

# NORTH HILLS NOTES

## CONNECTING WITH GOD THE LORD'S PRAYER

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*"... Listen, all you people... The Lord will stay with you as long as you stay with him! If you seek him, you will find him. But if you abandon him, he will abandon you... For a long time, Israel had been without the true God... and without God's law. But in their distress they turned to the Lord and sought him and he was found by them."*

2 Chronicles 15:2-5 (NLT)

1st antidote to trouble or distress: CONNECT TO GOD.

*"This is how you should pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name."*  
Matthew 6:9 (NIV)

God is a PERSON not a POWER.

We can connect with God BECAUSE...

### 1. HE IS A CARING FATHER.

*"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who honor Him..."*  
Psalms.103:13 (NIV)

*"Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you!"* 1 Peter 5:7 (NIV)

### 2. HE IS A CONSISTENT FATHER.

*"Every good and perfect gift ... is from the Father ... who does not change like shifting shadows."*  
James 1:17 (NIV)

*"Even if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown Himself."*  
2 Timothy 2:13 (NIV)

*"...God will never go back on his promises."* Romans 11:29 (LB)

### 3. HE IS A CLOSE FATHER.

*"God did this so people would ... reach out for Him and find Him, since He is not far from each of us."*  
Acts 17:27 (NIV)

- He is never too busy for me.

*"The Lord is near to all who call on him..."*  
Psalms 145:18 (NIV)

- He loves to meet my needs.

*"If you...know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!"*  
Matthew 7:11 (NIV)

- He is sympathetic to my hurts.

*"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."*  
Psalms 34:18 (NIV)

### 4. HE IS A COMPETENT FATHER.

*"For nothing is impossible with God."*  
Luke 1:37 (NIV)

*"(God) is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of – infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes!"*

Ephesians 3:20 (LB)

*"God is on one side and all the people on the other side, and Christ Jesus, himself man, is between them to bring them together, by giving his life for all mankind."*  
1 Timothy 2:5-6 (LB)

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