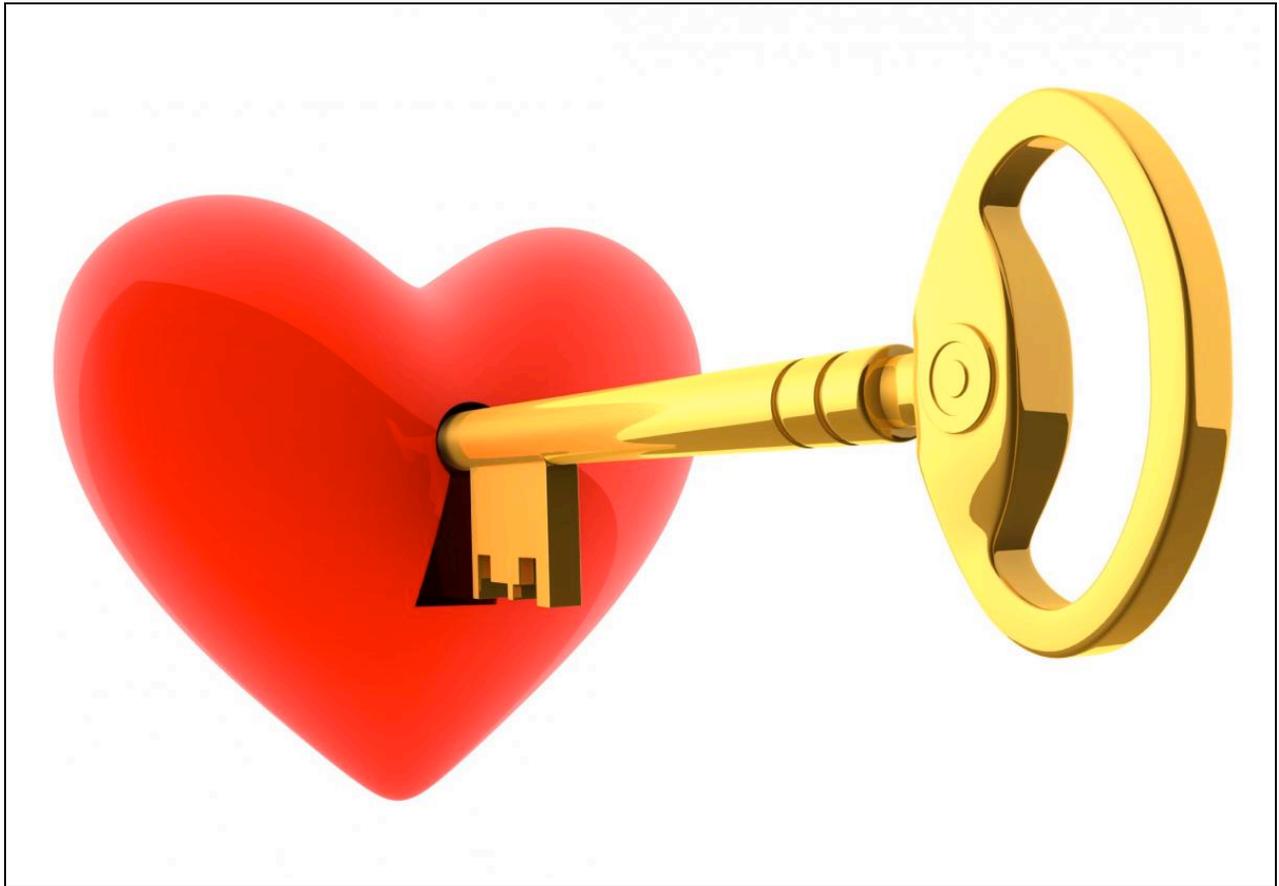


# ***PRAYER KEYS FOR MEN ONLY***



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## **Introduction**

The Word of God commands us to pray ceaselessly. Deuteronomy 6:5-7 says “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.”

So often we find ourselves in situations where we don't know how or what to pray. With these Prayer KEYS you have a starter set of prayers that you can adapt for just about any situation or occasion. We hope that you will find them a blessing to you and those God puts on your heart to lift before His throne of grace.

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## **Dedication**

These Prayer KEYS are humbly dedicated to all men who desire to be God's priest in their home by allowing Him to restore a biblically Hebraic understanding of our relationship with Yeshua Ha Mashiach as the primary guiding relationship for marriage and family.

Our prayer is that these pages will encourage you as you seek the Father's face and guidance in fulfilling your God-given calling in your home and the workplace.

There is no higher calling than to minister God's love and grace to your wife and children and those God brings across your path.



## **A Soldier's Prayer**

I asked God for strength,  
    that I might achieve;  
I was made weak,  
    that I might humbly learn to obey.  
I asked for help,  
    that I might do greater things;  
I was given infirmity,  
    that I might do better things.  
I asked for riches,  
    that I might be happy;  
I was given poverty,  
    that I might be wise.  
I asked for power,  
    that I might have the praise of men;  
I was given weakness,  
    that I might feel the need of God.  
I asked for all things,  
    that I might enjoy life;  
I was given life,  
    that I might enjoy all things.  
I got nothing I asked for,  
    but everything I hoped for.  
Almost in spite of myself, my unspoken prayers  
    were answered.  
I among all men am most richly blessed.

An anonymous Confederate Soldier wrote these lines during the Civil War.  
It is my prayer that God will bless you and yours as richly as He did this soldier!



## The Morning Watch

“Remember the morning watch” is a slogan that was developed on the campus of Cambridge University in 1882. Some dedicated young men soon discovered a flaw in their spiritual armor. Time for prayer was taking a back seat to the requirements of obtaining an education. Their days were filled with lectures, studies, games, and bull sessions.

In looking for a way to close up this small crack before it became a spiritual disaster, they came upon the idea of the morning watch. It is a plan for spending the first minutes of the day alone with God in prayer and Bible reading.

Call it what you want--the morning watch, quiet time, or devotional time--these precious moments at the start of each day explain the inner secret of a life dedicated to Christ. The intimacy of communion with Christ must be addressed in the quiet morning hours. It's the thread that ties every great man of God together from Moses to David Livingstone, the prophet Amos to Billy Graham, rich and poor, businessmen and military personnel. Every man who ever achieved great things for God made sure he found time to be quiet before the Lord. This was key to putting God first in all his priorities.

David says in Psalm 57:7, “My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed.” A fixed and established heart produces a stable life. Few men in the Christian community have this heart and life. One reason for this lack is that they don't have a workable plan for beginning and maintaining a morning watch.

In order to get under way, start with seven minutes. Are you willing to take seven minutes every morning to seek God for His will for you and your family?

How do you spend these seven minutes? After getting out of bed and taking care of your personal needs, you will want to find a quiet place where with your Bible you can be alone with God for at least seven minutes.

**Prayer For Guidance** -- Take the first thirty seconds to prepare your heart. Thank Him for a good night's sleep and the opportunities of this new day. “Lord, cleanse my heart so that You can speak to me through Your Word. Lord, open and fill my heart. May my mind be alert, my soul active, and my spirit open to You. Surround me with Your presence during this time. Amen.” Because of your obedience, you will find God's promise for you in Psalm 143:8



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**Reading The Bible** -- Now take four minutes for reading the Bible. Your greatest need is to hear a specific word from God. Allow God's word to melt your heart. Meet the Author! One of the gospels is a good place to start. Start with the book of Mark. Read until God brings a Rhema Word to your mind. Don't race. This is Bible reading for the pure joy of reading and allowing God to speak. When you have finished one book, start another. By now you'll want to go ahead and read the entire New Testament in the coming year. *Because of your obedience, you will find God's promise for you in Psalm 119:18*

After God has spoken through His book, then speak to Him in prayer. You now have two and a half minutes left for fellowship with Him in four areas of prayer that form the acrostic ACTS.

**Adoration** -- This is the purest kind of prayer because it is all for God. You would not barge into the presence of royalty. You begin with a proper greeting. It is the same with God. Worship Him. Tell Him you love Him. Reflect on His greatness, power, majesty, character, manner and sovereignty. *Because of your obedience, you will find God's promise for you in 1 Chronicles 29:11.*

**Confession** -- Having seen Him, you now want to be sure every sin is confessed, cleansed, and abandoned. Confession comes from the root word meaning "to agree together with." Applied to prayer, it means to agree with God. Something happened yesterday that I exaggerated slightly...God calls it a lie! I call it strong language...God calls it swearing. I call it telling the truth about somebody in the church...God calls it gossip. "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me (Psalm 66:18)." *Because of your obedience, you will find God's promise for you in 1 John 1:9.*

**Thanksgiving** -- Think of several specific things to thank God for. Reflect on: • your family • your business • your church and ministry responsibilities • thank Him even for your trials. "In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you (1 Thess. 5:18)." *Because of your obedience, you will find God's promise for you in Ephesians 5:20.*

**Supplication** -- Humbly and earnestly ask for others and then for your self. This is the part of your prayer life where you make your petitions known to Him. Why not include other people from around the world? *Because of your obedience, you will find God's promise for you in Matthew 7:7.*

This is only recommended as a guide. Soon you will discover that your heart will be overflowing with things that you want to share with the Lord, and your time with Him will begin to expand. Don't become devoted to the habit but to the Savior.



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Don't begin your morning watch because others have done it. Don't look at it as a chore every morning or even as an end in itself. Instead covenant with God to guard, nourish, and maintain your morning watch with Him. This will enable you to practice His presence daily and establish a steady walk with Him each and every day.

This idea caught fire back in 1882, and a remarkable spiritual blessing was culminated with the departure of the Cambridge Seven for missionary service. That band of prominent athletes and men of wealth and education gave up everything to go for Christ.

Maybe it is an idea whose time has come again. Why not get started now! Procrastination will only steal your time. Don't be concerned if early in the morning doesn't work for you. Set a definite time and place, develop a workable plan, and ask God for a committed heart.

“As the Spirit of the Lord works within us,  
We become more and more like Him.”  
(2 Cor. 3:18 Living Bible)

Adapted from Seven Minutes With God By Robert Foster



## Ten Steps To Powerful Prayer

1. **CONFESS** your sins and cover them with the blood of Jesus. 1 John 1:9
2. **SUBMIT** to God with your whole being. “Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time.” 1 Peter 5:6
3. **BE STILL** and know that He is God. Psalm 46:10
4. **BELIEVE** that God will hear and answer. “Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.” Hebrews 11:6
5. **DO BATTLE** in the spiritual realm. “For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in heavenly realms.” Ephesians 6:12
6. **LISTEN** to the voice of the Holy Spirit. “However as it is written: ‘No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him’--but God has revealed it to us by His Spirit.” 1 Corinthians 2:9, 10
7. **ASK GOD** for what He tells you to pray. “I will do whatever you ask in My name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask Me for anything in My name, and I will do it.” John 14:13, 14
8. **JOIN TOGETHER** in agreement with other believers. “If two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by My Father in heaven. For where two or three come together in My name, there am I with them.” Matthew 18:19, 20
9. **PERSIST** until the answer comes! “Keep on asking and it will be given you; keep on seeking and you will find; keep on knocking and the door will be opened to you.” Matthew 7:7
10. **PRAISE** the Lord that He has heard, and He will answer according to His will. 1 John 5:14, 15

And I will do whatever you ask in My name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask Me for anything in My name and I will do it. John 14:13-14



## **Keys To Unhindered Prayer**

“Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers (1 Pet. 3:7).”

Father, in Yeshua’s name, I pray that:

1. I will treat my wife with respect and honor her.
2. I will be considerate of my wife, not take her for granted, and with Your help seek to understand her needs and desires.
3. I will remember that my wife is my partner not my property.
4. I will make building our home my first business.
5. I will lead my wife in establishing family discipline.
6. I will not expect her to be wife and wage earner without my help.
7. I will not think that my business is none of hers.
8. I will enter into our home with cheerfulness.
9. I will not let anyone criticize my wife to her face-not parents, relatives, or friends.
10. I will highly esteem our home by remembering the Sabbath to keep it holy.



## **Praying From God's Perspective**

Our most important privilege and responsibility are to pray for our families. We cannot intercede for our families if we do not believe that God is in control. We must relinquish all control to Him. Failure to do this will turn our prayers into judgment or unproductive sympathy for those we are praying for. This only hinders God's best for our families and us. First we must hear from Him to get His mind, and then we can pray in agreement with Him!

Intercession means intervention or mediation for a person or circumstance, but it should not be from our strength and understanding. Intercession depends on keeping ourselves completely open to the Father and His will. We can only truly intercede when we have the Father's heart and mind. Men often are not willing to wait for God's perspective but try to take things into their own hands. True intercession puts the individual or situation totally in God's hands for Him to act.

As husbands and fathers, we should always seek the Father's heart and try to keep pace with Him. If we try to do anything in our own limited power or knowledge, we will soon find ourselves "under our circumstances" rather than on top of them. When we assume we know more than God has already spoken to us, we have gotten ahead of Him and will find our prayers hindered.

Our responsibility is to present everything to God for His direction and our marching orders. We must be careful not to try and fix the fix that God has fixed, or He will have to fix another fix. The Father's desire is that the person or circumstances that He has put on our heart will arrive before Him without any meddling on our part. Allow the One who has all knowledge to work His will in the lives of those for whom He calls us to pray. When we pray in this way, we acknowledge that the One who has redeemed us will do the same for those we love.

We should always pray and not give up (Luke 18:1).

## Protecting My Family

Never before has there been such an attack upon the families of believers. Satan is trying every way to destroy God's church, and so far he has had some success. The church is no stronger than its families. Recent surveys reveal that 90 percent of fathers are not fulfilling the role that their children need. This fact is supported by a report that fathers spend on the average less than one minute a day in conversation with their children. If this trend continues, Satan will succeed in his present efforts to destroy the body of Christ through its families. As fathers we must assume our priestly role in the family and take the authority that God has given us through His word, thereby defeating the works of Satan. We must fulfill our God-given roles in protecting and leading our families in God's way. In doing so, we must spend quality time in training and discipline our children. We must set a godly example.

- I. **The Binding of Satan** -- Satan is loosed upon the whole family. He particularly desires to enter every Christian home to capture sons and daughters. Every father must be alert. (Mat. 18:18, 12:29; Mark 3:27; Luke 10:17, 19; 11:21-22)
- II. **The Destruction of Satan's Strongholds** -- Although the implements of Satan's warfare are "spoiled," he is reluctant to concede. He tenaciously retains his ground and maintains his devilish grip upon some "stronghold" within that struggling son or daughter. (2 Cor. 10:4, 5; 1 Pet. 5:8, 9; Heb. 2:14, Rom. 8:37, John 8:32, Jam. 4:7, Eph. 6:10-13)
- III. **Establishing God's Will for Our Families** -- As godly fathers it is our responsibility to pray that His will be done in the lives of every member of our family. Our children, businesses, and all our possessions are His and need to be dedicated to Him for His will to be accomplished.

We must live our lives, as our first priority, in such a manner as to bring glory to God and be beyond reproach of man and accusation of Satan.  
(Mat. 6:33, 2 Tim. 2:4)

We must develop the characteristic in our lives necessary to establish the protective "hedge" -- blamelessness. (Job 1:1-10)

Our sin will make the "hedge" ineffective for our families.  
(Num. 14:18, Exod. 20:5, 34:6, 7; Deut. 5:9)



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Obedience to God makes the trials effective in our lives. (Exod. 22:30)

Building a “hedge of thorns” through prayer can restore a rebellious family member.

-- Hosea’s example of what happened as a result of the hedge of thorns:

- Gomer lost direction.
- Her lovers lost direction.
- She returned to Hosea. Hos. 2:5-7

-- Jesus’ example-- Luke 22:31-32

-- Jesus’ prayer-- John 17:12

Prayer that establishes a “hedge of thorns” concerning an individual or circumstance always produces positive results. God’s word never fails. When should the hedge be removed? If the person rejects the truth, remove the “hedge of protection” and allow the Lord to carry out further discipline (1 Cor. 5:5).

Husbands and fathers, I pray that you will seek the Lord regarding these scriptures, that you might know His will for your family as you pray what breaks His heart back to Him.



## **A Prayer For My Family And Home**

### **A Morning Prayer for the Priest of the Home**

Lord, I come before You this day to ask forgiveness for any known or unknown sins (God knows, so be specific. No sin should be concealed, Prov. 28:13).

Father, as Your priest in this home, I come to you in the precious name of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you that You have washed me in the blood of Your Son. You have clothed me with Your righteousness and anointed me with Your Holy Spirit. Thank You that my spiritual sacrifice is acceptable to You because of the atonement made for my sins by Your sacrificial Lamb.

Thank you, Lord, that You are present during my daily sacrifice of prayer at the beginning and the end of each day (Exod. 29:42-43). I acknowledge that prayer is the most powerful tool I have to protect my family and myself from the schemes of Satan. I ask you in the name of Jesus Christ to act in our behalf, and in His mighty name, I bind and break any prayer that has been offered for us that is not in Your perfect will. Father, my family is covered with the precious blood of my Savior, Jesus Christ. I present my family to You as an offering ... (Name them). Anoint them with spiritual oil--the Holy Spirit, and bless them. Thank You that as the priest in my home You have given me this right and responsibility.

Father, I ask Your continued blessings on us. Send warring angels to surround and protect us from all evil and all harm (Heb. 1:14). Dispatch ministering angels to minister Your love and peace to us. I pray Your full armor on us (Eph. 6:11-17). Lord, You are our rear guard (Isa. 52:12, 58:8).

Father, I dedicate to You all property and possessions that You have given to us as your stewards, and I pray the blood covering of Jesus Christ over them all. I ask this in the precious name of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, in whom I have all authority and spiritual strength. I now rest in the assurance that we are fully protected and equipped to stand against all the fiery darts that Satan might try to send our way (Psa. 5:3, Jam. 5:16).

### **An Evening Prayer for the Priest of the Home** (Repeat the Morning Prayer and add the following)

In the name of Jesus Christ, I bind and rebuke any evil spirits that we have allowed into our home this day by our disobedience. I loose them from any assignment concerning my family and put the precious blood of Jesus and His name between us. I command them to depart this home, in Jesus' name. Lord, I ask You to bless us with refreshing sleep and only good dreams in the precious name of Jesus. Amen!



## **Praying For My Wife**

These prayers are personalized scriptures that will challenge you in your most important duty as a husband--praying for your wife. Like none other, your prayers provide a covering of grace and protection for her. Make this commitment, "As for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by failing to pray for my wife (1 Sam. 12:23). I affirm my responsibility of loving, covenant-keeping headship of my wife. The husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, His body, of which He is the Savior (Eph. 5:23). I realize that my head is Christ, and the head of Christ is God (1 Cor. 11:3). O Lord, help me to be her loving head as You are mine, according to Your perfect plan. Thank You for being Lord over all in our home."

Look up the scripture verses from time to time to "glean" all God might have for you to pray in each verse. As you are reading your Bible devotionally, you will want to watch for other scripture promises to claim for your wife and other truths to pray into her life.

Pray for her from the top of her head to the soles of her feet using the word of God. Present every part of her body to God, as His vessel of righteousness and grace (Rom. 6:13-14).

It's your job to love her and cherish her. It's God's job to make her a loving wife.

### **HER SPIRIT**

Father, because Jesus is her Savior and Lord, Your Holy Spirit abides in my wife, according to 1 John 2:20, By Your gracious Spirit, grow in her life Your abundant fruit, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control (Gal. 5:22-23), as she dedicates herself to being filled daily with Your Spirit.

### **HER MIND**

Lord, open her mind to see You in the scriptures and receive Your truth (Luke 24:45). By Your work in her, she is made new in the attitude of her mind. I pray that she will choose to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness (Eph. 4:23-24). I pray that she will not be conformed to this world but be transformed by renewing her mind, so that she will be able to discern and accept Your good, pleasing, and perfect will (Rom. 12:2).

I pray that my wife will know You intimately as her Lord and Savior. May she seek You alone, the source of all wisdom and knowledge (Col. 2:2-3). May she make it a priority to grow in knowing You and all Your ways (Phil. 3:8-10). May she obey You with her every thought (2 Cor. 10:5). May she not be carnally minded which is death, but allow Your Spirit to control her thoughts, which is life and peace (Rom. 8:6, 9).



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I pray that she will remember what You taught her, and let Your words enrich her life (Col. 3:16). Fix her mind on Your heavenly perspective so she does not worry about things on earth (Col. 3:1-3). Cause her thoughts to dwell on what is true, good, right, pure, lovely, and admirable in her circumstances and in others. Remind her to think about everything she has to praise You for (Phi. 4:8).

### **HER EYES**

Keep her eyes firmly fixed on You, Lord (Heb. 12:2). Open her eyes to see spiritual truth (Psa. 119:18, 2 Kings 6:17). You are the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6).

May she keep her eyes open for spiritual danger, be spiritually alert, stand firm in the faith, and be courageous and strong (1 Cor. 16:13). Help her to watch out for sly attacks from the enemy (1 Pet. 5:8). Keep her spiritual senses tuned to desire and expect Your presence in her life continuously (2 Cor. 11:3). Keep her looking into Your perfect word that gives freedom, doing what she reads there, so that You may bless her (Jam. 1:25). May she clearly discern what is best so that she may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ (Phi. 1:9-11). Grant her the Spirit of wisdom and revelation to enlighten her heart, so that she may know You better, understand Your glorious inheritance in her, and experience Your great power daily in practical ways (Eph. 1:17-19).

### **HER EARS**

Dear Father, faith comes by hearing, and hearing comes by Your word (Rom. 10:17). I pray that my wife will receive Your instruction (Psa. 78:1). May she be sensitive to Your gentlest whisper of guidance (Isa. 30:21). Awaken her morning by morning to listen You. When You speak to her, I pray she will not be rebellious or draw back from following You fully (Isa. 50:4-5). May she receive your discipline (Deut. 4:36) to warn her of the penalties of sin, to turn her from wrongdoing, and to keep her from pride (Job 33:17).

### **HER MOUTH**

Let her words and her thoughts be pleasing in Your sight (Psa. 19:14). Give her Your words so that she may know how to encourage the weary or misguided ones (Isa. 50:4). Open her mouth in godly wisdom and faithful instruction (Pro. 31:26).

Grant her boldness for You (Acts 4:29, Eph. 6:19). Open many doors for her to share the good news of Jesus, and give her Your words freely, fully, and clearly. May she make the most of every opportunity as your ambassador (2 Cor. 5:20). May her words always be gracious, so that she may know how to answer everyone (Col. 4:3-6). Whatever she does or says, let it be as an expression of the love, grace, and humility of Jesus (Col. 3:17).



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Help her to stay her heart on You, so that she will not complain or argue (Phil. 2:14). Set a guard over her mouth (Psa. 141:3). Remind her not to say hurtful or judgmental things about others, but to say only what is wholesome and helpful for building others up according to their needs (Eph. 4:29). I pray that we will talk to each other much about You, quoting psalms, singing songs, making music in our hearts to You (Eph. 5:19).

### **HER BONES**

May my wife not be wise in her own eyes, but fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring health to her body and nourishment to her bones (Pro. 3:7-8). Satisfy her and strengthen her body, so that she will be like a well-watered garden, like an unfailing spring (Isa. 58:11).

### **HER HEART**

May my wife worship You with wholehearted devotion and a willing spirit, for You, Lord, search the heart and understand every motive (1 Chron. 18:9). Enable her to obey Your command to love You with all her heart and with all her soul and with all her strength and with all her mind (Luke 10:27). Draw her close to Your heart, so that her heart will be filled with You alone to make her pure and true (Jam. 4:8).

Thank You for Your promise: "I will give you a new heart. I will remove your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and cause you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws (Ezek. 36:26-27)." Create in my wife that new, clean heart, O God, filled with clean thoughts and right desires (Psa. 51:10). You desire her to be teachable, so warn her not to harden her heart toward You (Psa. 95:7-8).

Help her to guard her heart with all diligence, for it is the wellspring of life (Pro. 4:23). Cause her to speak good and not evil. Empower Your goodness in her heart to overflow to others continually and in increasing measure (Luke 6:45).

I pray she will trust in You, Lord, with all her heart, and acknowledge You in all her ways, and not lean to her own understanding. Thereby You promise to direct her in wise choices (Pro. 3:5-6). I pray that she will let Your peace rule her heart as Your word dwells in her, so that by the example of her confidence in You, she may teach others with all wisdom and with gratitude in her heart to You (Col. 3:15-16). I pray that Christ will be more and more at home in her heart as she trusts in You. May her foundation be established deep in Your marvelous love. Enable her to understand and experience how wide and long and high and deep Your love really is, although it is so great we can never get to the end of it, so that she may be filled up with all the fullness of God (Eph. 3:17-19). See to it, Lord, that no root of bitterness grows in her heart and causes trouble in her relationships (Heb. 12:15).



### **HER ARMS**

Make her arms strong for the tasks You give her (Pro. 31:17). Cause her to look to Your grace for her strength every morning, her salvation in time of distress (Isa. 33:2). Remind her that you say, "Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength.

He will dwell in the parched places of the desert. But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in Him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit (Jer. 17:5-8)." May she never fail to bear fruit in every good work, drawing from Your eternal fruitfulness (Col. 1:10).

At Your direction, may she open her arms and extend her hands to the poor and needy (Pro. 31:20). Arm her with strength for Your spiritual battles and make her way perfect in obedience to You (Psa. 18:32, 39).

### **HER HANDS**

I pray that she will continue to bless You, Lord, as long as she lives, lifting up her hands to You in prayer (Psa. 63:4). Train her hands for prayer warfare, subject to You as her Commander in Chief (Psa. 18:34). Cause her to be a strong soldier of the cross in the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and keep her from entanglements that would hinder her from carrying out all service that is pleasing to You (2 Tim. 2:1, 3-4).

### **HER LEGS**

May she use all Your armor to resist the enemy whenever he attacks, so that she may stand strong in You (Eph. 6:10-13). Help her to lay aside every weight and the sins that would trip her up, so she can run with patience the race that You have set before her not looking to the left or the right (Heb. 12:1). Enlighten her to recognize the counsel of the ungodly, so that she will not walk in it. Instead, cause her to delight in Your truth, knowing that You promise to watch over the way of the righteous (Psa. 1:1-2, 6).

Help her to walk by faith, and not by sight (2 Cor. 5:7). Teach her to hope in You, as You promised in Isaiah 40:31--"Those who wait on the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

May her walk with You consistently glorify You. Fill her with all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that she may walk worthy of Your name and please You in every way, growing in knowing You, being strengthened with all power according to Your glorious might, so that she may have great endurance, patience, joy, and gratitude to the Father (Col. 1:9-12).



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Thank You for lifting her out of discouragement when things get tough and she is tempted to despair. Thank You, too, for setting her feet on a firm, sure path (Psa. 40:2). Continue to make her steadfast as she walks along with You (Psa. 66:9). Thank You that You delight in each step she takes and You direct her confidently (Psa. 37:23). Thank You for giving her power to tread on all the power of the enemy and to overcome him in all things (Luke 10:19).

### **HER CHARACTER**

I know that a good wife is worth more than jewels. Help her to mature as a woman of noble character with our family having full confidence in her. Strengthen her to do our family only good all the days of her life. Give her joy as she serves our family with willing and diligent hands in routine chores. Give her wisdom and grace in all business dealings. Help her to attend in good order to all the affairs of our household. Give her poise and dignity. Develop in her the inward beauty of a quiet and gentle spirit. May she enjoy the respect of others because of the fear of the Lord upon her life (Pro. 31:10-31, 1 Pet. 3:4).

Help us both to walk in the light of Jesus, so that we have unbroken fellowship with You and with each other (1 John 1:7). Enable both of us to honor You by submitting to each other (Eph. 5:21). Give patience, faithfulness, and encouragement, and help us to live in complete harmony with each other--each of us with the attitude of Christ toward the other (Rom. 15:5). Keep us both vigilant to guard against any separation of spirit between us.

Let me prize her and love her as Christ loves His bride, the church, and unselfishly give myself for her so that she might be holy and blameless before You (Eph. 5:25-28). Teach me how to nurture her and cherish her (Eph. 5:28-29) and treat her respectfully as a joint-heir of the gift of life in Christ Jesus, so that my prayers will not be hindered (1 Pet. 3:7).

Lord, I will not get weary in praying for my wife. This is my most important responsibility toward her. I will keep praying, watching for Your answers and remembering to thank You when they come (Col. 4:2). I know that as I pray for my wife, and as the Holy Spirit helps her, you will cause all things to work together for the good of our marriage (Phi. 1:19, Rom. 8:28).

Now glory be to You, God, who by Your mighty power at work in both of us is able to do far more than we could ever dare to ask or even dream of--far beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes. May You receive all the glory in our lives and in Your church forever (Eph. 3:20-21). Amen.



## **A Prayer For Our Marriage**

I pray, Lord, that You will enable both of us to honor You by submitting to each other (Eph. 5:21). May You, Who are patience, faithfulness, and encouragement, help us to live in complete harmony with each other--each with the attitude of Christ toward the other (Rom. 15:5). As a result, may we live happily in Your love through the days of life (Eccl. 9:9). May she be faithful and true to me, rejoicing in the husband of her youth. May my tender embrace satisfy her. May my love alone fill her with delight. May I ever be captivated by her love (Pro. 5:15, 18, 19). Let her know that she can love me and that I am dedicated to helping her all my life.

Lord, I will not get weary in prayer, but keep praying and watching for Your answers. I will thank You when they come (Col. 4:2). I will keep on rejoicing in You, for I know that as I pray for my wife, and the Holy Spirit helps us, everything works for our good and your glory (Phi. 1:19, Rom. 8:28-29).

Glory is to You, God, Who, by Your mighty power at work in my wife and me, is able to do far more than I could ask or even dream of--beyond my highest prayers, desires, hopes, or thoughts. Glory is to You through endless ages (Eph. 3:20-21). Amen.



## **Intercessory Living**

Father, I acknowledge that I have nothing to offer my wife and children without Jesus. I specifically ask that You enable me to serve them by exhibiting these godly attributes in my life:

### **Praise**

Her children rise up and bless her; her husband also, and he praises her (Pro. 31:28).

### **Inspiration**

Many daughters have done nobly, but you excel them all (Pro. 31:29).

### **Understanding**

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things (1 Cor.13:7).

### **Trust**

The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain (Pro. 31:11).

### **Consideration**

Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers (1 Pet. 3:7).

### **Service**

Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind let each of you regard one another as more important than himself; do not merely look out for your own personal interests but also for the interests of others (Phil. 2:3-4).

### **Forgiveness**

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ Jesus also has forgiven you (Eph. 4:32).

### **Encouragement**

Encourage one another, and build up one another, just as you also are doing (1 Thess. 5:11).



## **Prayer Of Forgiveness For My Wife**

Lord, I thank you for the mind of Christ that enables me to forgive my wife as You have forgiven me.

My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from Him. He alone is my fortress, I will never be shaken (Psa. 62:1-2, 5). Thank You for creating my wife in Your image and that the basis of our marriage must be You. I acknowledge that my responsibility is to place all my expectations on the altar to You. I forgive my wife for not yet becoming all You created her to be. I forgive all her offenses against me, even while I honestly acknowledge sin, weakness, and failure for what they have been and still may be. I accept her with all the wounds, hurts, and needs that she has. She needs the healing that I, too, can only receive from You. I will look for the real person You intend her to be, and in Your name, I will affirm it.

I look to You, my Savior, for the affirmation I've wanted so badly from her. Love her through me. As I forgive and accept her, Jesus is released to guide me to husband my wife and father our children according to Your perfect plan. Perfect in me the character of the husband You intend for me to be.

Thank You, my wife, for responding to God's plans for us to pledge our lives to each other.

I forgive you that you cannot always affirm me, because you have not yet received all of God's affirmation of your life and therefore are not totally affirmed yourself. I forgive you that you cannot yet see me or treat me as God created me to be but tend to see many things in terms of your own needs. I forgive you for not being able to completely love me or give me the total love I long for. I realize that no human being can give me what I must look only to Jesus for. Forgive me for expecting of you what only Jesus can and should give.

I accept you as you are. I choose no longer to strive with you, demanding that you change, demanding that you love me, demanding that you meet my needs or understand my feelings.

I now truly forgive you. I do not judge you, but I do renounce the wrong that has wounded me. I will no longer give your actions permission to wound my spirit or our family. In the name of Jesus, the following actions:...will no longer have the power to wound me.



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In the name of Jesus who is my healer and my life, I am an overcomer in the power of the Holy Spirit. By God's grace working in me, I will honor you as a person whom Jesus died for and in whom He lives. Only Jesus can enable me to love you the way you deserve to be loved. I can now bless you, expecting nothing in return. I can now love you unreservedly with the heart of the Father, by the grace of the Son, and in the power of the Spirit.

Heavenly Father, I thank You for hearing this prayer, and for enabling me to accept and fully forgive my wife, so that I am no longer bound by unforgiveness, bitterness, resentment, anger, or judgment. I am free in You, seated at Your right hand, ruling and reigning in Christ Jesus. I am released to be a channel of Your freedom and healing love to my wife and my family. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.



## Praying For Our Children

The assignment to pray for our children is absolutely essential to raise up a generation that will meet the enemy at the gates (Gen. 22:17, Psa. 127:5). We pray that these prayers and Scriptures will undergird this most important responsibility and privilege.

Lord, what do You want for our children?

Guide me by Your Spirit as I pray for them according to your will. Help me release them to You so that You can accomplish Your will for their lives. Forgive me if I try to live my life over through them. Keep me from binding them by my needs, wants, and ambitions for them. Get me out of Your way so that You can work the life of Christ in them and give them Your best. Give me the grace to wait on You, for Your timing is perfect. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Pray that they would:

**1. Receive and love Jesus as their Savior** -- I pray that my children will come to understand that You, God, so loved them that You gave Your one and only Son for them, that because they believe in Him, they will have life forever with You.

- John 3:16 -- For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

**2. Commit their lives to His Lordship and obey His command to be filled with His Spirit** -- I pray that my children will recognize that Jesus is the name above all names and will confess Him as Lord of all, to Your glory, Father. I pray that they will trust Him with all their heart, not lean on their own understanding, and acknowledge His Lordship in everything they do; thus, You will guide them in the best way for them. I pray that they will be filled with Your Spirit, to the measure of the fullness of Christ.

- Philippians 2:9-11 -- Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 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.
- Proverbs 3:5-6 -- Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.
- Ephesians 5:18 -- Be filled with the Spirit.



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- Ephesians 1:23 -- ...his body, the fullness of Him who fills everything in every way.
- Ephesians 4:13 -- ...until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

**3. Know the God of Israel and cherish and apply all His names** -- I pray that my children will desire to truly know You, Father. May they love their Messiah, know Him intimately, and powerfully apply His names and the character they represent to all their needs.

- Daniel 11:32b -- The people who know their God will firmly resist the enemy.
- Philippians 3:10 -- I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,
- Psalm 9:10 -- Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.

**4. Learn to pray and praise** -- I pray that my children will learn to communicate with You, their loving heavenly Father. Put Your praise in their hearts and on their lips continually. Lead them to be entirely dependent on You for everything, so that they talk with You about all things and give You the praise, honor, and glory that only You deserve.

- Mark 10:14-15 -- Jesus said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."
- Matthew 21:16 -- From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise.
- Philippians 4:6 -- Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

**5. Know who they are in Christ** -- I pray that my children will know how precious they are to You. Teach them to base their identity and security on Christ. Give them Christ-centered confidence and Christ-centered worth. Give them Your mind about how You see them and how You feel about them. As Your creations, help them to fully know who they are in Christ and what they can do through Him.



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- Ephesians 1:4, 7, 11-14 -- For he chose us in Him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ...to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins. In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, in order that we...might be for the praise of his glory. And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance -- to the praise of his glory.

- Colossians 1:27 -- To them God has chosen to make known the glorious riches of Christ in you, the hope of glory.

**6. Be protected from the evil one by the covering blood of Jesus** -- Protect my children by the covering blood of Jesus. I pray that my children will know the power of the blood of Jesus to defeat all the works of the evil one. By the blood of Jesus, bind the evil one from interfering with Your perfect purposes in the lives of my children.

- John 17:15 -- My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one.

- 1 John 4:4 -- The one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

**7. Receive the love of God the Father** -- I pray that my children will know Your Father-heart and truly receive the assurance of Your great love. Let them know by experience how extravagantly and unconditionally You love them. Father them with Your holy love, so that they know without a doubt that you are always working in their lives through Your love.

- 1 John 3:1 -- How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

**8. Love the word of God** -- I pray that my children will treasure Your word more than wealth. Teach them to love Your commands and base their lives on Your Word as the standard of life. Give them the light of understanding as they humbly seek You in Your word. Teach them to plead Your unbreakable promises and defeat all the lies of the enemy with Your truth revealed in Your word.

- Psalm 119:127-130 -- Because I love your commands more than gold, more than pure gold, and because I consider all your precepts right, I hate every wrong path. Your statutes are wonderful; therefore I obey them. The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.



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- Psalm 119:159-162 -- See how I love your precepts; preserve my life, O Lord, according to your love. All your words are true; all your righteous laws are eternal. My heart trembles at your word. I rejoice in your promise like one who finds great spoil.

**9. Learn to hate sin and love holiness, righteousness, and the fear of the Lord --** I pray that You will write Your word on the hearts of my children, so that they will choose the obedience of hating sin and loving Your holiness. Work out in their lives the holy fear of You and the righteousness that Jesus has already bought for them. Cause them to please You in all they do. Help them to not just keep a set of rules of right and wrong. Create in them a pure heart. Make them wise in what is good and innocent about what is evil. Move them to dedicate their lives to you as living sacrifices.

- Psalm 119:9, 11 -- How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to Your word. I have hidden Your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.
- 2 Timothy 2:22 -- Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.
- Romans 16:19b -- I want you to be wise about what is good and innocent about what is evil.
- Proverbs 8:13 -- To fear the Lord is to hate evil; I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech.

**10. Grow up into maturity in the Lord --** I pray that my children will be built solidly on the foundation of Jesus and grow in Your grace with a conscious sense of Your presence conforming them to be like You. May they continue to be built up with Your wisdom, favor, truth, love, life, faith, strength, and thankfulness.

- Luke 2:52 -- Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.
- Ephesians 4:15 -- Speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.
- Colossians 2:6-7 -- So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.



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**11. Glorify God in their bodies as His temple** -- I pray that my children will honor You by keeping their bodies pure because they are the temple of Your Holy Spirit. Teach them the great price You paid for their holiness through Christ Jesus.

- 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 -- Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.
- Romans 12:1 -- Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship.

**12. Respect those in authority** -- I pray that my children will submit to the authorities You have placed over them as though it were You. Let them understand that You have established loving, wise covering for their own good through parents and others in authority over them. Cause them to obey and not reserve for themselves the right to choose whether to obey, which You call rebellion. Give them a joyful, grateful heart as they submit to Your ordained authorities.

- Romans 13:1 -- Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.
- Ephesians 6:1 -- Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.
- Ephesians 3:22-25 -- Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to win their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord. Whatever you do, work at with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving. Anyone who does wrong will be repaid for his wrong, and there is no favoritism.

**13. Have healthy, edifying, wise friendships** -- I pray that my children will develop friendships based on the drawing of Your Holy Spirit. Give them friendships that are true, healthy, and mutually encouraging. Give them wisdom in choosing relationships that will encourage them in their walk with You.

- Psalm 119:63 -- I am a friend to all who fear you, to all who follow your precepts.
- John 15:13-14 -- Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command.



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**14. Know the truth and renew their minds in the truth of God's Word** -- I pray that my children will know Your truth in their hearts as well as their heads. I pray that they will base their life on Your truth instead of Satan's lies, so that they will experience all the freedom that Jesus died to give them. I pray that they will daily renew their minds in Your word and set their thoughts on what is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, and worthy of praise.

- John 8:32 -- Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.
- Romans 12:2 -- Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--his good, pleasing and perfect will.
- Philippians 4:8 -- Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable-- if anything is excellent or praiseworthy--think about these things.

**15. Walk wisely in the ways and wisdom of God** -- I pray that my children will be delighted with Your ways and Your wisdom, that they will commit everything they do to You and trust You to show them the blessings of obedience. Let them not trust in themselves but put you first in everything. Let their actions reflect the light of Your goodness, righteousness, truth, and wisdom in all they do. Day by day fulfill all Your will for them.

- Psalm 37:4-6 -- Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn.
- Proverbs 3:5-6 -- Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.
- Ephesians 5:8-10, 15-17 -- For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord. Be very careful, then, how you live--not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.

**16. Have the joy of the Lord** -- I pray that You alone will be the joy of my children. Fill them with Your joy both inside and out, so they won't pursue the world's pleasure.

- Philippians 4:4 -- Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!
- Nehemiah 8:10 -- The joy of the Lord is your strength.



## *Prayer Keys For Men Only*

**17. Seek to please God, not self, and serve others, not self--** I pray that my children will desire to only please You in their thoughts and actions and not be people-pleasers.

I pray that they will have servant's hearts and give to others like Jesus and not seek to be served.

- Matthew 4:10b -- Worship the Lord Your God, and serve Him only.
- Psalm 19:14 -- May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.
- Mark 10:43-45 -- Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

**18. Learn who the enemy is and resist him victoriously --** I pray that my children will humbly submit to God and resist the devil, thereby defeating him. May they discern the evil one's tactics and not entertain his lies in their thoughts nor be entrapped by his snares. I pray that they will receive Your strength and resurrection power for every spiritual battle.

- 2 Corinthians 2:11 -- ...in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes.
- James 4:7 -- Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.
- Ephesians 6:10 -- Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

**19. Maintain their first-love devotion to Jesus --** I pray that Jesus will be the first love of my children. Cause them to love Him with all their heart, soul, strength, and mind. I pray that they will prize His affection above all else.

- Philippians 3:13-14 -- Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.
- Luke 10:27 -- He answered: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"



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**20. Find the godly life partner that God is preparing, a mate who will complement them in their obedient walk with the Lord** -- I pray that in Your timing You will bring my children the life partners You have chosen for them. I trust that You are developing the character of Jesus in them. May their walk with You be an undeniable testimony that You made them for each other. Make them a mighty witness for You. Bless them with Your best.

- Proverbs 12:4, 31:10 -- A wife of noble character is my husband's crown, but a disgraceful wife is like decay in his bones. A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies.
- Psalm 112:1-2 -- Praise the Lord. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands. His children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

***I prayed for this child, and The Lord has granted me What I asked of Him..***

~ 1 Samuel 1:27 ~

## **Prayer Of Release**

Because Jesus Christ is my Lord, I free you from my anxiety, fears, and control. I trust the Holy Spirit to draw you and show you the way that is right for you -- the way of love, joy, and peace and all that salvation includes.

I place you at God's throne of grace. I will not impose my will on you. I know that I cannot live your life for you. I have given you to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are a very special person. As much as I love you, God loves you more. Your life today is totally in His hands, and I trust Him with it.

In Jesus' name... I give you my blessings, I loose you, I let you go.

In His love,



## Ten Scriptural Convictions

The Ten Commandments are the foundation, which every man should accept in his heart, and teach his family in order to protect them from destructive influences of wrong desires, false philosophies, and temptations from the world, the flesh, and the devil. As the head of my house, I commit to pray these truths.

**First Commandment:** “Thou shalt have no other gods before me (**Exod. 20:3**).” *Rejecting inspiration makes a god of our intellect. God alone is sovereign, and the Bible is His inspired Word and the final authority for my life.*

**Second Commandment:** “Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven images nor serve them (**Exod. 20:4-5**).” *My purpose in life is to seek God with my whole heart and to build my goals around His priorities. Partial obedience is a sin.*

**Third Commandment:** “Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord God in vain (**Exod. 20:7**).” *It is amazing how much God can accomplish when we don't care that He gets all the credit. I will not do what I want to and put God's name on it.*

**Fourth Commandment:** “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy (**Exod. 20:8**).” *My church congregation must teach the foundational truths of the Bible and reinforce my basic convictions. Jesus Christ must be lifted up above all else.*

**Fifth Commandment:** “Honor thy father and thy mother (**Exod. 20:12**).” *A child's honor permits a father to teach. My children and grandchildren belong to God, and it is my responsibility to teach them scriptural principles, godly character, and basic convictions.*

**Sixth Commandment:** “Thou shalt not kill (**Exod. 20:13**).” *This can also be applied in a spiritual sense. My activities must never weaken the scriptural convictions of another believer.*

**Seventh Commandment:** “Thou shalt not commit adultery (**Exod. 20:14**).” *Immorality dishonors God. My marriage is a life-long commitment to God and to my marriage partner.*

**Eighth Commandment:** “Thou shalt not steal (**Exod. 20:15**).” *Am I being a good steward of all that God has entrusted to me? My money is a trust from God and must be earned and managed according to scriptural principles.*

**Ninth Commandment:** “Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor (**Exod. 20:16**).” *Is what I am about to say true, and can it be said in love? My words and attitude must be in harmony with God's word, especially when reproofing or restoring a believing brother.*

**Tenth Commandment:** “Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, or anything that is thy neighbor's (**Exod. 20:17**).” *God calls coveting, idolatry, which deserves His wrath. I must not be defiled by the lusts of the world. My affections must be set on things above.*



## **Just For Today**

Psalm 15:1-2 describes the heart of the man who would be intimate with God. “Lord, who may dwell in your sanctuary? Who may live on your holy hill? He whose walk is blameless and who does what is righteous, who speaks truth from his heart.” Psalms 26 and 112 say “Amen” to that picture. “Praise the Lord! Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands. Your love is ever before me, and I walk continually in your truth. I love the house where you live, O Lord, the place where your glory dwells (Psa. 112:1, 26:3, 8).”

Using the following questions, see if your life is a holy dwelling place where the glory of the Lord is at home. God will bless such a man and his household.

- Is there anything more important to me than my Lord?
- Has my conduct brought honor and glory to Him?
- How much time did I spend with Him this day?
- Did I begin and end my day with Him?
- Did I take my concerns and hurts to Him?
- Have I learned what He is teaching me from all situations?
- Have I spent time in His word that I might know Him and His will and renew my mind?
- Do I acknowledge that I am forgiven only because of the blood Jesus shed for me on the cross?
- Have I been willing to do what He called me to do?
- Have I prayed for those people and situations He has put on my heart?
- Have I truly repented for those sins I have committed that hurt Him and others?
- Have I esteemed others as greater than myself?
- Am I developing a servant’s heart?
- Have I been willing to humble myself so that He might be glorified?
- Have I praised Him in all things and for all things?



## **When You Don't Know What To Pray Pray God's Sovereignty**

- God is sovereign. All authority, all power is His. **Matthew 28:18.**
- Nothing takes Him by surprise. All circumstances are His servants. He knows the end from the beginning. **Psalm 119:91, Isaiah 46:9-10.**
- His word is forever settled in heaven. **Psalm 119:89.**
- He does all things for our good and His glory, to conform us to the likeness of Jesus. **Romans 8:28-29.**
- There is no circumstance, person, place, or time that the blood of Jesus does not cover. The one who spared not His own Son will freely give us all His best things. **Romans 8:31-32.**
- He promises that He is for us and nothing can separate us from His love. That was settled on the cross. **Romans 8:35-39.**
- His loving kindness never ceases. His compassions never fail. They are new every morning. His faithfulness is great. **Lamentations 3:22-23.**
- He supplies all our needs by His riches in Christ Jesus. **Philippians 4:19.**
- He knows and cares. The very hairs of our head are numbered. **Matthew 10:30.**
- He promises that He is God of all comfort, Father of mercies. **2 Corinthians 1:3-4.**
- He is able to supply His abundant grace to us in this situation, so that in all things, at all times, we have all of His sufficient grace we need for encouragement and hope. **2 Corinthians 9:8.**
- He is able to show His perfect power in our weakness. **2 Corinthians 12:9-10.**
- We can know with certainty that He is able to guard what we have entrusted to Him. **2 Timothy 1:12.**
- He promises that He is our everything. This includes our strength, our shield, our strong tower, our refuge, our hope, our joy, and our peace. **Psalm 18:1-3, Colossians 3:11b.**
- He promises to renew our strength as we wait on Him. **Isaiah 40:31.**
- He promises that He never leaves us nor forsakes us. He is with us, a very present help. **Hebrews 13:5-6.**
- He never goes back on a promise. **Joshua 21:45.**
- He has a heart that tears can touch and invites us to climb up in the Father's lap and just cry. **Hebrews 4:15. Psalms 56:8.**
- He gives gladness instead of sorrow and praise instead of fainting. Weeping endures for a night, but He gives the joy that comes in the morning. **Isaiah 61:3, Psalm 30:5.**
- He is enthroned on the praises of His children. **Psalm 22:3.**
- When we lift Him up continually in a sacrifice of praise, we glorify Him in this situation here-and-now. **John 12:28a.**

**Father, glorify Your name this hour.**



## Prayer Guidelines

1. **Yield leadership to the Holy Spirit.** You both are responsible for hearing from God during each prayer session. Wait on Him to give you His prayer concerns and the things which are breaking His heart.
2. **Limit extraneous conversation.** Subdue the flesh, or you will spend more time talking about needs than praying. Pray requests, not answers. The power is in praying, not talking.
3. There are two very effective patterns for prayer:
  - A. **Pray conversationally.** Pray one topic at a time, allowing each person the opportunity to pray as he or she feels, instead of just taking turns having each person pray from “Dear Father” to “In Jesus’ Name.” Start with a season of praise and thanksgiving, then confession either silently or aloud, then move to intercession and petition. Close with thanksgiving and praise to God for meeting you in this prayer time.
  - B. **Pray a Psalm, verse by verse.** Let God lead each of you to pray a response to each verse. Move on to the next verse, as He directs. This is dynamite for prayer partners and especially for couples. Start with Psalms 9, 20, 23, 25, 27, 33, 34, 86, 91, 92, 101, 103, 111, or 146.
  - C. **Be sure to give God time to speak, by allowing time to listen to Him.** Listening time is frequently more important than speaking. Do not be intimidated by silence in His presence (Psa. 46:10).

Most of all, make an appointment with God to pray together regularly and keep it.

“The devil trembles when he sees  
The weakest saint upon his knees.”

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