**Confirmation Homework Assignment 16**  
The Lord's Prayer, Introduction  
Catechism Questions 230-249

You will need your Small Catechism to do this assignment. In this assignment, we will cover Questions 230-249, so be sure to look for your answers in that part of the Catechism (as well as any Bible verses that get referenced).

1. What is prayer?

2. How does God answer prayer?

3. For whom should we pray?

4. For what does Jesus teach us to pray in the seven petitions (requests) of the Lord's Prayer?

In the first three,

In the last four,

*For questions 5-7, read the Parable of the Lost Son in* ***Luke 15:11-32****, then answer the questions.*

5. In the Parable of the Lost Son, what was the lost son doing before he finally realized he needed to return to his father?

6. How did the lost son hope to repay his father for what he had done?

7. What did the father do for him instead?

8. How does calling God "Our Father" shape our prayers?

**Memory Work:** The Lord's Prayer, plus its Introduction and the explanation thereof [See Back]

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come;

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever, amen.

The Lord's Prayer, Introduction: Our Father who art in heaven.

*What does this mean?*

With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.