

## Chapter 16: Jesus Spoke to His Father

When Jesus speaks to His Father as His Father, He does not close with “Amen”. This does not mean that we should not say, “Amen”. It only shows that Jesus did not have to say “amen” as Jesus knew His prayer would not have to have a “so be it” at the end. Any prayer from Him to His Father He knew would be heard. I think, perhaps, the “amens” are for us to enforce just what we just said. Jesus’ words did not need any enforcing. Furthermore, Jesus spoke to his Father.

In the Gospels, the following verses are from the King James Version.

### **Matthew:**

11:25 – At that time Jesus answered and said, “I thank thee, O Father, Lord of Heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.”

26:39 – “O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt.”

26:42 – He went away again the second time and prayed, saying, “O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.”

### **Mark:**

14:36 – “Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee. Take away this cup from me, nevertheless, not what I will, but what thou wilt.”

### **Luke:**

10:21 – “I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight.”

22:42 – “Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me; nevertheless, not my will, but thine, be done.”

23:34 – “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.

23:46 – “Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.”

*It is interesting that Jesus commanded His own spirit to go to His Father. He had said before that He had the power to lay down His life and the power to take it up again.*

### **John:**

11:41,42 (After Lazarus is raised) “Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. And I knew that thou hearest me always, but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.”

12:28 – “Father, glorify thy name.”

17: The entire chapter – (Beginning of Jesus speaking to God) “Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee. ... (End of prayer)

And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it, that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

### **Matthew 6:9 and Luke 11:2**

When Jesus taught how to pray, He said, “Our Father”. He also closed with an “amen”. This was the first time that others could address God as “Our Father”.