



Pamagat: The Doxology (meaning “praise or glory,” from Medieval Latin and Ecclesiastical Greek “*doxologia*”)

Bible Text: Matt. 6:13b “For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.”

Pagsasalin: Sapagkat iyo ang kaharian, ang kapangyarihan, at ang kaluwalhatian, magpakailanman. Amen.

Panimula:

1. The conclusion of the Model Prayer in Matt. 6 inspires trust and reminds us again about the spiritual outlook of prayer.
2. Modern Translations (in keeping with the critical texts): (ESV; NIV; NASB) remove this portion.
3. This is not only a policy for prayer but for life.

I. Everything is Under God’s Authority and Serves His Pleasure

- A. “Thine is the kingdom” means that He is the Owner.
- B. Life is not about us; it is about Him. (Prayer helps us to re-orient ourselves “God-ward.”)
- C. Our decisions and actions focus on God – is this pleasing to Him? Will He be glorified in this?

II. God Can Do Anything

- A. “and the power”
- B. Nothing is impossible with God.
- C. We pray to an Almighty God – we seek His divine intervention and we believe that He can answer our prayers.

III. God’s Glory is the Purpose

- A. We pray for God to be glorified.
- B. How far removed are our prayers from His glory?
- C. We surrender or yield ourselves to His glory.
- D. We take no credit for God’s workings and dealings and answers but rather we acknowledge Him.
- E. Whatever our need is we must never displace or minimize His glory.

IV. His Kingdom, and Power, and Glory is For Ever

- A. No earthly kingdom or government lasts for ever.
- B. BUT God’s Kingdom will!
- C. His power is not diminished – nor will it ever be diminished.
- D. Nothing of earth will last eternally BUT he that doeth the will of God – (1 Jn. 2:17)
- E. This helps us to pray on! No matter how dark this present evil world gets – our future is bright.

V. The Concluding Note: “AMEN”

- A. Without a concluding note, the “music” of prayer would be without balance and obscure.
- B. But more than that...saying amen is saying “Let it be so” or “Let it stand.”
- C. We are saying that we are in full alignment with God, with His plan and purpose.
- D. It is the expression of the saved or the redeemed soul to stand in total agreement with God’s kingdom purposes.

Katapusan:

1. Our prayers are to focus on the honor and glory of God.
2. This confirms our faith in God – He is able to answer our prayers.