

An aerial view of Prague, Czech Republic, at sunset. The Vltava River flows through the city, with the Charles Bridge in the foreground. The city is filled with historic buildings, including a prominent church with a green dome. The sky is filled with soft, golden light from the setting sun.

**WELCOME**  
to the  
**International Baptist Church**  
of Prague

**SUNDAY 10 JANUARY 2021**

# IBCP Church Motto 2021

**“The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;**

*his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.”*

-Lamentations 3:22-23





# THE LORD'S PRAYER

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**JOHN STOTT**  
**1921-2011**

**The essential difference [about] Christian praying lies in the kind of God we pray to... Jesus told us to address him as (literally) 'our Father in the heavens'.**

## MATTHEW 6:5-15

<sup>5</sup> And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full.

<sup>6</sup> But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

<sup>7</sup> And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

<sup>9</sup> This, then, is how you should pray:

## MATTHEW 6:5-15

'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

<sup>10</sup> your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup> Give us today our daily bread.

<sup>12</sup> Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

<sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.'

<sup>14</sup> For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. <sup>15</sup> But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

## 1. FATHER is PERSONAL

James 4:8

Come near to God, and he will come near to you.

Matthew 6:6,8,9,14,15

“ **your Father**, who is unseen... **your Father** who sees  
...**your Father** knows... **Our Father** in heaven...  
**your heavenly Father**... **your Father**...

Exodus 4:22-23

This is what the Lord says, ‘Israel is my first-born son, and I told you, ‘Let my son go, so that he may worship me.’

# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

## 1. FATHER is PERSONAL

But to ALL who did receive HIM, who believed in HIS name, HE GAVE the right to become children of GOD, who were born, NOT of blood NOR of the will of the flesh NOR of the will of man, BUT OF GOD

John 1:12-13

*How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!*

*1 John 3:1*

Romans 8:16


*The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.*



# **“OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”**

## **2. FATHER is HEAVENLY 6:9, 14**

**Our  
Father  
in  
heaven**



**"Let us then approach  
the throne of grace with  
confidence, so that we may  
receive mercy and find grace  
to help us in our time of need!"**

**Hebrews 4:16**

**#dailyverse**

# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

## 2. FATHER is HEAVENLY 6:9, 14

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

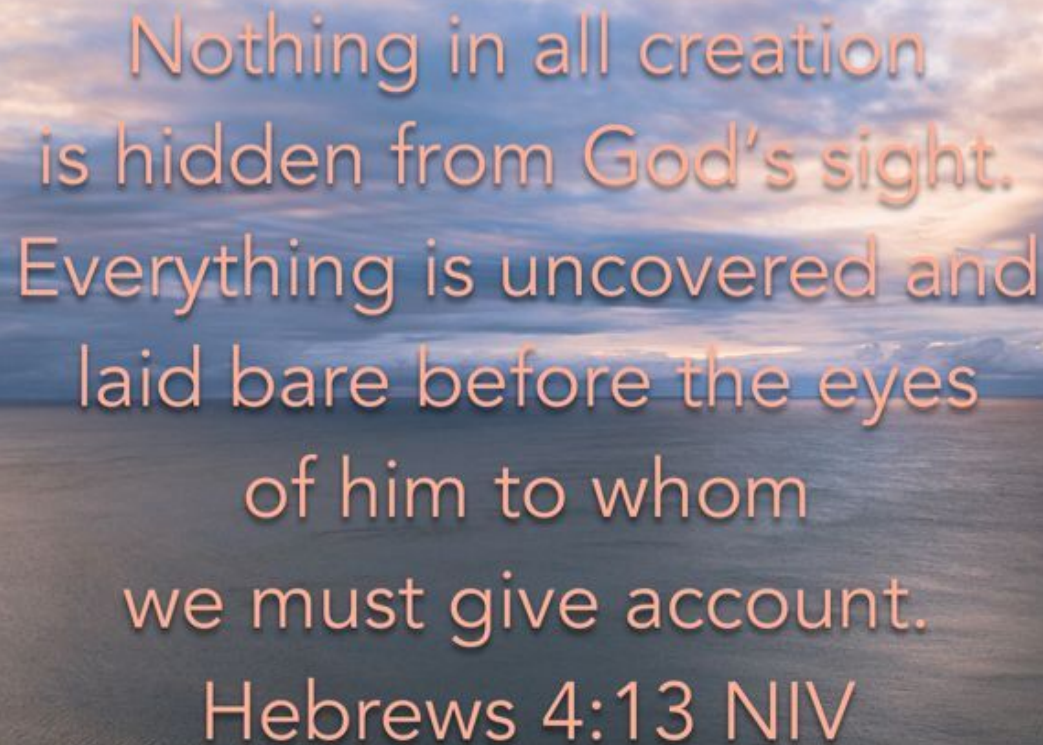
**Ephesians 3:20-21**

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# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

## 3. FATHER SEES 6:6



Nothing in all creation  
is hidden from God's sight.  
Everything is uncovered and  
laid bare before the eyes  
of him to whom  
we must give account.  
Hebrews 4:13 NIV

# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

## 3. FATHER SEES 6:6



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go into your room,  
close the door and  
pray to your Father,  
who is unseen.  
Then your Father,  
who sees what is  
done in secret, will  
reward you.**

- Matthew 6:6 -

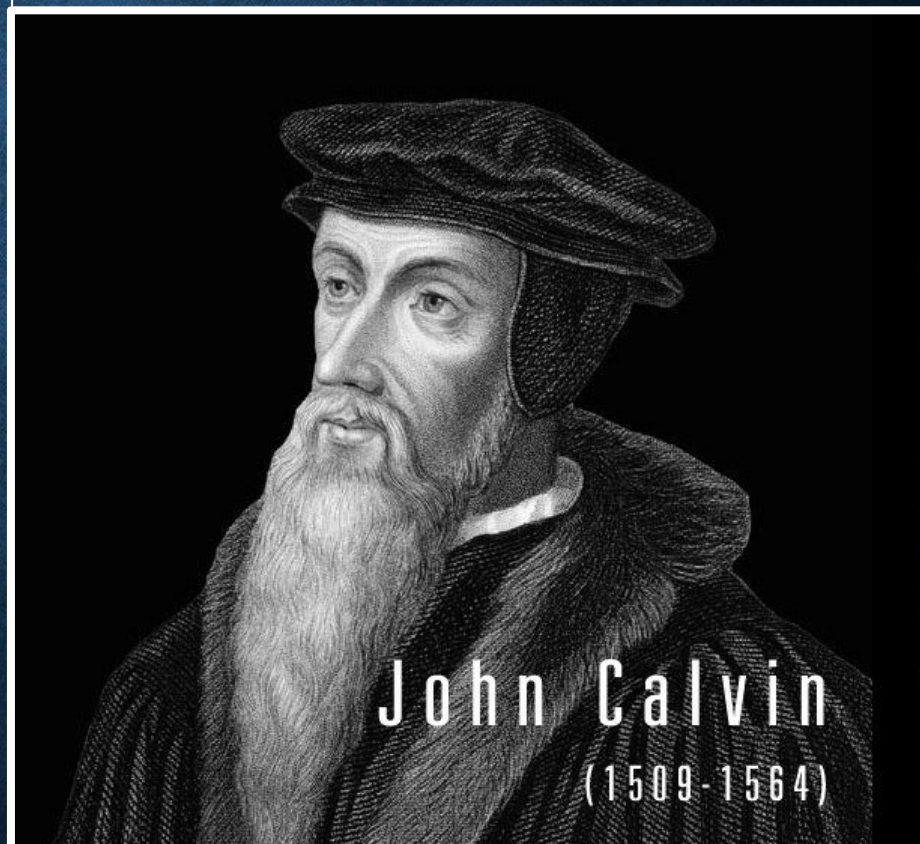
# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

## 4. FATHER KNOWS – Matthew 6:8

“...your Father knows what you need before you ask him”.

"Believers do not pray with the view of informing God about things unknown to him, or of exciting him to do his duty, or of urging him as though he were reluctant.

On the contrary, they pray in order that they may arouse themselves to seek him... exercise their faith in meditating on his promises... relieve themselves from their anxieties..."



# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

## 4. FATHER KNOWS

### Matthew 7:11 (NIV)

**<sup>11</sup> If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!**

# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

## 5. FATHER FORGIVES

“If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you.

Matthew 6:14



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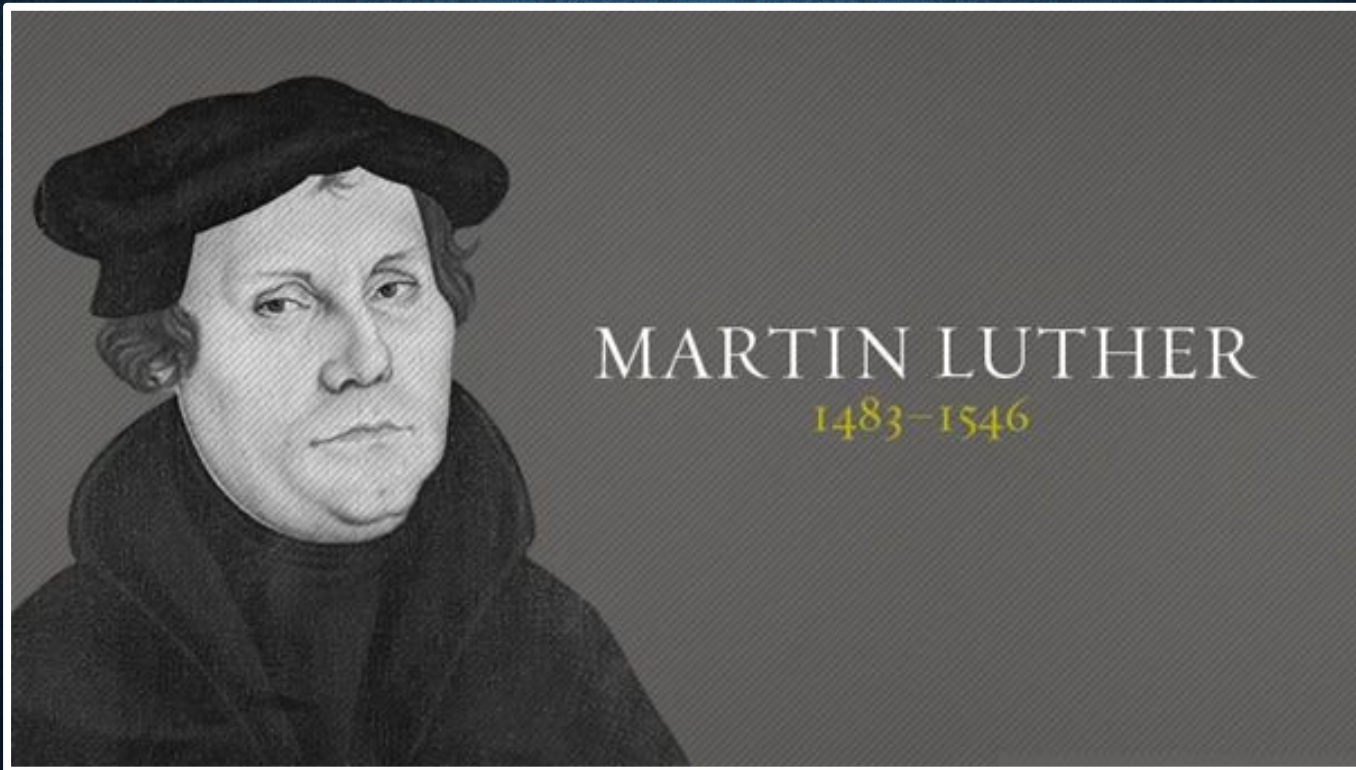
Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

Colossians 3:13



## “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

"Before I had children of my own, I used to think, 'God **will not** forget me'; but when I became a father I learned something more - God **cannot** forget me."



# “OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN”

But Zion said, “The Lord has forsaken me,  
the LORD has forgotten me”.

Can a mother forget the baby at her breast  
and have no compassion the child she has borne ?

Though she may forget , **I WILL NOT FORGET YOU.**

See, I have engraved you  
in the palms of my hands ;

Isa 49:14-16

Though my father and mother forsake me, the LORD  
will receive me. Psalms 27:10





To  
God  
be the Glory!