

Heidelberg Catechism

LORD'S DAY 46

Question 120. Why hath Christ commanded us to address God thus: "Our Father"?

Answer. That immediately, in the very beginning of our prayer, he might excite in us a childlike reverence for, and confidence in God, which are the foundation of our prayer: namely, that God is become our Father in Christ, [a] and will much less deny us what we ask of him in true faith, than our parents [b] will refuse us earthly things.

Question 121. Why is it here added, "Who art in heaven"?

Answer. Lest we should form any [c] earthly conceptions of God's heavenly majesty, and that we [d] may expect from his almighty power all things necessary for soul and body.

[a]: Mat. 6:9

[b]: Mat. 7:9,10,11; Luke 11:11; Isa. 49:15

[c]: Jer. 23:24

[d]: Acts 17:24; Rom. 10:12

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Vocabulary

Please define the following words/terms in the context of the Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 46:

Address: _____

Excite : _____

Childlike : _____

Reverence : _____

Confidence : _____

Foundation : _____

Deny : _____

True Faith : _____

Name : _____

Earthly things : _____

Heaven : _____

Form : _____

Earthly conceptions : _____

Expect : _____

Almighty power : _____

Necessary : _____

Soul : _____

Body : _____

Name : _____

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Scripture Reading/Comprehension

Please read the following Bible passages and answer the questions:

1. Mat. 6:9

Is God really our father? How is this possible? Where is he now?
Please explain.

2. Mat. 7:9,10,11

Does this mean that God will grant to you whatever you ask? Please explain.

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3. Rom. 10:12

What do you think this verse means? Please write down some of your important observations.
