



## Prayers to Our Heavenly Father, the One Lord of Heaven and Earth

Lord, You have taught that having no other gods before You means not loving myself or the world above everything else. For whatever a person loves above all things is his god. Help me to have no other gods before You. Help me to love You with all my heart, all my mind, and all my strength. Amen. (see *Apocalypse Explained* 950:3; Matthew 22:37-38)

O Lord our Father in the heavens, we lift up our eyes to You from whom alone comes our help. Show us Your mercy, we pray, and forgive us our trespasses. Purify our affections that we may willingly refuse the evil and choose the good. Teach us the way of Your commandments, and lead us in it, that we may come at last to the gates of Your heavenly kingdom, and dwell in Your presence forever. Amen.

O Lord help our love for You to be like the sun when it comes out in its full strength. Amen. (see Judges 5:31)

Lord, You are always present with everyone, urging and pressing to be received. Help us to receive You by accepting that You are our God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Savior, in our hearts and with our voices. Let us be as urgent as You are, pressing on to acknowledge You. For as surely as the sun rises, You will come to us. Amen. (see *True Christian Religion* 766; Hosea 6:3)