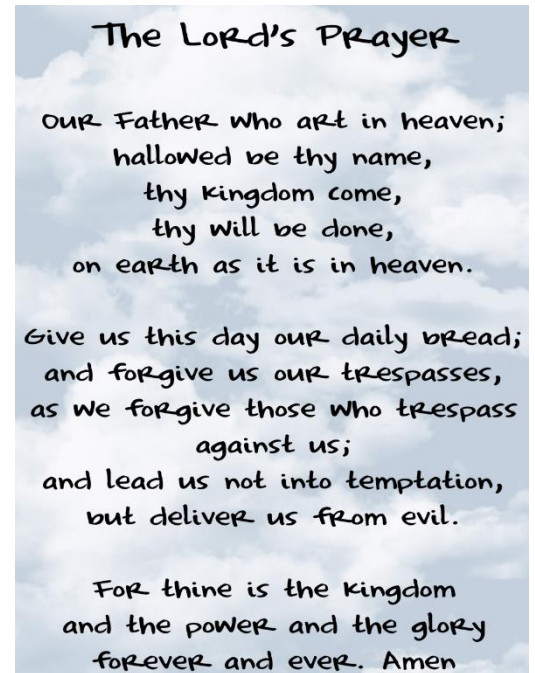


## Three persons of the Trinity

### God the father

Jesus taught his followers to refer to God as the Father. This refers to the omnipotent, omniscient part of God, who created the world. Christians also believe that it shows the caring, personal relationship between humans and God, like that of a father and child. This represents God's kindness and immanence. The Lord's Prayer represents God the Father showing more of His characteristics. This can be found in the image.



### God the Son

Christians believe Jesus is the Son of God. For Christians, he is God in human form. This belief is known as the incarnation (the way in which God becomes 'flesh' or human in the form of Jesus). Christians believe that through becoming human as Jesus, God revealed something of himself to the world.

### God the Holy Spirit

Christians believe that after his resurrection Jesus rose up to heaven. They believe that God then sent the Holy Spirit or 'Paraclete' into the world. Christians believe the Holy Spirit guides Christians to live their lives in the best possible way. The Holy Spirit is able to give comfort, courage, inspiration and guidance to all Christians, and helps people to believe in Jesus and strengthen their faith. It also helps Christians to understand and interpret the Bible as the word of God. Christians believe the Holy Spirit intervenes in the word in a miraculous way and is present during worship. In special church services, such as baptism and marriage, Christians believe they are really in the presence of the Holy Spirit.



Charismatic Christians, such as Pentecostals, believe the Holy Spirit empowers people to speak 'in tongues'. This type of worship may be very lively as people feel they are directly moved by the spirit of God.