

MEMORIAL – 2019-21)

Subject: *Contemporary Lord’s Prayer - a simple change to make it ‘more contemporary’ and flow together more freely*

Floor Committee #11

WHEREAS 1) The ‘contemporary’ Lord’s Prayer used in *Christian Worship* has as its fourth word the antiquated word “hallowed”; and

WHEREAS 2) This word can be replaced with a simple definition: kept holy; and

WHEREAS 3) In keeping with the Second and Third Petitions it would be good to put the emphasis on God’s name rather than the use of it; and

WHEREAS 4) The First Petition would then read “your name be kept holy”; and

WHEREAS 5) This change would also make it more obvious that the phrase “on earth as in heaven” relates to the First and Second Petitions as well as the third; therefore be it

Resolved, a) That the Hymnal Committee be urged to consider these changes so that the contemporary Lord’s Prayer in the new hymnal will read as follows;

Our Father in heaven,
your name be kept holy,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

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