DAILY PRAYER GUIDE

for PRAYING SCRIPTURE



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FOREWORD

Dear friend,

This life-changing resource from Dr. Allan Brown and Shepherds Global Classroom has helped thousands of Christ-followers cultivate a more biblical, more thoughtful, and more satisfying prayer life. This practical tool will help you find words to pray the prayer Jesus taught us to pray, so that you can more effectively pray for yourself, your family, your church, and our world. Many of you will find, as Becky and I and countless others have, that this is a tool you pick up on a daily basis, as you pursue communion with God in prayer.

As you pray, would you remember to include Shepherds Global Classroom in your prayers? It would mean so much to our entire team.

SGC ministers to underserved Christian leaders worldwide. 85% of pastors and Christian leaders in the majority world are untrained or under-trained for their place of ministry. SGC exists to equip the body of Christ by providing a training curriculum for rising Christian leaders around the world... for FREE! Our Christ-centered and culturally adaptable curriculum facilitates indigenous theological training ministries in any country and context. By the grace of God, homes, sanctuaries, cafés, and even shade trees are being turned into classrooms where underserved

Christian leaders are being discipled and sent into the harvest.

Here are three specific ways you can pray for Shepherds Global Classroom:

- Pray for me and the entire SGC team. We need wisdom and strength for serving some of the most precious, yet underprivileged servants of God around the world.
- 2. Pray for our 30+ ongoing translation projects. Translating 20 courses into 30 of the world's top languages is a challenging and costly undertaking, but it provides limitless opportunities to train over two-thirds of the world's underserved Christian leaders. Pray for every translation team and for the provision needed for each language project.
- 3. Pray for open hearts and open doors. We're constantly asking the Holy Spirit to lead us to those ministries which need and desire the training tools we offer.

We know you will enjoy this wonderful resource. Perhaps while praying, the Spirit will lead you to partner with SGC in a tangible way. You may do so by scanning the QR code on the last page.

Grace to you,

Tim Keep President, Shepherds Global Classroom

PRAYING SCRIPTURE

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever" (Matthew 6:9-13).

Many godly people throughout history have used written prayers in their daily time with the Lord. The prayers in this particular prayer guide follow the sequence Jesus gave us in his model prayer. They are offered as examples of how to take God's Word and use it for personal prayer.

I think we can safely say that no prayer more accurately reflects the will of God than those which use the language which God himself gives us. No request is more sure to be granted than that which expresses what God himself has promised to fulfill. No petition is more sure to be answered than that which pleads for what God already commands.

"The words of the LORD are pure words, like silver refined in a furnace on the ground, purified seven times" (Psalm 12:6). Learn to use his words in your prayers. Pray the promises and commands of scripture. God assures us that when we pray according to his will, he hears us and will answer our prayers (1 John 5:14-15).¹

Using This Prayer Guide

This book is organized by the seven days of each week. Each day's prayer guide is divided into six major sections with nine subcategories based on the Lord's Prayer:

1. Worship/Adoration

- "Our Father" Our Relationship with God
- "In Heaven" God's Royalty
- "Hallowed Be Your Name" God's Reputation

2. Intercession

- "Your Kingdom Come" God's Reign
- "Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" - God's Rule

Terry L. Johnson. "Leading in Public Prayer," Westminster Theological Journal 60:2 (Fall, 1998)

3. Supplication

 "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" -God's Resources for Us

4. Confession/Reconciliation

 "And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors" - Reconciliation with God

5. Spiritual Warfare

 "And Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil" - God's Protection

6. Praise and Thanksgiving

 "For Yours Is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Forever" - Praise to God

Spending Time with the Lord

How much time would you like to spend with the Lord? If you meditate and pray for 1 minute from each of the nine sub-categories, that would be 9 minutes. 2 minutes from each category would be 18 minutes. 3 minutes spent on each category would be 27 minutes. Depending on the amount of time you have available, it is easy to spend a refreshing, profitable, and enjoyable 15-30 minutes or more nurturing your relationship with God each day.

How much time you spend in prayer is up to you and the Holy Spirit. The more you learn to enjoy prayer the more time you will want to spend with God. What has impressed me most by using this prayer guide is how much more meaningful, enjoyable, and scriptural my prayer time has become. I hope that will be your experience too.

Do Not Rush through the Prayer Guide

This prayer guide is designed to help you learn how to use scripture as a guide for your prayer time—time spent talking with God. As you pray through this book, think about what the scripture passages are teaching about God, about us, and about loving and forgiving our fellow man. Meditate on the promises. Do not allow your prayer time to become mechanical or routine.

Fully engage your mind and heart as you pray. Ask God to help you to focus on each word with heartfelt sincerity and earnestness. Feel free to pause any time in a prayer and add your own thoughts. Learn how to pour out your heart to God (Psalm 62:8). Make it personal. Let your prayer time be a time of humbling yourself and drawing near to God (James 4:6-8). Remember, "true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him" (John 4:23). Ask God to help you to learn how to be a true worshiper.

Develop Your Own Prayer Guide

As you learn how to use the Lord's Prayer as your pattern for prayer, you may desire to develop your own prayer guide. As you read through the Bible each year, you will find verses that speak to your heart in a special way. Take those verses and turn them into prayer and praise to God.

Cultivate Your Relationship with God

View your prayer time as a means of cultivating your relationship with God. If you use scripture to shape your prayers, you will find that it will change both the way you experience God when you pray and the way you think about him. Most people do not develop a consistent, meaningful prayer life unless they have a structure. Let the Lord's Prayer provide the structure.

SUNDAY

WORSHIP/ADORATION

"Our Father" - Our Relationship with God

Dear Heavenly Father,

The Psalmist asks, "Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?" (Psalm 24:3). The answer comes back, "He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully" (Psalm 24:4). Grant that today my hands will be clean and my heart pure. May no deceit or falsehood pass from my lips.

You are a God of truth (Isaiah 65:16) and faithfulness (Deuteronomy 32:4). "Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long" (Psalm 25:5).

"Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me; let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!" (Psalm 43:3).

It is your will that I not only speak the truth, but that I am truthful in my inward being (Psalm 51:6, Psalm 15:2). Help me to be completely truthful today in a kind, loving, and considerate manner.

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer" (Psalm 19:14).

I thank you Lord Jesus, that you are from above and not of this world (John 8:23).

You are the good Shepherd who laid down your life for the sheep (John 10:11). You know your sheep and your sheep know your voice and follow you (John 10:27).

Help me as one of your sheep to listen to you and obey your voice. I desire to follow where you lead, for you always lead in paths of righteousness (Psalm 23:3).

You give eternal life to the sheep who faithfully listen to, obey, and follow you. They will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of your hand (John 10:28). Thank you for the spiritual security you provide.

I worship you, Lord Jesus, for you are the resurrection and the life; he that believes in you, though he die, yet shall he live (John 11:25).

You are the true vine, and your Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in you that does not bear fruit the Father takes away, and every branch that bears fruit the Father prunes, that it may bring forth more fruit (John 15:1-2).

Help me to see the things in my life that need pruning or changing and to not resist or run away from your loving hand, even when it hurts. Blessed Holy Spirit, thank you for lavishly pouring the love of God into my heart (Romans 5:5).

You are the heavenly gardener of my soul, working to produce fruit in me. May the spiritual fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control grow and develop in my life (Galatians 5:22-23).

Help me to remember that my body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in me, whom I have from God, and that I am not my own. I am bought with a price. Therefore I am to glorify God in my body, and in my spirit, which are God's (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).

Grant that I will glorify you in my body, by the way I dress it and use it, and in my spirit, by the way I think and express myself.

Galatians 5:25 says, "If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit." Please help me to be sensitive and obedient to your leadership.

"In Heaven" - God's Royalty

The Psalmist said, "He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty" (Psalm 91:1).

Because you are the King of kings, with infinite knowledge and power, I have no reason to fear the future.

LORD, you are "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." (Psalm 91:2).

You deliver me from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence (Psalm 91:3).

You will cover me with your pinions, and under your wings I will find refuge; your faithfulness is a shield and buckler (Psalm 91:4).

I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that you are able to guard what I have entrusted to you until the day of your appearing (2 Timothy 1:12).

"Hallowed Be Your Name" - God's Reputation

Heavenly Father, you said, "Whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Corinthians 10:31).

Your glory is the sublime display of your unique attributes and perfections. Grant that my life may bring you glory as I walk with you today.

May I do nothing that will profane your holy name (Leviticus 22:32).

Make me holy as you are holy.

INTERCESSION

"Your Kingdom Come" - God's Reign

God's plan from eternity has been to establish a kingdom of righteousness and holiness upon the earth (Matthew 25:34). The establishment of God's kingdom happens in two phases. The first phrase is spiritual. God rules in the hearts and lives of his people (Colossians 1:13). When we pray "your kingdom come," we are praying that people will get saved and become citizens of God's kingdom (Matthew 9:35). The second phase of the kingdom's coming is physical. When Jesus comes the second time, he will abolish all the governments of the earth, and establish himself as King of the whole world (Daniel 2:44-45). When we pray "your kingdom come," in this sense, we are eagerly anticipating Jesus' second coming (Revelation 22:20).

"Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; steadfast love and faithfulness go before you" (Psalm 89:14).

All that you do is right and just. Although I may not understand why you allow certain things to happen in my life, may I always remember that you are too loving to be cruel and too wise to make a mistake.

"My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever" (Psalm 145:21).

May your kingdom come!

Bless, strengthen, and encourage all the preachers, missionaries, teachers, pastors, and evangelists—all that labor for you throughout the world.

Lord, you are not slow to fulfill your promise as some count slowness, but you are patient toward all, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance (2 Peter 3:9).

I pray for... (names of people who are not saved)... to be saved.

Please bring people into their lives who will help them know how to be saved (Romans 10:13-14).

Bind the powers of darkness that hold them captive (Matthew 12:28-29) and open their eyes to their need of you (Acts 26:18).

"Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" -God's Rule

You have saved me, and called me to a holy calling, not because of my works but because of your own purpose and grace, which you gave me in Christ Jesus before the ages began (2 Timothy 1:9).

It is your will that I align my life to your holy Word. Grant me the grace to live in obedience to all you have shown me. You said that if I walk in the light, as you are in the light, I have fellowship with other believers, and the blood of Jesus your Son cleanses me from all sin (1 John 1:7).

May I never turn back from walking in all the light and thereby bring you pain (Psalm 78:14-17).

Like Paul, I choose to "count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord" (Philippians 3:8). May I always choose you and your will instead of my own will and desires.

SUPPLICATION

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" - God's Resources for Us

Dear Father, you said that if I seek first your kingdom and your righteousness—if I put you first in my life—you will supply all my material needs (Matthew 6:33).

Help me to remember that one of the ways I put you first in my life is to give back to you the tithe (10%) of my earnings (Leviticus 27:30). I do this, Lord, to acknowledge my trust in you and dependence on you as my provider.

If I fail to honor you with my tithe, you tell me I am robbing you of that which rightfully belongs to you (Malachi 3:8). You warn me that if I don't tithe, you will allow the devourer to consume my income (Malachi 3:11).

Help me to be faithful to obey you in my finances.

Father, please forgive me for ever murmuring or complaining about my circumstances (1 Corinthians 10:10).

I know that nothing touches my life unless it first passes through your hand (Colossians 3:3). Help me to trust you with all I am and all I have. You have been better to me than I deserve.

Forgive me, also, for worrying about material and physical problems (Matthew 6:31).

I thank you for your promise to supply every one of my needs according to your riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).

I pray for... (your present needs).

Help me to remember and be thankful for all you have already done!

I pray for... (others who are in need around the world).

I pray for those who occupy positions in local, state, and national government. I pray that you would guide them by the principles of your Word. Grant that they would honor you and that righteousness would reign. Please frustrate the purposes of evil and may your will be done. Grant "that we may lead a peaceful and

quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Timothy 2:2).

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

"And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors" - Reconciliation with God

The Psalmist said, "I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,' and you forgave the iniquity of my sin" (Psalm 32:5).

Lord, help me to not allow bitterness against anyone to poison the soil of my soul, for you have said that if any root of bitterness grows up in my heart, many people may be defiled (Hebrews 12:15).

If there is anyone I have not treated with the kindness and genuine love of Christ, please bring them to my remembrance and give me the courage and grace to humble myself and ask for their forgiveness.

You said that you oppose the proud but give grace to the humble (James 4:6). Enable me to humble myself so I can receive your grace.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

"And Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil" - God's Protection

You said, "Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him" (2 Timothy 2:3-4).

Jesus is my commanding officer. Help me to obey all his commands.

Grant that today, Father, I may be spiritually strong in you.

This is your will for me: "Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.... For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood [people], but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places" (Ephesians 6:10, 12).

Help me, Father, to put on the whole armor of God, so that in the day of evil, I may be able to stand my ground spiritually (Ephesians 6:13).

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

"For Yours Is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Forever" - Praise to God

"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all" (1 Chronicles 29:11).

"I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love, because you have seen my affliction; you have known the distress of my soul" (Psalm 31:7).

You said, "Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!" (Psalm 31:24).

LORD, bless me and keep me. Make your face shine upon me and be gracious to me. Lift up your countenance upon me and give me peace (Numbers 6:24-26).

This is the confidence I have toward you, that if I ask anything according to your will you hear me. And I know that if you hear me in whatever I ask, I know that I have the requests that I have asked of you (1 John 5:14-15).

In the name of Jesus I pray this, Amen.

MONDAY

WORSHIP/ADORATION

"Our Father" - Our Relationship with God

Dear Heavenly Father,

I enter into your divine presence in Jesus' name (Ephesians 2:18). I rejoice in the fact that you invite me to have fellowship with you and with your Son, Jesus (1 John 1:3), and with the Holy Spirit (Philippians 2:1).

You invite me to come with confidence to the throne of grace, that I may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need (Hebrews 4:16).

I thank you that you are full of compassion (Psalm 103:13). Lamentations 3:22-23 says, "The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."

Scripture asks, "Who has ascended to heaven and come down? Who has gathered the wind in his fists? Who has wrapped up the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is his name, and what is his son's name? Surely you know!" (Proverbs 30:4).

I praise you Father, that I know that Jesus is your Son. I gladly obey your command to honor the Son, just as I honor the Father (John 5:23).

Lord Jesus, thank you for laying aside the glory you had with the Father before the world was created (John 17:5), and for becoming the Savior of the world (1 John 4:14).

Thank you for loving me so much that you willingly gave yourself to be the atoning sacrifice for my sins, and not for mine only, but also for the sins of the whole world (1 John 2:2).

You were pierced for my transgressions; you were crushed for my iniquities; upon you was the chastisement that brought me peace, and with your wounds I am healed (Isaiah 53:5).

I praise you, Lord Jesus, that you arose from the grave a victor over death and hell (Revelation 1:18). Because of my union with you, I too am dead to sin and have risen to walk in newness of life (Romans 6:4).

I worship you, blessed Holy Spirit.

Fill me anew with your holy presence (Ephesians 5:18).

You comfort (Acts 9:31), strengthen (Ephesians 3:16) and lead (Romans 8:14) each person who desires to please God. Help me to know how to cooperate with you.

You also "convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment" (John 16:8).

Teach me to submit to your leadership in every area of my life (Galatians 5:24).

Cleanse me from all that would hinder your work in my life. May I not grieve you today in any way (Ephesians 4:30).

"In Heaven" - God's Royalty

Heaven is a place. It is where God's throne is located. Yet we are not to think of God's presence as limited to heaven. He is omnipresent ("everywhere present" - Psalm 139:7-12). However, God is said to be more present some places than others. The fact that God is in heaven signifies that he is not limited to earthly resources. He is sovereign and has unlimited resources. Further, "heaven" speaks of perfection and reminds me that God is the perfection of Fatherhood.

Heavenly Father, I praise you: You have established your throne in the heavens, and your kingdom rules over all (Psalm 103:19).

You are "God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other" (Deuteronomy 4:39).

To you, the LORD my God, "...belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it" (Deuteronomy 10:14). "Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you" (1 Kings 8:27).

"Look down from your holy habitation, from heaven, and bless your people" (Deuteronomy 26:15).

Father, you said that those who keep your testimonies and seek you with their whole heart are blessed (Psalm 119:2).

"With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you" (Psalm 119:10-11).

You are the royal King of heaven and the King of my life.

"Hallowed Be Your Name" - God's Reputation

The very nature of God (all that God is and does) is holy. We claim to have a relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Because God is holy, we must be holy in all our attitudes and actions (1 Peter 1:15-16). We influence what others think about him. His reputation is in our hands.

Father, all that you are, and all that you do is holy. "Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders" (Exodus 15:11).

"For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite" (Isaiah 57:15).

Help me to be contrite and humble so that your holy presence will dwell with me and revive my heart.

Father, help me to live today in such a manner that will not detract from your holiness. Your reputation is in my hands since I claim to follow Christ. May I not bring a reproach on your holy name by anything I do or say.

May people see your holiness—Christlike attitudes and actions—shining forth from my life, for you command me, "as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct" (1 Peter 1:15).

INTERCESSION

"Your Kingdom Come" - God's Reign

"The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice" (Psalm 97:1).

"The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!" (Psalm 99:1).

Father, I worship you and praise you, for you are Sovereign! You reign supreme over all the nations of the earth. To you "...the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as the dust on the scales" (Isaiah 40:15).

May your kingdom come! May your kingdom grow as more and more people come to know you as their Lord and Savior.

Bless, strengthen, and encourage all the preachers who work for you in various ministries throughout the world.

You said, "Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest" (John 4:35).

Help me to do what I can to lead others to you. I pray that more people will hear your call and become laborers in the harvest (Matthew 9:38).

You promised, "Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known" (Jeremiah 33:3).

"Will you not revive us again: that your people may rejoice in you?" (Psalm 85:6).

I pray for... (names of people who are not saved)... to be saved.

Father, draw them to Jesus (John 6:44). Grant them a heart of repentance (2 Timothy 2:25). Create in them a hunger and thirst for you (John 6:35).

Oh God, as long as they are happy in sin, they will not sense their need for you. Therefore, cause the pleasures of sin to turn to gravel in their mouths (Proverbs 20:17). Hedge them in to your will and your way (Hosea 2:6).

Please bring people into their lives who will help them know how to be saved (Romans 10:13-14).

Bind the powers of darkness that hold them captive (2 Timothy 2:26) and open their eyes to their need of you (2 Corinthians 4:4).

May the day of their salvation be soon.

"Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" -God's Rule

Father, help me to be attentive to your word so that I will know your will. You express your will through scripture.

Help my will to be submissive to your will. If there is anything in my life that is not pleasing you, please show it to me and give me the ability to make whatever changes you want made.

It is your will that I live with integrity and do what is right. You require me to speak truth in my heart (Psalm 15:2).

I am not to say things about others that would damage their character or influence, nor am I to speak evil of my neighbors (Proverbs 11:9). I am not to take up a reproach against my friend (Psalm 15:3).

Place a guard on my tongue so that I please you in all I say (Psalm 141:3).

I don't want to do anything contrary to your will. May your will truly be done in my life today.

SUPPLICATION

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" - God's Resources for Us

Dear Father, you said that if I seek first your kingdom and your righteousness—if I put you first in my life—you will supply all my material needs (Matthew 6:33).

Jesus, you said, "Do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matthew 6:34).

You forbid me to grumble, murmur, or complain about anything (1 Corinthians 10:10).

Please forgive me for ever murmuring or complaining about my circumstances. You have been better to me than I deserve.

If I suffer financial reverses, help me to remember that Jesus had no place to lay his head (Matthew 8:20), but he was rich in his relationship with you. Grant that as I pray and read your Word, I too will be rich in my relationship with you.

Forgive me for worrying.

You tell me in Philippians 4:6-7, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

I thank you for your promise to supply every one of my needs according to your riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).

I thank you for all the blessings you have given me in the past.

I bring you my present needs.... (name them).

Help me to remember and be thankful for all you have already done!

I pray for... (people who are in need around the world).

I pray for those who occupy positions in local, state, and national government. I pray that you would guide them by the principles of your Word. Grant that they would honor you and that righteousness would reign. Please frustrate the purposes of evil and may your will be done. Grant "that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Timothy 2:2).

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

"And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors" - Reconciliation with God

"Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting" (Psalm 139:23-24).

"For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you" (Psalm 86:5).

I acknowledge, Lord, that if I do not forgive others their wrongs against me, I do not hurt them, but I cut myself off from your forgiveness (Mark 11:25).

I thank you for your mercy and forgiveness.

When I truly repent and turn from my sins, you remove them from me as far as the east is from the west (Psalm 103:12). You cast them behind your back (Isaiah 38:17), to remember them no more (Jeremiah 31:34). You blot them out for your own sake (Isaiah 43:25) and cast them all into the depths of the sea (Micah 7:19).

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

"And Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil" - God's Protection

Holy Father, keep me in your name, for you have given me to Jesus (John 17:11). Just as Jesus was in the world but not of the world (John 17:16, 18), help me not to be conformed to this world (Romans 12:2). Please guard my desires and wishes.

You said, "The Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one" (2 Thessalonians 3:3).

Grant that today, Father, I may be spiritually strong in you.

This is your will for me: "Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood [people], but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places" (Ephesians 6:10-12).

You tell me, "Take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm" (Ephesians 6:13).

You instruct me, "Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth" (Ephesians 6:14). Help me to be completely truthful today in all my relationships.

You said, "Put on the breastplate of righteousness" (Ephesians 6:14). Help me to be righteous and holy in all I do.

You tell me to "Put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace" (Ephesians 6:15). Help me to stand firm

in your truth and recognize opportunities to share the gospel of Jesus with others.

You instruct me, "Take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one" (Ephesians 6:16). When I am tempted today, grant that my faith may not fail (Luke 22:32).

I am to put on the helmet of salvation (Ephesians 6:17). May all my thoughts be taken captive to obey Christ (2 Corinthians 10:5).

I am to learn how to use the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God (Ephesians 6:17). Help me to store up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you (Psalm 119:11).

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

"For Yours Is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Forever" - Praise to God

"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all" (1 Chronicles 29:11).

I obey the command: "Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the LORD" (Psalm 4:5).

"Let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exult in you. For

you bless the righteous, O LORD; you cover him with favor as with a shield" (Psalm 5:11-12).

Help me, Father, to obey these commands today.

In the name of Jesus I pray this, Amen.

TUESDAY

WORSHIP/ADORATION

"Our Father" - Our Relationship with God

Dear Heavenly Father,

I worship you, for you are: "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness" (Exodus 34:6).

You are the Creator of the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1:1). The heavens declare your glory; and the sky above proclaims your handiwork (Psalm 19:1).

You are all wise (Daniel 2:20; Romans 11:33). You never make a mistake (Psalm 33:11). Your understanding is infinite (Psalm 147:5).

You are all loving (1 John 4:8). You are never unkind or cruel (Psalm 119:68). You desire the very best for my life.

You are infinite in your power (Jeremiah 32:17). Nothing is impossible for you (Matthew 19:26; Luke 1:37).

I want to love you with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength (Mark 12:30). Increase my capacity to love you, I pray.

Someday I will stand in your presence to be judged for everything I've said and done (Matthew 16:27; 2 Corinthians 5:10).

Empower me to walk humbly with you today (Micah 6:8) and to demonstrate the godly fear that you desire (1 Peter 1:17).

You tell me that since I have become part of a kingdom that cannot be shaken, I am to express my gratitude by serving you with reverence and godly fear (Hebrews 12:28).

You said, "Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling" (Psalm 2:11). Help me to do this.

I thank you, Lord Jesus, that you are "a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people" (Hebrews 2:17).

Because you suffered when you were tempted, you are able to help me when I am tempted (Hebrews 2:18).

As my heavenly High Priest, help me to keep my focus on you (Hebrews 12:2) and to draw from you the strength I need for this day.

The Psalmist says of You, "For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust" (Psalm 103:14).

You know me intimately and sympathize with my weaknesses. You faced the same type of problems and temptations I will face today. You are with me

to help me and enable me not to commit willful sin (Hebrews 4:14-16).

I thank you for loving me. It comforts me to know that you are praying for me today (Hebrews 7:25).

Grant that the people I come in contact with today may know that I love you, Lord Jesus, by my obedience to your commandments (John 14:31).

You said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments" (John 14:15).

Blessed Holy Spirit, thank you for dwelling within me (Romans 8:11).

Strengthen me with power in my inner being so that Christ may dwell in my heart through faith (Ephesians 3:16-17).

I yield to you full control of my thoughts, my attitudes, and my actions. Enable me to walk in the Spirit throughout this day (Galatians 5:16).

Thank you for rooting and grounding me in Christ's love. Grant that I experience what it means to comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth of the love of Christ, and to be filled with all the fullness of God (Ephesians 3:17-19).

"In Heaven" - God's Royalty

Heavenly Father, I join with the Psalmist and proclaim, "You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you" (Psalm 118:28).

"For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods" (Psalm 97:9).

You are the King of kings, and the Lord supreme (Revelation 17:14).

I pledge allegiance to you. I purpose to be loyal and completely obedient to you, as you enable me to do so by your grace. You are my King.

"Hallowed Be Your Name" - God's Reputation

Father, you said, "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight" (Proverbs 9:10).

You are holy in all that you do. "The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works" (Psalm 145:17).

My heart rejoices in you because I have trusted in your holy name (Psalm 33:21).

Father, help me to live today in such a manner that will not detract from your holiness. Your reputation is in my hands since I claim to be a disciple of Jesus. May I not bring a reproach on your holy name by anything I do or say.

May people see your holiness—Christlike attitudes and actions—shining forth from my life, for you command me, "You also be holy in all of your conduct" (1 Peter 1:15).

INTERCESSION

"Your Kingdom Come" - God's Reign

Heavenly Father, you are a sevenfold King.

- **1.** You are the King of the Jews—an ethnic King (Matthew 2:2).
- **2.** You are the King of Israel—a national King (John 1:49).
- **3.** You are the King of righteousness—a spiritual King (Jeremiah 23:5).
- **4.** You are the King of the ages—an eternal King (1 Timothy 1:17).
- **5.** You are the King of heaven—a heavenly King (Daniel 4:37).
- **6.** You are the King of glory—a glorious King (Psalm 24:10).
- 7. You are the King of kings and the Lord of lords—the supreme King (Revelation 17:14).¹

¹ Adapted from a prayer by S. M. Lockridge

Your kingdom is a spiritual kingdom in the hearts of men and women who are born again (Luke 17:21). May your kingdom grow as more and more people come to know you as their Lord and Savior.

Bless, strengthen, and encourage all the missionaries that labor for you throughout the world.

You said, "Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest" (John 4:35). Lord of the harvest, raise up and send out laborers into the harvest (Matthew 9:38). Help me to be alert to opportunities to share the good news about Jesus with people I meet (Colossians 4:3-6).

I pray for... (names of people who are not saved)... to be saved.

Father, draw them to Jesus (John 6:44). Grant them a heart of repentance (2 Timothy 2:25). Create in them a hunger and thirst for you (John 6:35).

Oh God, as long as they are happy in sin, they will not sense their need for you. Therefore, cause the pleasures of sin to turn to gravel in their mouths (Proverbs 20:17). Hedge them in to your will and your way (Hosea 2:6).

Please bring people into their lives who will help them know how to be saved (Romans 10:13-14).

Bind the powers of darkness that hold them captive (Matthew 12:28-29) and open their eyes to their need of you (Acts 26:18).

May the day of their salvation be soon.

"Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" -God's Rule

This petition teaches us to be more concerned about God's will being done in our lives than our plans and wishes being done. If our desires are not in harmony with his will, we should ask God to change our desires. His will is to be done by us as it is done by the angels in heaven—eagerly and joyfully. We are to submit to the authority of his Word.

Heavenly Father, help me to be more desirous that your will be done than I am desirous that my will, my plans, and my wishes be done.

You are the potter; I am the clay. I am the work of your hands (Isaiah 64:8). Help me to be good clay and help me to stay on the potter's wheel as you mold me and shape me.

Some molding hurts, and some changes you wish to make in my life may be painful. Nevertheless, I desire with my whole heart to be a vessel for honorable use. I want to be set apart as holy. I want to be useful to you, my Master, and to be ready for every good work (2 Timothy 2:20-21).

Help me to trust you and not shrink back or run from your loving hands (Hebrews 10:38-39).

SUPPLICATION

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" - God's Resources for Us

Dear Father, you promised that as I put you first in my life, you will take care of all my other needs (Matthew 6:33).

Jesus, you said, "Do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matthew 6:34).

You forbid me to grumble, murmur, or complain (1 Corinthians 10:10). Please forgive me for murmuring or complaining about any of my circumstances.

If people treat me unfairly, help me to see beyond them to you and know that you have let this come into my life to make me more like Christ (Romans 8:28-29).

Forgive me for worrying about material and physical problems. You instruct me, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6). As I do this you promised, "the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:7).

I thank you for your promise to supply every one of my needs according to your riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).

Thank you! Help me to trust in and rest on this promise.

I pray for... (whatever you need that is within God's will for you).

Help me to remember and be thankful for all you have already done!

I pray for... (people who are in need around the world).

I pray for those who occupy positions in local, state, and national government. I pray that you would guide them by the principles of your Word. Grant that they would honor you and that righteousness would reign. Please frustrate the purposes of evil and may your will be done. Grant "that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Timothy 2:2).

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

"And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors" - Reconciliation with God

Search my heart, O God, for you said, "Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you" (Ephesians 4:32).

Thank you, Father, for drawing me to Jesus! (John 6:44). Thank you for saving me and adopting me into your family. Thank you for creating within me a clean heart (Psalm 51:10).

I thank you that you forgive iniquity, transgression, and sin (Exodus 34:7).

Is there anyone I need to ask to forgive me for failing to be as kind or tenderhearted or forgiving as you wanted me to be toward them?

Father, help me not to resent your chastening. You said, "Blessed is the man whom you discipline, O LORD, and whom you teach out of your law" (Psalm 94:12).

May I learn to say with the Psalmist David, "It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I might learn your statutes" (Psalm 119:71).

"I know, O LORD, that your rules are righteous, and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me" (Psalm 119:75).

Father, you require me to gain and maintain a clear conscience. Paul said, "So I always take pains to have a clear conscience toward both God and man" (Acts 24:16).

Help me to keep my conscience clear today. A clear conscience provides confidence toward you (1 John 3:21).

You said for me to draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with my heart sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and my body washed with pure water (Hebrews 10:22).

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

"And Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil" - God's Protection

Father, Jesus came to set me free from self-centeredness, obsessions, compulsions, or anything else that would keep me from being fully Christlike.

Transform me by your grace into the unique person you created me to be.

In the name of Jesus, I ask for your divine working in my life so I can be free from all that would hinder your will for my life.

Grant that today, Father, I may be spiritually strong in you. You said, "Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might" (Ephesians 6:10).

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

"For Yours Is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Forever" - Praise to God

I praise you LORD, that you are the Everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth (Isaiah 40:28).

You do not faint or become weary (Isaiah 40:28). You neither slumber nor sleep (Psalm 121:4).

Your understanding is inscrutable. You give power to the faint, and to him who lacks might you increase strength (Isaiah 40:29). "They who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint" (Isaiah 40:31).

In the name of Jesus I pray this, Amen.

WEDNESDAY

WORSHIP/ADORATION

"Our Father" - Our Relationship with God

Dear Heavenly Father,

I worship you for you are good. "For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever" (Psalm 117:2).

I join with the Psalmist who exclaims, "The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation" (Psalm 18:46).

"From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!" (Psalm 113:3).

"I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth" (Psalm 34:1).

You are glorified as I bear much fruit (John 15:8).

Grant me the desire and the power (your grace) to honor you in my life today.

I worship you, Jesus, for who you are, and thank you for what you do for me daily.

I join with the angels and archangels and proclaim: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power

and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing" (Revelation 5:12).

"God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:9-11).

I thank you for forgiving me of my sins. Paul said, "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us" (Romans 5:1-5).

Please help me to walk in a manner worthy of you, fully pleasing to you: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in my knowledge of you (Colossians 1:10).

Blessed Holy Spirit, guide me as I learn what it means to pray in the Spirit (Jude 1:20).

I desire and purpose to follow your prompting and leadership today.

Give me ears to hear what you wish to say to me.

Open my ears and eyes spiritually, and grant that I would not be rebellious or turn back from doing your will (Isaiah 50:4-5; Ephesians 1:18).

"In Heaven" - God's Royalty

"The LORD is in his holy temple; the LORD's throne is in heaven; his eyes see, his eyelids test the children of man" (Psalm 11:4)

"When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man, that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?" (Psalm 8:3-4).

You created all the stars and call each of them by name (Isaiah 40:26).

Though you have done all this, you seek intimacy with me and give me dignity and destiny through Jesus Christ.

I thank you and worship you for your sovereignty and your great love.

"Hallowed Be Your Name" - God's Reputation

I exalt you, the LORD my God, and worship at your footstool! You are holy! (Psalm 99:5).

Father, help me to know how to exalt you in my life, in my attitudes, and in my words.

You command, "Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness" (Psalm 29:2).

Your holiness is beautiful. May nothing in my life detract from your holiness today.

INTERCESSION

"Your Kingdom Come" - God's Reign

May I remember that your kingdom is not of this world (John 18:36).

You said, "The kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit" (Romans 14:17).

Your kingdom presently is in the hearts of men and women who are spiritually born again.

As my King, grant me the ability to submit willingly to your authority.

May your reign be seen in my life as I daily live under your lordship.

I pledge allegiance to you and your purposes for my life, for the lives of my family members, and for the lives of my friends.

May your kingdom grow as more and more people come to know you as their Lord and Savior.

Bless, strengthen, and encourage all believers who work in secular jobs, so that they will be radiant witnesses of the love and peace of Jesus.

You said, "Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest" (John 4:35). Raise up, I pray, more workers for the fields (Matthew 9:38) and grant them fruit for their labors.

I pray for... (names of people who are not saved)... to be saved.

Father, draw them to Jesus (John 6:44). Grant them a heart of repentance (2 Timothy 2:25). Create in them a hunger and thirst for you (John 6:35).

Bind the powers of darkness that hold them captive (2 Timothy 2:26) and open their eyes to their need of you (2 Corinthians 4:4).

May the day of their salvation be soon.

"Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" -God's Rule

Father, I rejoice that you desire for me to be filled with the knowledge of your will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding (Colossians 1:9).

It is your will that I stand mature and fully assured in all your will (Colossians 4:12).

"Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies" (Psalm 27:11).

Remember: One of the reasons Jesus teaches us to pray like this, spending 1/3 of our prayer time on his name, his kingdom, and his will is to break us from our self-absorption (our problems and needs).

SUPPLICATION

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" - God's Resources for Us

Dear Father, you said that if I seek first your kingdom and your righteousness—if I put you first in my life—you will supply all my material needs (Matthew 6:33).

Jesus, you said, "Do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble" (Matthew 6:34).

You forbid me to grumble, murmur, or complain about anything (1 Corinthians 10:10). Instead of complaining, I am to bring all my problems to you in prayer.

You said, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).

Please forgive me for ever murmuring or complaining about my circumstances. You have been better to me than I deserve.

I bring you my present needs.... (name them).

Help me to remember and be thankful for all you have already done!

I pray for... (others who are in need around the world).

I pray for those who occupy positions in local, state, and national government. I pray they will be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth (2 Timothy 2:25). I pray that you will guide them by the principles of your Word. Grant that they will honor you and that righteousness will reign. Please frustrate the purposes of evil and may your will be done. Grant "that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Timothy 2:2).

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

"And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors" - Reconciliation with God

Search me, O God, and see if there is any sin in my life (Psalm 139:23-24).

"God is light, and in him is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5). You said that if we say that we have fellowship with you, and walk in darkness (do sinful things), we lie and do not the truth (1 John 1:6). But if we walk in the light (do what we know pleases you), as you are in

the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ your Son cleanses us from all sin (1 John 1:7).

If we confess our sins, you are faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9).

Help me to walk in all the light you have given me. Grant me the grace to do your will gladly and cheerfully.

Father, I confess my need of having a greater desire, boldness, and effectiveness in personal witnessing and soul winning.

I thank you, Father, that you "are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you" (Psalm 86:5).

Thank you for forgiving my sins.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

"And Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil" - God's Protection

You command, "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires" (Romans 13:14).

Give me grace to guard the areas of life in which I am weak and prone to displease you.

This is your will for me: "Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.... For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood [people], but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places" (Ephesians 6:10, 12).

You said, "Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth" (Ephesians 6:14). Help me to be completely truthful today in all my relationships.

You said, "Put on the breastplate of righteousness" (Ephesians 6:14). Guard my heart and help me be righteous and holy in all I do.

You said my feet are to be shod with the gospel of peace (Ephesians 6:15). Help me to stand firm in your truth and detect when you want me to share the gospel of Jesus with others.

You said, "Take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one" (Ephesians 6:16). When I am tempted today, grant that my faith may not fail (Luke 22:32).

I am to put on the helmet of salvation (Ephesians 6:17). May all my thoughts be taken captive to obey Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 10:5).

Help me to learn how to use the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God (Ephesians 6:17).

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

"For Yours Is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Forever" - Praise to God

To you, LORD, I offer right sacrifices, and I put my trust in you (Psalm 4:5).

"Let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exult in you" (Psalm 5:11).

Father, I choose to be happy and joyful in you.

This is the confidence I have toward you, that if I ask anything according to your will you hear me. And I know that if you hear me in whatever I ask, I know that I have the requests that I have asked of you (1 John 5:14-15).

In the name of Jesus I pray this, Amen.

THURSDAY

WORSHIP/ADORATION

"Our Father" - Our Relationship with God

Dear Heavenly Father,

"I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds" for you are worthy of all my praise (Psalm 9:1).

"I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High" (Psalm 9:2).

"Those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you" (Psalm 9:10).

Father, I am grateful that I know your name (character). I gladly put my trust in you.

Since I claim you as my Father, help me to honor you today in my thoughts, words, and actions.

You said that for me to fear the LORD means that I adopt your attitude toward evil. I am to hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior, and perverse speech (Proverbs 8:13). Help me to do this.

Help me to be obedient to you by walking in the fear of the LORD all day long (Proverbs 23:17).

May the beauty of Jesus shine forth from my life today so that whoever is around me may see my good works and glorify you, Father (Matthew 5:16).

May your approving smile be on my life.

Grant me the grace to be merciful to others as you are merciful to me (Luke 6:36).

Father, I am so thankful that your Son came into the world that I might be free from sin and the tyranny of self-centeredness.

"...Far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world" (Galatians 6:14).

Through my union with you, Lord Jesus, I have died to sin (Romans 6:2). You tell me that I am now free from sin (Romans 6:7).

May I remember that the person I was before you saved me—self-centered and sinful—was crucified with Christ at the moment of my new birth (Romans 6:6).

Your purpose for my life is that sin's control over my body might be destroyed, so that from now on I will no longer be enslaved to sin (Romans 6:6).

You command me to exercise faith and consider myself dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus (Romans 6:11). I am not to let sin reign in my body by obeying its evil desires (Romans 6:12).

I am to present the members of my body as instruments of righteousness to God (Romans 6:13).

Help me to obey these commands and to live in the power of Christ this day.

Thank you, Father, for the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus says the Holy Spirit is the promise of the Father (Luke 24:49).

Fill me today, blessed Spirit, with your holy presence (Ephesians 5:18). Teach me to submit to your control over every area of my life.

Cleanse me from all that would hinder your work in my life (2 Corinthians 7:1).

May I not grieve you today in any way (Ephesians 4:30).

"In Heaven" - God's Royalty

Heavenly Father, I marvel that you, in your sovereign royalty, choose to love me (John 3:16).

Your love for me is causeless and free. It is undeserved, measureless, and will never cease.

You did not set your love on me because I was loveable, beautiful, or clever (Romans 5:8). In my sin I was unlovable, repulsive, and foolish.

You love me because you chose to love me (Ephesians 2:4-5).

Yet, in your love, you refuse to allow sin to remain in my life (Titus 3:4-5).

You are actively working to conform me to the image of your Son (Romans 8:28-29).

Help me today to gaze upon your glory, Lord Jesus, and so to be transformed into your image from one degree of glory to another by your Spirit (2 Corinthians 3:18).

"Hallowed Be Your Name" - God's Reputation

Father, I hallow your name by protecting your reputation, for you are a Holy God.

"Holy, Holy, is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory" (Isaiah 6:3).

The Psalmist said, "Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!" (Psalm 105:3).

"For our shield belongs to the LORD, our king to the Holy One of Israel" (Psalm 89:18).

Help me, as the song says, to

"Take time to be holy, the world rushes on; Spend much time in secret, with Jesus alone. By looking to Jesus, like him thou shalt be; Thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see. "Take time to be holy, let him be thy Guide; And run not before him, whatever betide. In joy or in sorrow, still follow thy Lord, And, looking to Jesus, still trust in his Word."²

INTERCESSION

"Your Kingdom Come" - God's Reign

Lord Jesus, you send us forth to minister in your kingdom not as lords, but as servants (1 Peter 5:3). You set the example of what it means to be a servant (Philippians 2:6-7).

You came to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). You did not seek your own will (John 6:38), your own pleasure (Romans 15:3), nor your own pursuits.

Help me to adopt the mind of Christ so that I will find more joy in serving you and others than in pursuing my own pleasure, possessions, power, performance, or prestige (Philippians 2:5).

Your kingdom is a spiritual kingdom in the hearts of men and women who are born again (Luke 17:21). May your kingdom grow as more and more people come to know you as their Lord and Savior.

Christ, send out ambassadors to implore sinners to be reconciled to God (2 Corinthians 5:20).

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Bless, strengthen, and encourage pastors of local churches, that they may be true to all the teachings of your Word, for you are a God of wrath against evil and a God of forgiveness for those who confess and forsake sin.

You said, "Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known" (Jeremiah 33:3).

I pray for... (names of people who are not saved)... to be saved.

Father, draw them to Jesus (John 6:44). Grant them a heart of repentance (2 Timothy 2:25). Create in them a hunger and thirst for you (John 6:35).

Bind the powers of darkness that hold them captive (Matthew 12:28-29) and open their eyes to their need of you (Acts 26:18).

May the day of their salvation be soon.

"Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" -God's Rule

Lord, help me to be in tune with what the Holy Spirit wants to do and is doing in my family, my church, my community, my nation, and this world.

Guard and guide my desires and dreams. You have warned me no matter how much a person sees, he is never satisfied. No matter how much a person hears, he is not content (Ecclesiastes 1:8). The things of this world will never satisfy my heart. Only you and your presence can do that.

Help me to derive my satisfaction and contentment from my relationship with you. I am complete in Christ (Colossians 2:10).

Help me to be grateful for what you have already provided for me.

SUPPLICATION

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" - God's Resources for Us

God has unlimited resources. They are available to us. Ask him to meet your physical, financial, emotional, and mental needs.

Dear Father, you said that if I seek first your kingdom and your righteousness—if I put you first in my life—you will supply all my material needs (Matthew 6:33).

I thank you for your promise to supply every one of my needs according to your riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).

I thank you for all the physical and material blessings you have given me in the past.

I bring you my current needs.... (name them).

I pray for... (others who are oppressed and in need around the world).

I pray, like Jabez of old, "Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from harm so that it might not bring me pain!" (1 Chronicles 4:10). Please grant me my request like you granted Jabez his request.

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

"And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors" - Reconciliation with God

You said, "If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14).

Father, I confess my need to have a greater love for your Word and to spend more time in memorization and meditation of scripture.

You said, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God" (Colossians 3:16).

John said, "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure" (1 John 3:1-3).

Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8). Help me to be pure in my motives and thoughts today.

Paul said, "The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith" (1 Timothy 1:5).

Help me to "Flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart" (2 Timothy 2:22).

Thank you for forgiving my sins.

You have removed them from me as far as the east is from the west (Psalm 103:12). You have cast them behind your back (Isaiah 38:17), to remember them no more (Jeremiah 31:34).

You have blotted them out for your own sake (Isaiah 43:25) and have cast them all into the depths of the sea (Micah 7:19).

I thank you for your mercy and forgiveness.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

"And Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil" - God's Protection

Father, I praise you for your protection.

You said, "The Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one" (2 Thessalonians 3:3).

"Keep steady my steps according to your promise, and let no iniquity get dominion over me" (Psalm 119:133).

Help me to "hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep your Word" (Psalm 119:101).

You promise me that as I obey your Word continually, I will walk in liberty and freedom (Psalm 119:44-45).

Grant that today, Father, I may be spiritually strong in you. This is your will for my life. You said, "Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might" (Ephesians 6:10).

Help me, Father, to put on the full armor of God today so I can stand firm against all the strategies and tricks of the devil (Ephesians 6:11).

I need the belt of truth to sustain me, the breastplate of righteousness to protect me, and my feet shod with readiness both to obey and to share the gospel of peace (Ephesians 6:14-15).

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

"For Yours Is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Forever" - Praise to God

"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all" (1 Chronicles 29:11).

You said, "Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits (is fitting for) the upright" (Psalm 33:1).

LORD, you declared, "I am the one who helps you... your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel" (Isaiah 41:14).

You have told me to "Rejoice in the Lord always" (Philippians 4:4).

You said, "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior" (Isaiah 43:2-3).

I praise you "for nothing will be impossible with God" (Luke 1:37).

"Ah, Lord GOD! It is you who have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your

outstretched arm! Nothing is too hard for you" (Jeremiah 32:17).

This is the confidence I have toward you, that if I ask anything according to your will you hear me. And I know that if you hear me in whatever I ask, I know that I have the requests that I have asked of you (1 John 5:14-15).

In the name of Jesus I pray this, Amen.

FRIDAY

WORSHIP/ADORATION

"Our Father" - Our Relationship with God

Dear Heavenly Father,

I praise you, O LORD, for you are a shield about me; my glory, and the lifter of my head (Psalm 3:3).

You love me and care for me more than I will ever know. "You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told" (Psalm 40:5).

Help me to love you, Father, with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength, as you deserve to be loved (Mark 12:30).

I delight in you (Psalm 37:4), rejoice in serving you (Psalm 100:2), and want to please you in everything (2 Corinthians 5:9). I seek my happiness in you (Matthew 6:33), and I thirst for a fuller enjoyment of you (Psalm 42:1-2).

In addition to loving you, you have commanded me to fear the LORD my God (Deuteronomy 6:2, 13, 24).

Grant me the ability to fear you, to walk in all your ways, to love you, and to serve you with all my heart and with all my soul (Deuteronomy 10:12).

Thank you for your promise to bless me if I diligently obey all your commandments (Deuteronomy 11:13-14).

I thank you, Lord Jesus, that you gave yourself for my sins (Galatians 1:4).

You love me and have freed me from my sins by your blood (Revelation 1:5).

You have delivered me from the domain of darkness and have transferred me into your kingdom (Colossians 1:13).

It is your will that I be set free from the corrupting power and sinful habits of this present evil age (Galatians 1:4).

I worship you Lord Jesus, for you are the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through you (John 14:6).

You are the bread from heaven (John 6:41), the bread of life. Whoever comes to you will never hunger and will never thirst (John 6:35).

You have come that I might have life and have it more abundantly (John 10:10).

Your ways, Lord Jesus, are right (Psalm 145:17), your word is eternal (Psalm 119:89), your will is unchanging (Malachi 3:6), and your mind is on me (Psalm 40:5).

Your bond is love (Colossians 3:14), your burden is light (Matthew 11:30), and your gift to me is abundant life (John 10:10).

You will never leave me (Hebrews 13:5), mislead me (Psalm 23:2-3, John 10:3-4), overlook me (1 Peter 5:7), or forget me (Isaiah 49:15-16).

When I fall, you lift me up (Psalm 37:23-24). When I confess my failure, you forgive me (1 John 1:9).

When I am weak, you are strong (2 Corinthians 12:9-10). When I am confused, you are the way (John 14:6).

When I am afraid, you are my courage (Isaiah 41:10). When I am hurt, you comfort me (2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

When I am brokenhearted, you heal me (Psalm 147:3). When I am hungry, you feed me (Psalm 145:16).

When I face trials, you encourage me (Psalm 16:8, James 1:12). When I face persecution, you are with me (2 Corinthians 4:9-11).

When I face loss, you provide for me (Psalm 37:25-26). And when I face death, you will carry me home (2 Corinthians 5:8).

You are everything I need or desire (Psalm 16:11, Psalm 17:15). I am yours and you are mine (John 10:14, John 17:6). Hallelujah, what a Savior!³

Blessed Holy Spirit, enable me to walk in step with you today (Galatians 5:25).

Just as Jesus was filled with the Spirit (Luke 4:1) and walked in the power of the Spirit (Luke 4:14), fill and empower me today (Ephesians 5:18).

It is through the fullness of the Spirit in my life that I am equipped and empowered to be the witness Jesus wants me to be (Acts 1:8).

Help me to be sensitive to your guidance, blessed Spirit (Psalm 16:7).

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I praise you. You are the one God, manifesting yourself in three persons. You are the three-in-one, most blessed Trinity. You are all I need!

"In Heaven" - God's Royalty

Heavenly Father, I rejoice in the fact that all the host of heaven are standing beside you on your right hand and on your left (1 Kings 22:19). They are ready to obey your command.

"You rule over all the kingdoms of the nations. In your hand are power and might, so that none is able to withstand you" (2 Chronicles 20:6).

³ Adapted from a prayer by S. M. Lockridge

No wisdom, no understanding, no counsel can prevail against you (Proverbs 21:30).

You remove kings and set up kings (Daniel 2:21).

Promotion comes from God (Psalm 75:6-7).

"Hallowed Be Your Name" - God's Reputation

LORD, you have set apart the godly for yourself; you hear when I call to you (Psalm 4:3). Thank you for hearing my prayers.

Grant that today, by your grace, I live godly in your sight.

Jesus, you said, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

Paul wrote, "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ" (Colossians 3:23-24). Help me to do this today.

INTERCESSION

"Your Kingdom Come" - God's Reign

Grant that by your grace I will have the same attitude Christ did, "who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross" (Philippians 2:6-8).

Help me to surrender my rights to you daily, Lord, and yet be faithful to fulfill my responsibilities and to please you.

Your kingdom is a spiritual kingdom in the hearts of men and women who are born again (Luke 17:21). May your kingdom grow as more and more people come to know you as their Lord and Savior.

Bless, strengthen, and encourage all the believers who teach in public and private schools, that they may be witnesses to the grace and love of God.

You promised, "Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known" (Jeremiah 33:3).

I pray for... (names of people who are not saved)... to be saved.

Please bring people into their lives who will help them know how to be saved (Romans 10:13-14).

Bind the powers of darkness that hold them captive (2 Timothy 2:26) and open their eyes to their need of you (2 Corinthians 4:4).

"Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" -God's Rule

You tell believers that we "like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 2:5).

I am to offer the following spiritual sacrifices to you:

- **1.** The sacrifice of thanksgiving (Psalm 116:17)
- **2.** My body as a living sacrifice (Romans 12:1)
- **3.** The sacrifice of good deeds (Hebrews 13:16)
- **4.** The sacrifice of sharing what I have with others (Hebrews 13:16)
- 5. The sacrifice of continual praise to God, that is, the fruit of my lips acknowledging your name (Hebrews 13:15).

I am a member of a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that I may proclaim your excellencies. You called me out of darkness into your marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9).

You tell me: "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).

You also said, I should be "giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 5:20).

Help me to do this today.

SUPPLICATION

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" - God's Resources for Us

Dear Father, you said that if I seek first your kingdom and your righteousness—if I put you first in my life—you will supply all my material needs (Matthew 6:33).

Father, please forgive me for ever murmuring or complaining about my circumstances.

If people misunderstand me or are unkind to me, help me to remember that "a servant is not greater than his master" (John 15:20). Jesus also was misunderstood and abused.

Forgive me, also, for worrying about the unknown future.

You said, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6).

You promise me that if I do this, your peace, which surpasses all understanding, will guard my heart and my mind in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:7).

I thank you for your promise to supply every one of my needs according to your riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).

I thank you for the financial blessings you have given to me.

Help me to put you first in my finances and always honor you with the firstfruits of my income by faithfully tithing (Proverbs 3:9-10).

I pray for... (whatever you feel you need that is within God's will for you).

Help me to remember and be thankful for all you have already done!

I pray for... (others who are in need around the world).

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

"And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors" - Reconciliation with God

Confession is an act of self-humbling. It is an acknowledgement of the need of God's grace and help. Properly offered, it expresses the desire for spiritual improvement. Confession is to adopt God's viewpoint and attitude toward what is wrong or needs to be changed in your life. Confession assumes personal responsibility for your choices and attitudes regardless of how other people treated you.

"Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!" (Psalm 139:23-24).

Jesus, you said, "Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses" (Mark 11:25).

Father, bring to my mind anyone I have not forgiven.

Grant me the grace to forgive each person who has sinned against me or hurt me or those I care about.

Cleanse me of all bitterness, ill-will, or resentment toward them.

Father, I confess my need to have a closer walk with you and to develop a prompt obedience to the prompting and checks of the Spirit.

I thank you, Father, that you "are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you" (Psalm 86:5).

"If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?" (Psalm 130:3).

Thank you for forgiving my sins.

You have removed them as far as the east is from the west (Psalm 103:12). You have cast them behind

your back (Isaiah 38:17), to remember them no more (Jeremiah 31:34).

I thank you for your mercy and forgiveness.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

"And Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil" - God's Protection

Father, Psalm 119:1-2 says, "Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD! Blessed are those who keep his testimonies, who seek him with their whole heart." Help me to seek you today with my whole heart.

You said that those who seek you with their whole heart do not sin; instead, they walk in your ways (Psalm 119:3).

Grant that today, Father, I may be spiritually strong in you. This is your will for my life, for You said, "Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might" (Ephesians 6:10).

Help me to stay away from things that I know will hurt me spiritually (2 Timothy 2:22).

In the areas of my weakness, guard me against the temptations that Satan has designed to defeat me (2 Thessalonians 3:3).

You said my feet are to be shod with the gospel of peace (Ephesians 6:15). Help me to stand firm in your

truth and discern when you want me to share the gospel of Jesus with others.

You said, "Take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one" (Ephesians 6:16). When I am tempted today, grant that my faith may not fail (Luke 22:32).

I am to learn how to use the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God (Ephesians 6:17). Help me to store up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you (Psalm 119:11).

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

"For Yours Is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Forever" - Praise to God

I praise you LORD, that you are the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. You do not faint or grow weary. Your understanding is unsearchable. You give power to the faint, and to him who has no might you increase strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for you LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint (Isaiah 40:28-31).

In the name of Jesus I pray this, Amen.

SATURDAY

WORSHIP/ADORATION

"Our Father" - Our Relationship with God

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank you for promising to be to me everything I need (Colossians 2:10).

With the Psalmist, I have assurance that even if my father and mother forsake me, you LORD will take me in (Psalm 27:10).

As my Father, you are my provider, my defender, my sustainer, my comforter, my redeemer, my guide, my God, and the Rock of my salvation (Psalm 89:26).

You are Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end (Revelation 22:13).

You are our everlasting Redeemer; that is your name (Isaiah 63:16).

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from you, the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change (James 1:17).

May I understand, value, appreciate, and rejoice more each day that you are all I need!

I worship you Lord Jesus, for you are the one Isaiah spoke of when he said, "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6).

You are the Holy One of God (Mark 1:24) and the Son of the Most High (Luke 1:32).

You are the Lamb of God (John 1:29) and the chief Shepherd of your sheep (1 Peter 5:4).

You are the Author of life (Acts 3:15) and the founder and perfecter of our faith (Hebrews 12:2).

You are the Lord God Almighty (Revelation 15:3), the King of kings, and the Lord of lords (Revelation 19:16).

You are the light of the world (John 8:12) and the bright morning star (Revelation 22:16).

Thank you for being the same, yesterday, today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

You are all I need!

You promise, Lord Jesus, that if I abide in you, and you in me, I will bear much fruit; for apart from you, I can do nothing (John 15:5).

May you be glorified today in my life, my thoughts, my attitudes, and my actions.

Blessed Holy Spirit, grant that I will not rebel against your leadership or grieve you in any way today (Isaiah 63:10).

You said, "Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption" (Ephesians 4:30).

I thank you, Holy Spirit, that you are my Helper and my teacher (John 14:26).

You are the Spirit of truth (John 14:17). Help me to love the truth and always speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15).

You are "the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD" (Isaiah 11:2).

You bring glory to Jesus by taking what belongs to Christ and declaring it to me (John 16:14).

"In Heaven" - God's Royalty

"Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent" (Psalm 104:1-2).

You lay the beams of your chambers on the waters; you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind (Psalm 104:3).

I praise you, Father, that though you are high and lifted up (Isaiah 57:15), you choose to have a personal relationship with me. You are always with me. "You hold my right hand" (Psalm 73:23).

"You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory. Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you" (Psalm 73:24-25).

"Hallowed Be Your Name" - God's Reputation

You tell us, "Consecrate yourselves, therefore, and be holy, for I am the LORD your God" (Leviticus 20:7).

May people see your holiness shining forth from my life. You have said to me, "as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all of your conduct" (1 Peter 1:15).

INTERCESSION

"Your Kingdom Come" - God's Reign

You have taught us, O Lord, to be waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ (Titus 2:13).

You promise those who love you and walk in your truth that when Jesus shall appear we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is (1 John 3:2). Then you exhort, "Everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure" (1 John 3:3).

Help me to be pure in my thoughts, words, and motives today.

Your kingdom is a spiritual kingdom in the hearts of men and women who are born again (Luke 17:21). May your kingdom grow as more and more as people come to know you as their Lord and Savior.

Bless, strengthen, and encourage all the evangelists who labor for you throughout the world (Colossians 4:3).

I pray for... (names of people who are not saved)... to be saved.

Oh God, as long as they are happy in sin, they will not sense their need for you. Therefore, cause the pleasures of sin to turn to gravel in their mouths (Proverbs 20:17). Hedge them in to your will and your way (Hosea 2:6).

May the day of their salvation be soon.

"Your Will Be Done, on Earth as It Is in Heaven" -God's Rule

You said that I am to examine everything carefully and to hold fast only to that which is good (1 Thessalonians 5:21).

I am to abstain from every form of evil (1 Thessalonians 5:22).

I am to allow you, God of peace, to sanctify me entirely (completely, every part) and to preserve my whole spirit and soul and body blameless until the coming of my Lord Jesus Christ. You call me to be entirely sanctified, and you are faithful; you will entirely sanctify me if I cooperate with you (1 Thessalonians 5:23-24). May the entirely sanctified life be mine each day as I remain fully surrendered to your will.

SUPPLICATION

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" - God's Resources for Us

Dear Father, Colossians 3:1 says, "If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God." I am to set my mind on things that are above, not on things that are on earth (Colossians 3:2). Help me to do this.

Father, please forgive me for ever murmuring or complaining about my circumstances. You have been better to me than I deserve.

I thank you for your promise to supply every one of my needs according to your riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).

I thank you for the emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual health with which you have blessed me.

I pray for... (whatever you feel you need that is within God's will for you).

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION

"And Forgive Us Our Debts, as We Also Have Forgiven Our Debtors" - Reconciliation with God

Father, James 3:2 reminds me, "We all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body."

My tongue is a little member of my body, but it can do enormous damage. You said the tongue is like a fire (James 3:5-6). Help me not to use my tongue in harmful ways or ways that displease you.

You tell us, "Confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working" (James 5:16).

Father, I confess my need to have a greater sensitivity toward other people and a greater ability to express Christ's love to them.

I thank you, Father, that you are good, and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you (Psalm 86:5). Thank you for forgiving my sin.

I join with the Psalmist and proclaim, "Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who

satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's" (Psalm 103:1-5).

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

"And Lead Us Not into Temptation, but Deliver Us from Evil" - God's Protection

LORD, help me to trust in you with all my heart and stop leaning on my own understanding. Help me in all my ways to know you (your mind—how you think about each situation I face) and to walk in your ways today. You promised that if I do this, you will make my paths straight (Proverbs 3:5-6).

May I have the wisdom that is from above: wisdom that is first pure, then peaceable, gentle (considerate), open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere (James 3:17).

You said, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8). Grant that my thoughts and motives be pure today in your sight.

I am to put on the helmet of salvation (Ephesians 6:17). May all my thoughts be taken captive to obey Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 10:5). Help me to quickly detect the thoughts the enemy places in my mind and to flee to the blood of Jesus for protection (Revelation 12:11).

Grant that I learn how to use the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God (Ephesians 6:17). May I

store up your word in my heart so that I will not sin against you (Psalm 119:11).

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

"For Yours Is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory, Forever" - Praise to God

Focus on the position of God, his power, his majesty, and his glory. Encourage your heart with praise.

"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all" (1 Chronicles 29:11).

"You bless the righteous, O LORD; you cover him with favor as with a shield" (Psalm 5:12).

LORD, I have set you always before me; because you are at my right hand, I shall not be shaken (Psalm 16:8).

You have heard my plea; you accept my prayer (Psalm 6:9).

"Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and

in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen" (Ephesians 3:20-21).

In the name of Jesus I pray this, Amen.

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