

Words of Wisdom: You Don't Say!

Don't say "Father"
unless you behave like a son or daughter.

Don't say "Our"
if you live isolated in your selfishness.

Don't say "Who Art in Heaven"
if you are thinking only of worldly things.

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

Don't say "Thy Kingdom come"
if you confuse the material and spiritual kingdom.

Don't say "Thy Will be done"
if you don't accept what is painful.

Don't say "Give us this day our daily bread"
if you have no care for the people who are hungry.

Don't say "Forgive us our trespasses"
if you have anger towards your brother.

Don't say "Lead us not into temptation"
if you do not avoid the occasions of sin.

Don't say "Deliver us from evil"
if you do not do something to combat evil.

Don't say "Amen"
if you don't take sincerely the words of the Our Father.

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