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CHANGING A COMMA

The Bible publication houses in England have made some little change of the text of the Scriptures in the shifting of a comma, which occurs in the Lord's prayer, says the Ohio State Journal. The text as it now reads, "Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven," which is being changed so the comma appears after the word done, so that the sentence reads, "Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven."

Of course this transition of the comma does not change the sense of the sentence, but it does seem to emphasize the duty of making a heaven in earth. But even this change, as slight as it is, would hardly be justified if the Greek original did not have the comma after done.

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