



WORD OF LIFE CHURCH FORMATION SCHOOL

Opening Prayers from the Morning Liturgy

The following is the opening prayers that you are familiar with from Pastor Brian's morning liturgy of prayer.

We will pray the words in bold together.

Before we get to those prayers we will take three deep breaths and make three confessions. The first confession "I am a finite creature" is an acknowledgment that we will not live forever, at least not in this life. The second confession "I am a dependent creature" reminds us that we cannot do life on our own. We need one another. The final confession "I am a hybrid creature" speaks of our creation from the dust of the earth and the breath of heaven.

Let's pray.

Breathe in. Breathe out. I am a finite creature.

Breathe in. Breathe out. I am a dependent creature.

Breathe in. Breathe out. I am a hybrid creature.

Eternal God, creator of heaven and earth, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, God of Israel, God and Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, true and living God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, **have mercy and hear our prayer.**

O Lord, open our lips, and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen. Hallelujah.

O God, make speed to save us. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning is now, and will be forever. Amen. Hallelujah.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. **Amen.**