



**... and make them Joyful
in My House of Prayer**

Isaiah 56:7

Prayer

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Prayer

The Right Attitude

Before we pray to God, we must first understand who he is. God is vastly superior, and more holy than anything our mortal minds can fathom. When we go before God to make a request, there are no special word formulas, and no positive confessions that can force God to bow to our demands. God cannot be commanded or manipulated by anyone.

- **Daniel 4:35** All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?"
- **Psalms 8:3, 4** When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, 4 what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?

We must also realize who we are. We are weak, frail, Hell deserving sinners who are approaching a God who is infinitely holy, and is like a consuming fire. We must approach God only on the basis of his mercy through Jesus Christ, with fear, reverence, and humility.

- **1 Peter 5:5-6** ... All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." 6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.
- **Isaiah 57:15** For thus says the High and Lofty One Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, with him who has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, And to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

Hindrances to Prayer

As we just noted, God is not obligated to be our servant, on the contrary we must make every effort to enter his presence under the right conditions. There are many obstacles that make our prayers ineffective, or just plain worthless. If we know what displeases God, we can make the changes and increase our chances of being heard, and receiving answers. The following is a list of hindrances:

Sin Separates Us from God

By far the biggest issue that can kill our prayers is sin, unless you are praying for forgiveness and mercy. If anyone is living an unrepentant sinful life, their prayers are offensive to God.

- **Psalms 66:18-20** If I regard iniquity in my heart, The Lord will not hear.
19 But certainly God has heard me; He has attended to the voice of my prayer.
20 Blessed be God, who has not turned away my prayer, Nor His mercy from me!

- **Proverbs 15:8** The LORD detests the sacrifice of the wicked, but the prayer of the upright pleases him.
- **Proverbs 15:29** The LORD is far from the wicked but he hears the prayer of the righteous.
- **Proverbs 28:9** If anyone turns a deaf ear to the law, even his prayers are detestable.

Defiled Conscience

Similar to the sin problem, is the aftermath of the sin problem, which is a guilty conscience. There is only one remedy for this situation, that is to confess the sin to God, and ask for forgiveness and cleansing by the blood of Jesus. Sin must be dealt with, before approaching God for any other reason.

- **1 John 1:7** But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin** ... 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just **to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us** from all unrighteousness.
- Hebrews 9:14 ... how much more shall **the blood of Christ**, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, **cleanse your conscience** from dead works to serve the living God?
- **1 Timothy 3:9** ... holding **the mystery of the faith with a pure conscience**.

Unforgiveness

If we do not forgive others, we ourselves will not be forgiven. Anger, bitterness, and resentment can make our prayers void, until we truly forgive others.

- **Luke 11:2-4** He said to them, "When you pray, say: "Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. 3 Give us each day our daily bread. 4 **Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.** And lead us not into temptation. "
- **Mark 11:25, 26** "And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, **forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you** your trespasses.

Strained Relationships

If we are offended and bitter in any relationship, our conscience will be clouded, and our prayers will be hindered until we go to that person and set things right.

- **Mat 5:23, 24** "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, 24 leave your gift there in front of the altar. **First go and be reconciled to your brother;** then come and offer your gift.

- **1 Peter 3:7** Husbands, likewise, dwell with them (wives) with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, **that your prayers may not be hindered.**

Double Mindedness

When somebody is divided between serving God, and serving sin, their prayers will not be answered. You cannot serve two masters; we must choose one or the other.

- **James 1:6-8** Jas 1:6 But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. 7 **That man should not think he will receive anything from the Lord; 8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all he does.**
- **James 4:8** Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and **purify your hearts, you double-minded.**
- **Luke 16:11** So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? 12 And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own? 13 **"No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other.** You cannot serve both God and Money."

Hypocrisy & Wanting Recognition

Jesus was very clear that the prayers of the hypocrites were only for show, to receive the praise of man. Prayers to be noticed will actually increase the sentence of judgment against anyone who is like a play actor.

- **Matthew 6:5** "And **when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray** standing in the synagogues and on the street corners **to be seen by men.** I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. 6 But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. 7 And **when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans,** for they think they will be heard because of their many words.
- **Matthew 24:51** And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him **his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.**

Repeating Written Prayers

Religious people mindlessly repeat written prayers, they are speaking with their mouth, but their hearts are far from God. They think they are earning points by time spent and repetitions, but their prayers have no value.

- **Luke 20:46** "Beware of the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and love to be greeted in the marketplaces and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. 47 They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. Such men will be punished most severely."

- **Matthew 6:7** "And when you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.

Our Fleshly Desires War Against God

Sometimes we don't know what to pray for, or how to pray. If you have a need, it would seem obvious to just for what YOU WANT. This is one of the biggest problems, what YOU WANT, may not be what God wants for you, and it may not be his will. Remember how Jesus prayed and sweat drops of blood, saying not my will, but thy will be done. He also said, the spirit was willing but the flesh was weak, (Matt 26:39-41).

- **James 4:1-3** What is the cause of wars and fighting among you? is it not in **your desires which are at war in your bodies?** 2 You are burning with desire, and have not your desire, so you put men to death; you are full of envy, and you are not able to get your desire, so you are fighting and making war; you have not your desire, because you do not make request for it. 3 **You make your request but you do not get it, because your request has been wrongly made, desiring the thing only so that you may make use of it for your pleasure.**
- **Romans 8:5** For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. 6 **For the mind of the flesh is death, but the mind of the Spirit is life and peace;** 7 **because the mind of the flesh is hostile towards God;** for it is not subject to God's law, neither indeed can it be. 8 **Those who are in the flesh can't please God.**

We Need Help

We just saw a long list of hindrances, which only points to why prayer can be such a struggle. There are so many things that either keep us from praying, or from praying effectively. Even when we have the right attitudes, motives, relationships, and a strong desire to pray, we still fall short in our own strength. The Bible clearly tells us that we have weaknesses when it comes to prayer, and we all need help. Real prayer is not just words, prayer it is dependence on God, not only for the answer to prayer, but for the prayer itself.

- **Romans 8:26, 27** In the same way, **the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us** with groans that words cannot express. 27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because **the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.**
- **Ephesians 6:18** And **pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.** With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.
- **Jude 1:20** ... dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and **pray in the Holy Spirit.**

- **John 14:26** But the Counselor, **the Holy Spirit**, whom the Father will send in my name, **will teach you all things** and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

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The Desire to Learn

The disciples of Jesus were Jewish; they had observed and practiced their religion from birth. They had seen many "holy men" pray. Many of their ceremonies were laced with prayers that had been handed down for centuries. They had been exposed to prayer their entire lives. You would think that there would be nothing about prayer they did not know. However, when they saw Jesus pray, they were so greatly impressed that it created in them a desire to learn to pray like him.

- **Luke 11:1-10** "And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, **Lord, teach us to pray**, as John also taught his disciples.

Jesus Modeled a Life of Dependence

Possibly the most impressive teaching that Jesus gave his disciples regarding prayer, was the living example they saw in him every day. There were times in Jesus' ministry that they had no time to even eat, but at night when the disciples were exhausted and went to sleep, Jesus would go out by himself and pray all night. The physical stamina needed for his rigorous prayer life, was nothing less than a display of the power of God. This no doubt made a lasting impact on the disciples. Jesus was a living breathing example of total obedience, dependence and communion with the Father.

- **John 5:19** Jesus gave them this answer: "I tell you the truth, **the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing**, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.
- **John 5:30** **By myself I can do nothing; I judge only as I hear**, and my judgment is just, for I seek not to please myself but him who sent me.
- **Mat 14:23** And when he had sent the multitudes away, **he went up into a mountain apart to pray**: and when the evening was come, he was there alone.
- **Mark 1:35** And in the morning, **rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed**.
- **Mark 6:46-47** And when he had sent them away, **he departed into a mountain to pray**. And when even was come, the ship was in the midst of the sea, and he alone on the land.
- **Luke 5:15-16** But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities. **And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed**.

- **Luke 6:12-13** And it came to pass in those days, that **he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.** And when it was day, he called unto him his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;

Paul's Weakness was His Strength

The apostle Paul was also a role model of dependance on God. Paul said when I am weak, I am strong in Christ. The rich and powerful can peddle money and influence to deal with their problems. But the weak and poor are desperate, and they depend on God as their only hope, so they desperately and passionately cry out to God for help.

- **2 Corinthians 12:7** To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. **8** Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. **9** But he said to me, "**My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.**" Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.
- **James 2:5** Listen, my dear brothers: Has not God chosen **those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith** and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?
- **2 Chronicles 16:7-9** ... **For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him.**
- **James 5:16** ... and pray for one another, that you may be healed. **The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.** **17** Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and **he prayed earnestly** that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. **18** And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

Praying According to the Word of God

To discern the will of God when we pray, we should find a Bible verse that fits our situation, and pray in harmony with the scriptures. Quoting verses in prayer, when taken in context, gives us an assurance that we are praying the will of God. If quoting verses becomes our regular practice, we will memorize more of the Bible, and our prayers will be more powerful.

- **James 4:1** What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? **2** You want something but don't get it. You kill and covet, but you cannot have what you want. You quarrel and fight. You do not have, because you do not ask God. **3** When **you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.**

- **Daniel 9:12** ... **I, Daniel, understood from the Scriptures, according to the word of the LORD** given to Jeremiah the prophet, that the desolation of Jerusalem would last seventy years. **3 So I turned to the Lord God and pleaded with him in prayer and petition**, in fasting, and in sackcloth and ashes.
- **Hebrews 11:3** By faith we understand that **the worlds were framed by the word of God**, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.
- **Hebrews 1:2** ... has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; **3** who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and **upholding all things by the word of His power**,
- **2 Peter 3:2** that you may **be mindful of the words which were spoken** before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior ... **For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old**, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, **6** by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. **7 But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word**, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.
- **2 Timothy 2:15** Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, **rightly dividing the word of truth**.

Different Types of Prayer

It is also important to know the various types of prayer, and keeping these various components in balance is also important. In the Old Testament prayer was typified by incense, which was an integral part of their worship system. When Moses was instructed by God to make the incense, he was given precise specifications to follow. This incense was to be made of an even balance of spices, any variation from the pattern given by God could have severe ramifications.

- **Exodus 30:34** And the LORD said unto Moses, take unto thee sweet spices, **stacte**, and **onycha**, and **galbanum**; these sweet spices with pure **frankincense**: of each shall there be a like weight (there shall be equal amounts of each, NKJV).
- **Psalms 141:2** Let **my prayer be set before you like incense**; the lifting up of my hands like the evening sacrifice.
- **Rev 8:3-4** Another angel, who had a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much **incense to offer, with the prayers of all the saints**, on the golden altar before the throne. **4** The smoke of the incense, together with the prayers of the saints, went up before God from the angel's hand.

There were four ingredients to the incense, and the Apostle Paul also mentioned four types of prayer, **Supplications, Prayers, Intercessions, and Giving of Thanks**. The real point of the matter is that we should have a balance of different types of prayer. This will also help us so that our prayers do not become boring, monotonous, or repetitious.

- **1 Timothy 2:1-4** I urge, then, first of all, that **requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving** be made for everyone 2 for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. 3 This is good, and pleases God our Savior, 4 who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.
- **1 Corinthians 14:14, 15** For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful. 15 So what shall I do? I will **pray with my spirit**, but I will also **pray with my mind**; I will **sing with my spirit**, but I will also **sing with my mind**.
- **Ephesians 5:19-20** Speaking to yourselves in **psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart** to the Lord; Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;
- Questions about praying or speaking in tongues will be answered in the study on the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

God's Courtroom

Jesus used the example of a persistent widow pestering a judge, as an example of what our attitude should be about prayer. We keep bringing our petitions over and over, until our prayers are answered.

- **Luke 18:1-7** Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them **that they should always pray and not give up**. 2 He said: "In a certain town **there was a judge** who neither feared God nor cared about men. 3 And **there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him** with the plea, '**Grant me justice against my adversary.**' 4 "For some time he refused. But finally, he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, 5 yet **because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!**'" 6 And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. 7 And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? 8 I tell you; **he will see that they get justice, and quickly**. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Ultimately, as we bring our petitions in prayer, we are entering the great courtroom of heaven, to go before the throne of grace. God is the judge, and when Abraham interceded for Lot before the destruction of Sodom, his plea to God was surely you won't destroy the righteous with the wicked, shall not the judge of all the earth do what is right? Abraham was presenting a case for Lot, like an attorney would before the judge.

- **Hebrews 4:16** "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."
- **Genesis 18:25** "Far be it from You to do such a thing as this, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous should be as the wicked; far be it from You! Shall not **the Judge of all the earth** do, right?"

Jesus is Our Attorney

We have a better intercessor than Abraham, Jesus is the one who represents us before the Father, and he has purchased our pardon with his blood. And now he ever lives to make our case for us.

- **John 2:1** My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, **we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ** the righteous:
- **1 Timothy 2:5** For there is one God, and **one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;**
- **Hebrews 7:24** But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood. 25 Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since **He always lives to make intercession** for them.

We also have an adversary, who wants to destroy us, and he is called the accuser of the brethren, who is always seeking an opportunity to destroy. This is another reason why prayer is such a battle.

- **1 Peter 5:8** Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.
- **Revelation 12:9** So **the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan**, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. 10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for **the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.**

One day the accuser will be cast out of heaven, but for now we have to battle his army in prayer. But God has equipped us with superior weapons, and we have the victory in Christ.

- **2 Corinthians 10:3** For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. 4 For **the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God**, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.
- **Ephesians 6:12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places ...18 **praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit**, being watchful to this end **with all perseverance and supplication** for all the saints.

We are given a description of the type of battles that take place in the heavenly realms when we pray, it is found in the book of Daniel. Daniel prayed for understanding of visions that he had, and the angel Gabriel was sent to him. But to get to Daniel the Gabriel had to battle the evil angels that ruled over the area of Persia, and afterwards he would have to battle the evil angels who were ruling over Greece.

- **Daniel 10:12** Then he said to me, "Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, **your words were heard**; and I have come because of your words. 13 "But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days; and behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left alone there with the kings of Persia ... 20 Then he said, "Do you know why I have come to you? And now I must return to fight with the prince of Persia; and when I have gone forth, indeed the prince of Greece will come.

Let Us Reason Together

Regarding prayer we have seen terms that relate to making your case in court, or using military tactics and strategies to win a victory. This shows us that we must be diligent to research and prepare to present our arguments from the law (word of God) before the judge. Also, we must be diligent, alert, and armed for battle with the sword of the Spirit, and fight the good fight. Both require rational intelligent communication, with either the judge or the commander.

- **Isaiah 1:18** "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD:

The Hebrew word translated here as "reason", literally means to: argue, decide, dispute, judge, plead, and rebuke. In other words, God says, come let us argue, come let us decide, come let us dispute, come let us judge, come let us plead, and come let us rebuke with each other. In order to do all that we need to use all our reasoning and rationalization skills.

This is not just a light or frivolous chat; this is a major conference. When Job was in affliction and assailed by the accusations of his friends, he was like a lawyer ready to present his case in court before God:

- **Job 13:15,18** (NASV) "Though He slay me, I will hope in Him, Nevertheless I will argue my ways before Him (to his face). Behold now, I have prepared my case. I know that I will be vindicated.

Prayer Outlines

It's up to you to decide what your commitment to prayer will be. It's up to you enlist as a prayer warrior, to get your marching orders, build your arsenal, engage in the battle, balance your attack. It's up to you to enter the courtroom as an intercessor, to do your research, prepare your arguments, state legal precedence, present your case before the God the judge.

Everyone has their own way to pray. We have included some outlines below that may help your understanding, and help you develop your prayer life.

Types of Prayer

Casual Prayer	Meals, Trips, etc.
Community Prayer	Church Meetings, etc.
Committed Prayer	Daily, Personal
Combat Prayer	Intercession, Spiritual Warfare
Continuous Prayer	Praying Always, Spirit of Prayer

The Subject of Prayer

- All Men
- Kings Leaders, Presidents, etc...
- Rulers Those in Positions of Authority
- Family
- Church
- Lost Souls
- Provision, Healing, etc....

The Purpose of Prayer

- Governments To Live Peaceful, Godly Lives
- That Souls That they would be Saved
- The Church Spiritual Understanding, Discernment

There are 7 Days a Week to Pray for the 7 Continents of the World

- **Isaiah 56:7** ... these I will bring to my holy mountain and give them joy in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; **for my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.**"

- Monday Australia/Antarctica
- Tuesday Central & South America
- Wednesday Europe
- Thursday Africa
- Friday Asia
- Saturday Israel (Jews), Middle East (Muslims)
- Sunday USA, Canada, The Church

Jesus on Prayer

Matthew	5:44	Pray for enemies (Lk. 6:28)
	6:5, 6	Don't pray to be seen of men
	6:7	Don't use vain repetitions
	6:9 -13	An outline for prayer
	9:38	Pray for workers in the harvest
	26:41	Pray in times of trials (Lk. 22:32, 40-46)
Mark	11:24	Pray in faith
Luke	18:1-8	Perseverance in prayer
	18:9-14	Humility in prayer
John	17:6-19	Prayer for disciples
	17:20-26	Prayer for all believers

First Church Examples of Prayer

Acts	1:24	Prayer to appoint a new apostle
	4:23-31	Prayer for boldness
	6:6	Prayer to appoint deacons
	8:15	Prayed to receive The Holy Spirit
	13:1-3	Prayed to send out missionaries
	14:23	Prayed to appoint elders

Paul's Prayers for the Churches

Ephesians

Eph 1:16-19, For the church to have wisdom, revelation, knowledge, understanding of Christ's mighty power

Eph 6:18-20 Prayers, supplications, for perseverance, boldness to preach the mystery of the gospel

Philippians

Php 1:3-11 God will finish his work in us, that our love will grow in knowledge and discernment

Php 4:6-7 In everything by prayer, supplication, thanksgiving, requests, peace shall guard the heart & mind

Colossians

Col 1:3-12 Be filled with knowledge, wisdom, spiritual understanding, walk worthy, fruitful, strengthened, with power, patience, longsuffering with joyfulness, giving thanks

Col 4:2-4 Prayer, thanksgiving, open a door to speak the mystery of Christ

Col 4:12 Pray that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God

Thessalonians

1 Th 5:17,18 Pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus

1 Th 5:22-24 God sanctify your whole spirit, soul, body be preserved blameless unto the coming Jesus Christ.

2 Th 1:11-12 Pray God count you worthy, fulfil all his good pleasure, the work of faith with power:

2 Th 2:16-17 God give everlasting consolation, hope, grace, comfort, establish you in word and work.

2 Th 3:1-2 Pray the word may have free course & glorified, to be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men

Paul to Timothy

1 Tim 2:1-4 I exhort supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

James on Prayer

Jas 5:13-17 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any sick among you? pray over him, the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he has committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

Quoting Bible Verses

Quoting Bible verses is a great way to pray, this is a starter list, your list can be endless. Verses below been condensed here; we recommend that you read the full verses in your Bible.

Prayer Verses for Warfare

Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power over all the power of the enemy: nothing shall hurt you.

Matthew 16:18-19 I will build my church; the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven: what you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: what you shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

2 Corinthians 10:3-6 Our weapons are mighty through God to pull down strong holds; casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God,

Isaiah 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

Psalms 18:2-42 For by thee I have run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over a wall ... He teaches my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms ... for thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast subdued under me those that rose up against me. Thou hast also given me the necks of my enemies; that I might destroy them that hate me ...

Psalms 149:6-9 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand; to execute vengeance, to bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute the judgment written:

Prayer Verses for Healing

Isaiah 53:4-5 He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Exodus 15:26, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that heals you.

Psalms 103:2-5 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgives all thine iniquities; who heals all your diseases; Who redeems your life from destruction; who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies; Who satisfies thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Matthew 9:35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and **healing every sickness and every disease** among the people.

Matthew 12:15 But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, **and he healed them all;**

Acts 5:16 There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: **and they were healed every one.**

Luke 7:7 Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: but **say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.**

Psalms 107:19-20 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saveth them out of their distresses. **He sent his word, and healed them,** and delivered them from their destructions.

Luke 9:11 And the people, when they knew it, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, **and healed them that had need of healing.**

Deuteronomy 33:25 Thy shoes shall be iron and brass; and as thy days, so shall thy strength be. {Thy shoes: or, Under thy shoes}

Deuteronomy 34:7 And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: **his eye was not dim, nor his natural force (vigor) abated.**

Malachi 4:2 But unto you that fear my name shall **the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings;** and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

Acts 4:29-31 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word, By **stretching forth thine hand to heal;** and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

Prayer Verses for Salvation

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, **not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.**

Ezekiel 18:32 For **I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD:** wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.

Ezekiel 33:11 Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, **I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live:** turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

1 Timothy 1:15 This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that **Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners;** of whom I am chief.

Luke 19:10 For the **Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.**

Hebrews 7:25 Wherefore **he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him,** seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them. {to the...: or, evermore}

Matthew 1:21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name **JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.**

Romans 10:13 For **whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.**

Psalms 34:18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; **and saves such as be of a contrite spirit.**