

What's Meant By: Give Us Today...?
Catechism Questions 353-357

Memory Treasures

The 4th Petition – Give us today our daily bread. *What does this mean?* God surely gives daily bread without our asking, even to all the wicked, but we pray in this petition that he would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. *What, then, is meant by daily bread?* Daily bread includes everything that we need for our bodily welfare, such as food and drink, clothing and shoes, house and home, land and cattle, money and good, a godly spouse, godly children, godly workers, godly and faithful leaders, good government, good weather, peace and order, health, a good name, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

Confirmands Only *Matthew 6:31–33* – So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ 32 For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. 33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Short Answer

Does our daily bread include all of our wants or all of our needs? (Catechism Question 353)

What are some examples of the daily bread that God gives to unbelievers?
(Catechism Question 354)

How are Christians to receive our daily bread? (Catechism Questions 355-356)

What is the 4th Petition basically about? (Catechism Question 357)