

## OUR FATHER -- *Episode Two: Hallowed Be Thy Name*



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**Game Strategy** – We think we know God guys, but do we honor Him? It's the first petition Jesus teaches us in the Our Father. Empowerment to bring honor to His Father. Why must we keep the name of the Lord holy?

Be ready to take the field for this workout by completing the **Pregame Film Study**. Your contributions to the Huddle Discussion in our workout are vital to our team success. Remember we win and lose as a team!

### **Pregame Film Study**

1. View or listen to the episode referenced above.
2. Go deep with the Scripture References, Coaching Tips and Catechism Connection on page 2.
3. Reflect upon the **Huddle Up** questions below and jot down your thoughts.

**Huddle Up** – Use these questions for personal reflection to share with your team at the workout.

### **Warm-up Questions:**

1. What particular point(s) caught your attention the most in this episode?
2. What is something useful that you learned from viewing this episode that you can apply in your own life?

### **Workout Questions:**

1. Why do you think so many people in our society today reject the name of the Lord? Read John 3:19-20 and 2 Cor 4:3-4 and discuss.
2. Consider the honor we give to athletes, movie and rock stars, politicians, etc. On the other hand, how much honor and respect do we give to God? How would you rate yourself in this category?
3. Give some examples of how you hallow God's name not only by your words but also by your actions.
4. Think of the most recent times that you took God's name in vain. What caused you to do this? (Ex. Anger, etc.)
5. When you hear someone in your company take the name of God in vain, what is your reaction?
6. If our society is becoming more and more hostile to the name of the Lord and Christians in general, what should your response to this be as a man of God? (1 Cor 15:58, CCC 2148)

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**Team Workout Plan** - Watch the Kickoff, Game Plan and Red Zone video segments as a team. Break into huddles for discussion of the questions.

**Postgame Recap** - Watch the End Zone video segment as a team. Take note of the tips from the CTG team:

1. Examine your heart. Stand up and honor the Lord and His Name.
2. Commit to not use the Lord's name in vain. Read CCC 2666.
3. Reflect on your blessings and how you have hurt Him.

Complete your **Personal Action Item**. 

### **Scripture References**

Exodus 20:7	John 3:19-20
Proverbs 1:7	2 Cor 4:3-4
Romans 1:16-19	1 Cor 15:58

### **Coaching Tips**

The first of seven petitions – “hallowed be Your Name” means to have zeal for the honor of God’s holy name.

Don't say "Hallowed be Thy Name" if you invoke God with your lips, but your heart is far from Him.

Blasphemy is contrary to the respect due God and his holy name. It is in itself a grave sin. CCC 2148

It is characteristic of love to think first of the one whom we love. CCC 2804

“If not me, then who? If not now, then when?” - *Danny Abramowicz*

### **Catechism Connection**

**2807** The term “to hallow” is to be understood here not primarily in its causative sense (only God hallows, makes holy), but above all in an evaluative sense: to recognize as holy, to treat in a holy way. And so, in adoration, this invocation is sometimes understood as praise and thanksgiving. But this petition is here taught to us by Jesus as an optative: a petition, a desire, and an expectation in which God and man are involved. Beginning with this first petition to our Father, we are immersed in the innermost mystery of his Godhead and the drama of the salvation of our humanity. Asking the Father that his name be made holy draws us into his plan of loving kindness for the fullness of time, “according to his purpose which he set forth in Christ,” that we might “be holy and blameless before him in love.”

**2808** In the decisive moments of his economy God reveals his name, but he does so by accomplishing his work. This work, then, is realized for us and in us only if his name is hallowed by us and in us.

**2815** This petition embodies all the others. Like the six petitions that follow, it is fulfilled by *the prayer of Christ*. Prayer to our Father is our prayer, if it is prayed *in the name* of Jesus. In his priestly prayer, Jesus asks: “Holy Father, protect in your name those whom you have given me.”

See Also: **2809-2814**

### **Personal Action Item**

Develop a plan of action based upon our prayer and discussion related to the topic. How does the Lord want this topic applied in your life? Keep it simple – one or two action items.

*I commit to becoming spiritually fit by...*