question 114—especially explaining how the third petition concludes the first half of the Lord’s Prayer.**

Q114. What is the third petition? ***Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.***

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Sophia your catechism question this week. Children's catechism 114, which is the third petition. The answer is Thy will be done in Earth as it is in heaven. And since we'll have another question on what that teaches us, the thing to be noticed here. Is its place among the petitions of the Lord's Prayer.

Notice that the first half of the prayer. Is organized in petitions with reference to God, we pray. For his glory and his purposes, his end. Well, at first as our chief priority, That's because our purpose and our blessedness are both found in him and not in ourselves. when we come to the second half of the prayer we'll have, Petitions that are focused on us.

Give us this dare daily bread. Lead us not into temptation, forgive us. Our sins Deliver Us from Evil. Those who are out of order, but they all had the In common. The first three petitions are all with him. And to him, Hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom. Thy will.

So we learn in our prayers. Focus. First and chiefly. On the Lord himself. And this is something that, of course, is reflected in the Ten Commandments as well and the two great Commandments. First great, commandment love the Lord thy God. Second great commandment and your neighbor. First four Commandments.

Of the Ten Commandments. All dealing with love for God, and the last six. primarily love for neighbor. So, the third petition is closing out, then These prayers. Or these petitions in the prayer that relate to God himself. And, it's a little bit of a transition petition. Because it's not just the that his name would be held and that his kingdom would come.

There's things. Are true in and of himself, or would our realities that Reigning of himself. but now, as we transition to the doing of his will a lot more of the activity of the creature. Comes into view and we'll think about that. Next week, but just for this week, when we ask, what is the third petition?

And the answer is thy will be done in Earth as it is in heaven. let's remember that the third petition going with the first and the second Is teaching us even just by its place in the Lord's Prayer. Time right now to it screen. It sorry. The third petition is teaching us.

Even by its place within the Lord's Prayer. That in our praying, we should prioritize. Those petitions those requests. That praying which is focused on God himself. And his glory. So the question is, what is the third petition? And the answer is that I will be done in Earth as it is in heaven.