



# Fresh Perspectives on a Familiar Prayer

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A SERIES ON THE LORD'S PRAYER IN MATTHEW 6:5–15

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The Context of the Lord's Prayer  
(Matthew 6:5–8)

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The Content of the Lord's Prayer  
— Part Two (Matthew 6:11–13)

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(Matthew 6:14–15)

# The Sermon on the Mount:

## *A Sermon about the People of the Kingdom*

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### The 9 Beatitudes of the Kingdom People (5:3–12)

- The poor in spirit (5:3)
- Those who mourn (5:4)
- The meek (5:5)
- Those who crave righteousness (5:6)
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- The pure in heart (5:8)
- The peacemakers (5:9)
- The persecuted (5:10–12)

### The Task of the Kingdom People (5:13–7:12)

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- 4 Pillars (5:17–7:12)
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  - Jesus and the Currency of the Kingdom (6:22–34)
  - Jesus and the Golden Rule of Relationships in the Kingdom (7:1–12)

### The Warnings for the Kingdom People (7:13–27)

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    - The practice of heavenly spirituality in giving (6:2–4)
    - **The practice of heavenly spirituality in prayer (6:5–15)**
    - The practice of heavenly spirituality in fasting (6:16–18)
    - The practice of heavenly spirituality to reap heavenly rewards (6:19–21)
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# The **Content** of the Lord's Prayer in the Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 6:9–10)

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**Therefore, pray in this manner:**

**Our Father, who is in heaven, let your name be sanctified.**

**Let your kingdom come.**

**Let your will be done as in heaven also on earth.**

# Biblical Idea in Matthew 6:9– 10

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JESUS  
PRESCRIBED A  
MODEL FOR  
PRAYER THAT  
BEGAN WITH GOD  
THE FATHER.



# Differences Between Kingdom People and Earthly People

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## A Different Father

- "Father who is in heaven"
- "Heavenly Father"
- "Father who is in secret"

## A Different Righteousness

- One that surpasses that of the Scribes and Pharisees
- One that is in secret
- One that is consistent with the spirit of the law

## A Different Reward

- Not a public reward
- But a reward in secret (i.e., in heaven)

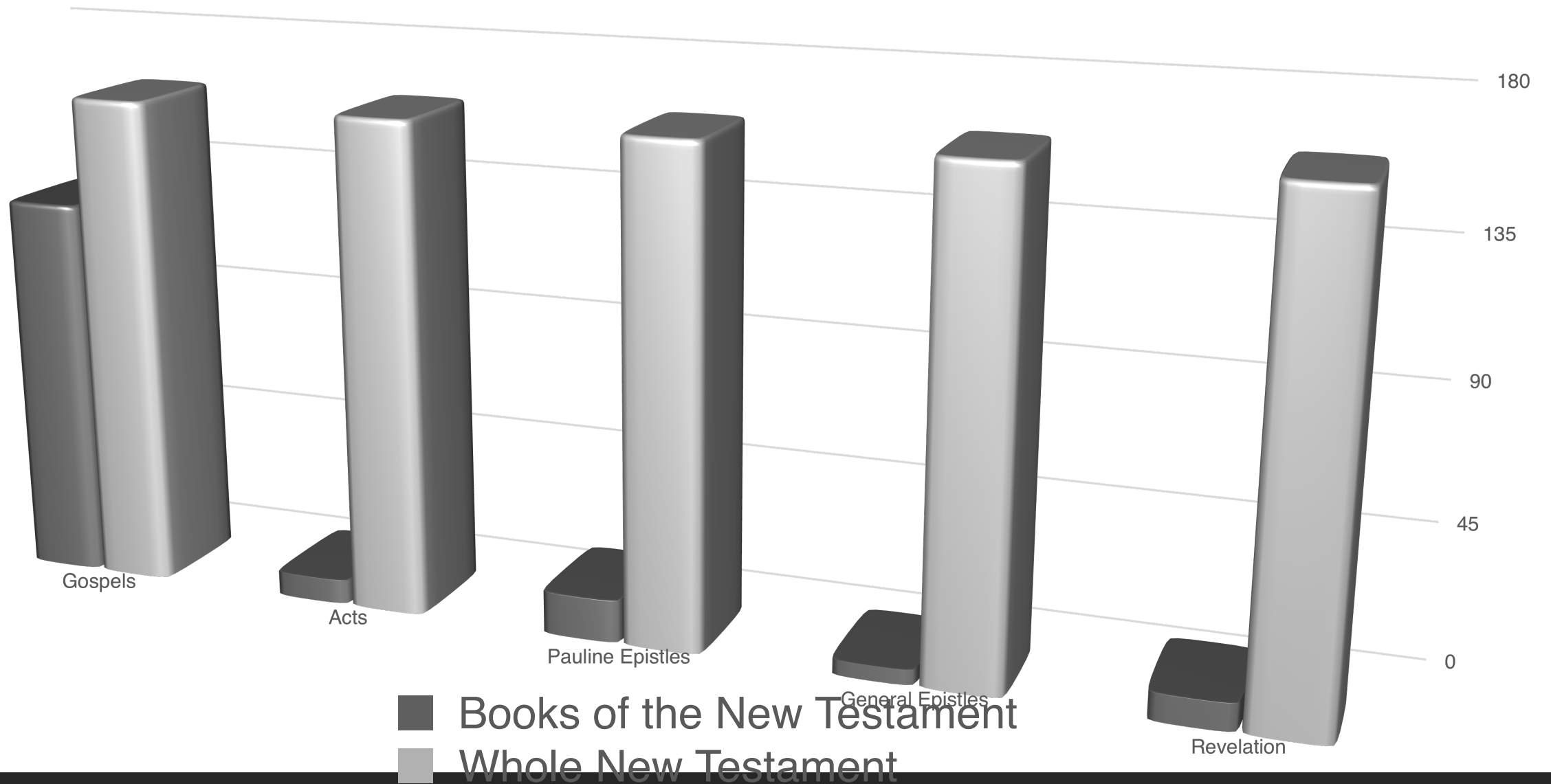
# Jonathan Pennington in *Heaven and Earth*

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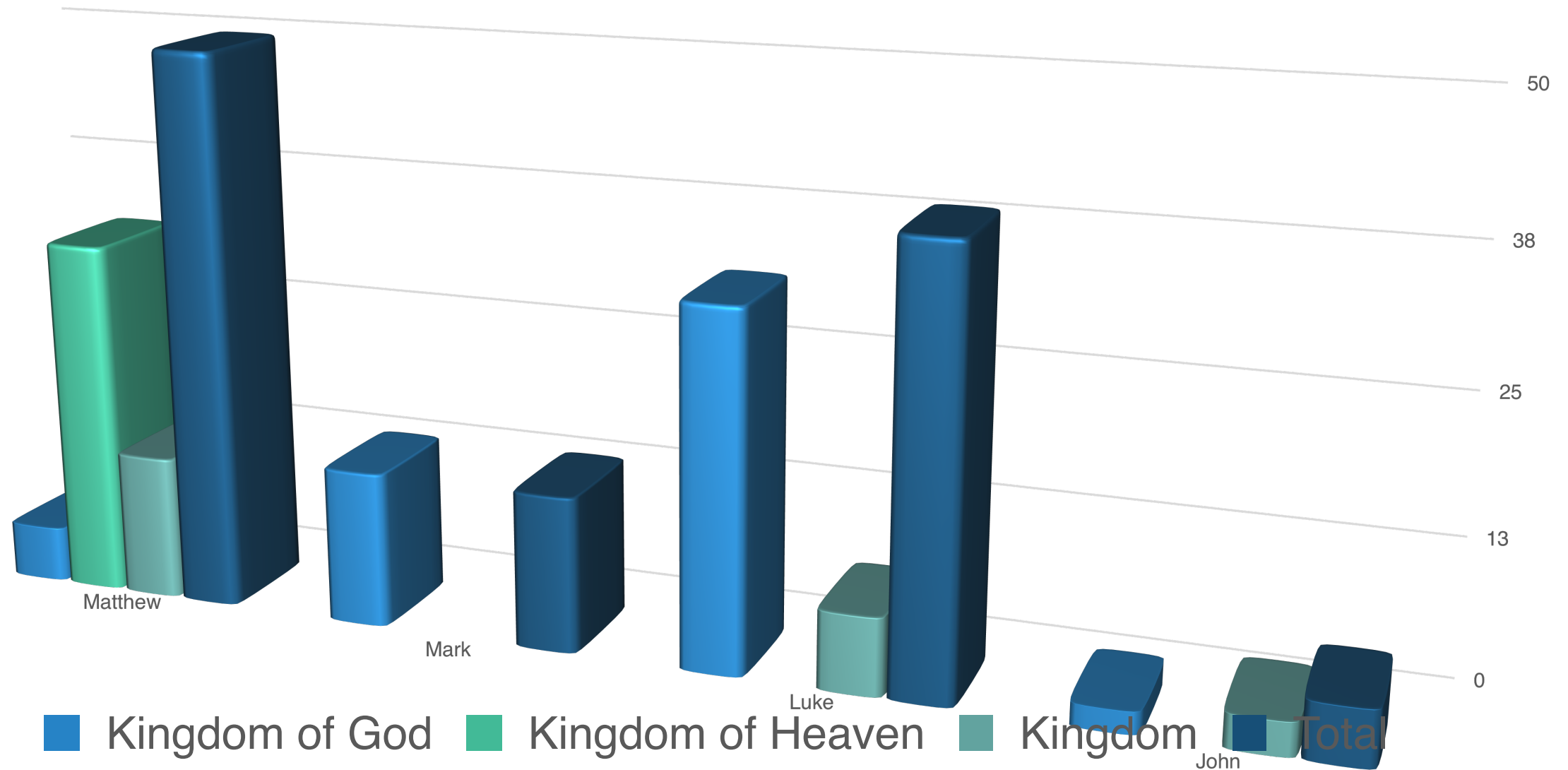
”Jesus’ disciples are to pray for God’s Name to be revered, his purposes to be accomplished, and his kingdom to come—all things which are realities in the heavenly realm but need yet to happen fully in the earthly realm” (318).



# Βασιλεία "Kingdom" in the New Testament



# Direct References to God's Kingdom in the Gospels



# God's Kingdom: De-revolutionizing the Jews

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How would the Jews of Jesus' day have received his message about God's Kingdom?

*Jesus' teaching about the heavenly nature of God's kingdom would de-revolutionize believing Jews who sought to enter it.*

# God's Kingdom: Humbling the Gentiles

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How would the Gentiles of Jesus' day have received his message about God's Kingdom?

*Jesus' teaching about the heavenly nature of God's kingdom would humble the earthly claims of believing Gentiles who sought to enter it.*

# God's Kingdom: What is it?

The Spiritual Nature of God's Kingdom

*It is heavenly, not earthly.*

The Spatial Nature of God's Kingdom

*It comes from heaven to earth.*



# FINDING THE TIMELESS TRUTH

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TIMELESS TENSION: THE PRESENCE OF THE  
KINGDOM OF HEAVEN ON EARTH

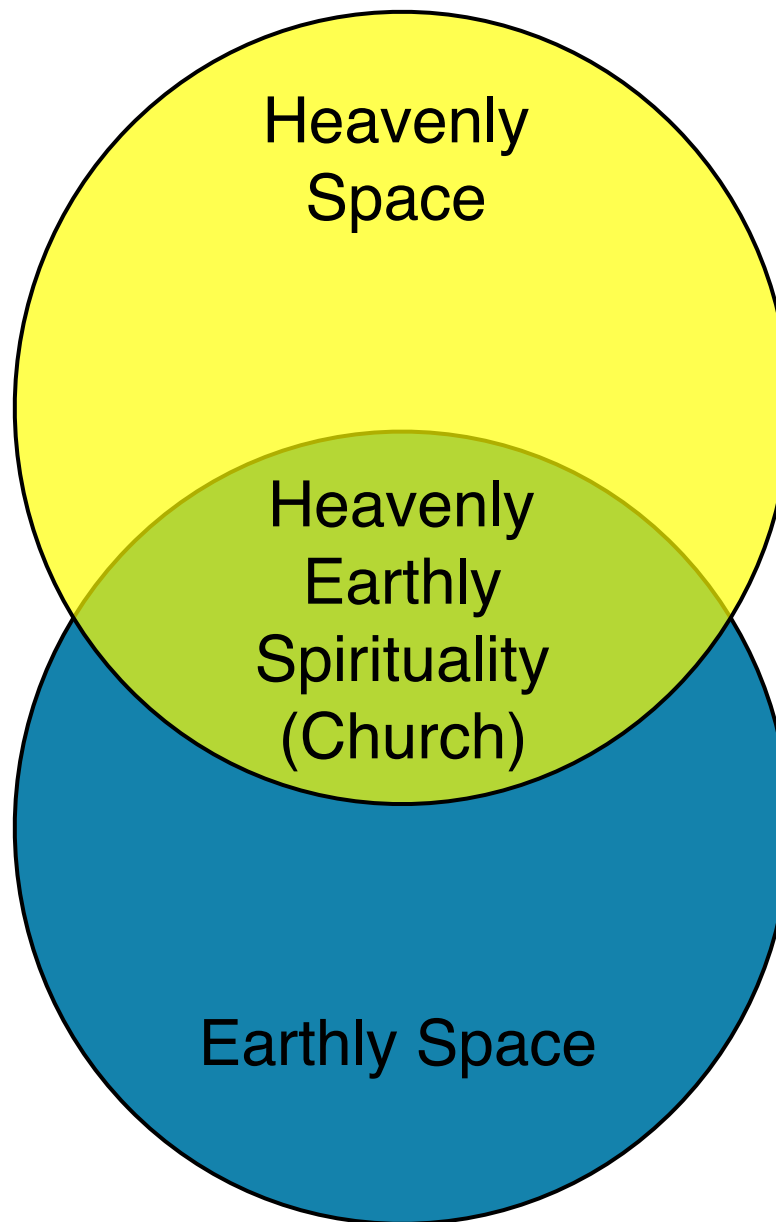
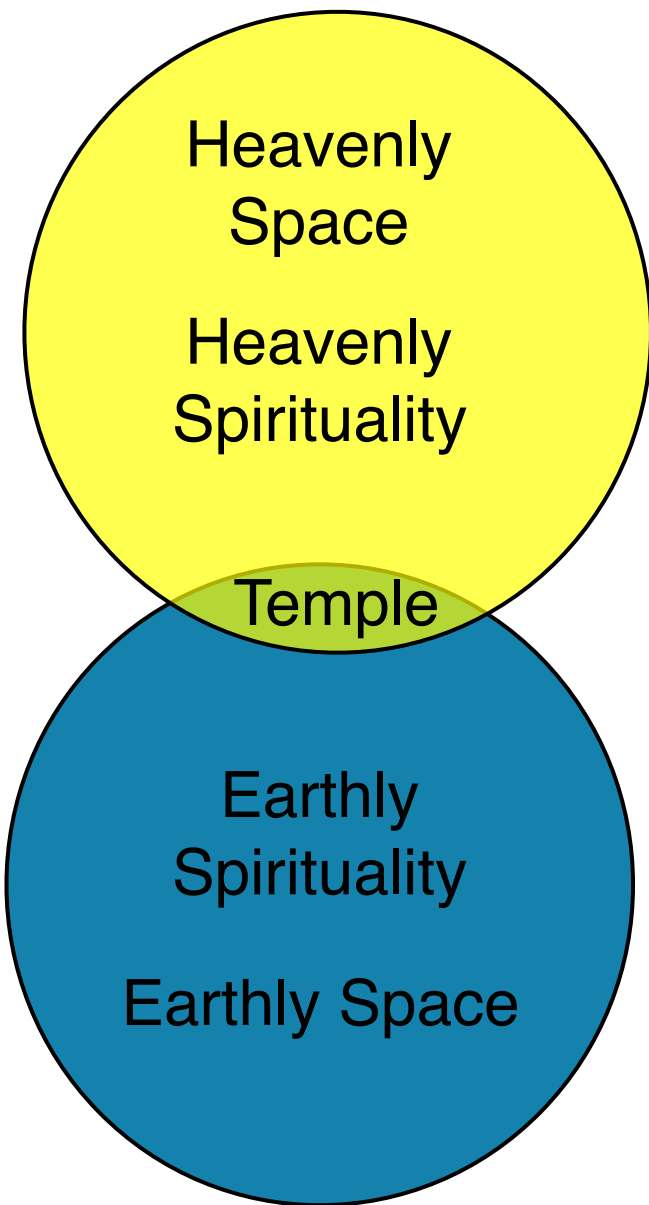
TIMELESS PURPOSE: TO PRAY SPIRITUALLY  
AND SPATIALLY

# Finding the Timeless Truth

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KINGDOM PEOPLE  
REQUEST GOD'S  
PRESENCE.







This is  
essentially  
atheistic  
naturalism or  
pantheism.



This is the  
heresy called  
Gnosticism.

It's God's will that  
you are . . .

Saved.

Spirit-filled.

Scripture-filled.

Sanctified.

Spreading the Word.

Submissive.

Sacrificial.

Suffering with Endurance.

Service.

# Today's Message

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REQUEST THE  
FATHER'S  
PRESENCE.





# REQUESTING HIS PRESENCE

	Our Father	Name	Kingdom	Will
Spiritual Prayer	Trans-formation	Trans-formation	Trans-formation	Trans-formation
Spatial Prayer	Antici-pation	Antici-pation	Antici-pation	Antici-pation



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