## COR@9 – April 9 "Give Us Today Our Daily Bread"

- I. The Problem with Freezers
- II. Needy Creatures
  - A. Our Neediness

"We are creatures before we are Christians." (Graham Cole)

"It is not our prayer which draws Jesus into our hearts. Nor is it our prayer which moves Jesus to come in to us. All He needs is access. . . . To pray is nothing more involved than to let Jesus into our needs. . . . To pray is to let Jesus glorify His name in the midst of our needs. . . . And that requires no strength. It is only a question of our wills. Will we give Jesus access to our needs?" (Hallesby, *Prayer*, 14-15)

"Listen, my friend! Your helplessness is your best prayer. It calls from your heart to the heart of God with greater effect than all your uttered pleas. He hears it from the very moment that you are seized with helplessness, and He becomes actively engaged at once in hearing and answering the prayer of your helplessness." (Hallesby, *Prayer*, 14-15)

- B. The Wisdom of the Lord's Prayer
- III. Finite Creatures
  - A. The Reality of Our Finiteness
  - B. Focusing on *This* Day
  - C. Longing for *That* Day

John 6:25-59 – The Bread of Life Luke 22:14-22 – The Bread Broken for Us Rev 19:6-9 – The Marriage Feast of the Lamb

IV. Connected Creatures

Hallesby, O. Prayer. Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress, 1994. (Originally published in Swedish in 1931.)