



21 DAYS OF PRAYER

PRAYER FOCUS GUIDE

January 9th–29th

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Take a moment to reflect on where it is hard for you to release control and trust God in your life.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, I acknowledge my need for You. I repent for living my life independently of You and trying to hold onto control. I surrender to You. You are Lord and have authority over my whole life. It is no longer I that live, but Christ lives in me. I give You my eyes, ears, and mind; be Lord over all that I consume and think about. I surrender my mouth, hands, and feet; guide my words and actions. I surrender my relationships, my work and my desires to You. Thank You for laying your life down for me when I didn’t deserve it. You are my Redeemer and my Deliverer. Come and have Your way in my life. Amen.”

Take a moment to write down or think about what you need today. Bring Him your needs and desires. Trust Him to provide.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, You are my Shepherd and my Provider. I thank you for your faithful provision in my life. [Verbalize your recollections of how God has provided for you both in the past and present.] I acknowledge that everything I need today will come from You. You made the heavens and the earth and You are more than capable of handling any situation I am dealing with. I acknowledge that You are good and all of Your ways are good. I trust Your provision for my life, and I choose to be content in all that I have. Amen.”

Take a moment to think about where you desire to see the power of God show up in your life.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, You are a God of miracles; You are unchanging and all-powerful. I know there are times I question and doubt what You can do, but God, I pray that You would open up my heart and expand my perspective of who You are and what You are doing. Give me a heart to believe You, trust You and to know that Your power is great. Your power is made perfect in my weakness. I humble myself under the mighty hand of God. I ask You today for a fresh filling of Your Spirit and that Your power and love would fill my life. Amen.”

Holiness

JAN 12 // DAY 4

Ask God to show you any area of your life that does not reflect His nature and holiness. Ask Him for help to take steps towards holiness.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, thank you for calling me out of darkness into Your light. Thank you that my old self has been crucified with Christ and it is no longer I who live, but Christ that lives in me. Search my heart and reveal any wicked or unwholesome way in me. Continue to purify my heart and lead me on the path of righteousness. Help me to walk in Spirit and truth and submit to Your guidance in every moment of every day. Amen.”

Take a moment to honestly assess who or what you run to when you are looking for wisdom and why you do that.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, You are all-knowing, the source of true wisdom and wisdom itself. Your ways and thoughts are higher than mine. Continue to develop in me a holy fear of You, helping me to be in awe of who you are and what you do. For Your Word tells me that fear of the Lord is the beginning of all wisdom. I know there is an enemy who wants to deceive me and confuse me, but you are not an author of confusion. Bring clarity to my thoughts, instruct me and give me a growing desire for Your understanding and insight. Help me to use the resources You have given me wisely and to lean not on my own understanding, but in all things submit to You. I trust You. Amen.”

Pause and think about what is weighing you down, robbing your joy or taking your focus away from what truly matters.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, I thank you for being my source when I feel weighed down or tired. You are a safe place for me. No matter how difficult my life gets, You are always inviting me to come close to Your love, lean on Your support, and to live in Your peace. I rest in You today. I acknowledge that no matter what is happening, You are in control. I can trust in your plan for me and I believe it is good. I do not want to get caught up in busyness or activity. Fill my life with what You know I need and give me strength to set aside what I do not need. Amen”

Reflect: Where have you felt isolated or alone? Do you have deep, meaningful friendships? Are there people you need to reach out to? Do you have community that is intentionally or unintentionally leading you away from Jesus?

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, I admit I cannot live in isolation and independence. Please continue to surround me with people that will be a godly influence and encouragement. Help me to become that kind of person to others. Help me to clothe myself with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Help me be willing to set healthy boundaries so that I can live in community that encourages me into Christlikeness, but also allows me to influence those who don’t know you. Amen.”

Ask God to expose the places in your life and thinking where it is difficult for you to receive grace or give grace.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, thank You for your abounding love and unmerited favor; thank You for Your grace. There is nothing I can do to add to or take away from Your love for me. Help me to see myself the way You see me. Help me to see others the way you see them. Empower me to be a witness to your patience, goodness, kindness, and gentleness. As I am reminded of the grace and mercy you have given me, allow me to display that to those around me. Open my eyes to see and act on opportunities to display Your love to those around me for Your glory! Amen.”

Invite God into the relationships, conversations, and circumstances that steal your peace. Ask Him to show you what is really going on in your heart.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, You keep in perfect peace all who trust in You and all whose thoughts are fixed on You. Meet me in this moment as I fix my thoughts on You. I surrender my reasons for being anxious, worried or stressed because You are trustworthy and You are good. I let go of the relationships and things that I am trying to control. I recognize we are all created in Your image and that You have great purpose for each of us. Help me to see others as You see them and to be a vessel of peace. Amen.”

Invite God into your conversational life. Ask Him to bring to mind both words that you have spoken or that have been spoken over you, that do not line up with what He says about you or His love for people.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, I repent of the thoughtless words I have spoken and of the words I have spoken in anger or in gossip. Help me be quick to listen and slow to speak. Help me to consider my audience before speaking. Remove any resentment or bitterness from my heart and mouth and fill me today with your love. Help my words to overflow with love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness and self-control. Give me courage to address difficult conversations and empower me to speak truth in grace. Amen.”

Take inventory of the people in your life that need either physical healing or relational healing.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, You are the Waymaker, Promise Keeper and Miracle Worker. I pray against sickness and cancer and ask You to do the miraculous. I pray you would pour out Your joy and peace on those suffering from anxiety and depression. I pray you would heal relational wounds and that people would encounter your love, forgiveness, acceptance and healing. God, You are our Great Physician and our first response, not our last resort. Thank you for Your love and care. Amen.”

Forgiveness

JAN 20 // DAY 12

Just as God has forgiven us, we are expected to do the same for others. Take a moment to ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the names or faces of people that you need to forgive.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, thank you for the forgiveness you have so graciously given me. Help me to follow you and forgive those that have hurt me. Today, I resist the temptation to live with unforgiveness. In faith, I choose to forgive [name the people He brought to mind] just as you have forgiven me. I lay down all hatred, bitterness, and anger that I have harbored in my heart. Instead, I ask You to fill my heart with love, joy, peace, and contentment. Amen.”

Having a grateful heart can change your entire perspective and outlook on life. Take inventory of all the blessings in your life and give thanks to God.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, thank You for love, care and provision. You know all I need. You love me and your desire for me is good. In the moments where I feel like I am missing out on something, help me to be content and resist the temptation to want more than I need. Help me to align my heart and mind with Your will for me and my relationships. Everything in my life is a gift from You. You are enough for me. My eternity is in Your hands. Amen.”

Take a moment to think about or write down the people in your life that are far from God or do not have a personal relationship with Jesus.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, I pray for the people that You brought to mind. [Take a moment to verbalize their names.] I pray you would draw their hearts to you and help them to recognize their longing for more in life is only something You can provide. Open their ears to hear Your voice. Remove all hindrances and distractions from the enemy that might be keeping them from Your truth. I pray that they would be able to see you clearly, recognize Your love for them and give their hearts to You. Amen.”

Invite God into the situations and circumstances that feel broken or hopeless around you.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, You are my Redeemer. Thank you that nothing can separate me from Your love and the place I have in the Kingdom. You are making all things new and with You all things are possible. What the enemy mean tor evil or harm, God turn it for Your good. When I am struggling with pain and hurt, remind me that the suffering of this world is temporary and that the victory is Yours. When it feels like there is no way through, You make a way. Redeem the time and help me to live the rest of my life submitted to Your leading and being led by Your Spirit. Amen.”

Vision

Take some time to surrender your future plans to God and ask Him to help you see how you can live with eternity in mind.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, help me to think about your heart for me and our world and to not be consumed with what I want or with what I want to do. Give me a vision for how I can continue to be with you, become like you, and do what you did and what next steps I need to take. Give me urgency in my soul to give up everything in this life for You. Help me not miss out on the good work you have prepared in advance for me to do and to have a stronger desire to store up eternal treasure in heaven. Let it not be for my glory, but for Yours alone. Amen.”

Leadership

JAN 25 // DAY 17

Spend time praying for those in leadership around you or over you. This might be governmental leadership, church leadership, parents, employers, etc.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, I pray for our leaders. Bless them and guard their hearts as only You can do. Help them to govern with integrity, justice, and mercy. Continue to pour out vision and insight to them as the lead. Give them strength, passion and wisdom to lead well. Amen.”

Our City

JAN 26 // DAY 18

Think about your neighborhood, your workplace, the grocery store you shop at, the restaurants you eat at, the school(s) you or your kids attend, etc. Ask God to increase your desire for His Kingdom to be established in those places.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, thank you for this city and placing me here at this time. I pray you would do a significant work in our city. May Your power and presence fill all the businesses, schools, and streets. Help me and our church be a part of bringing light to our city and let our city be a light for You in a dark world. There are so many people hurting and in need. Give us wisdom and and resource to meet the practical needs of our city and spiritual needs of our city. Let Your love guide, protect and change our city for Your glory. Amen.”

Reflect on all the babies, kids, and teenagers you know today. Take a moment to pray for both their salvation and future.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, I lift up and pray earnestly for the spiritual well-being of the next generation. I pray that they would be a generation who seeks You and worships You and You alone. Open their eyes to see their need for You and give them the will and power to call upon the name of the Lord as their God. Help them to run from ungodly influences and anything that stimulates youthful lusts. Empower them to be a generation that pursues righteousness, faith, love, and peace. Amen.”

Blessing & Favor

JAN 28 // DAY 20

Spend time reflecting on the blessings in your life and the things you are thankful for.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, Thank you for the many ways You have blessed me and watched over me. [Tell Him specific things He brought to mind.] I pray that You would give me greater provision so that I can generously give to others and help meet their needs. I pray for greater spiritual gifting so that I can strengthen the Church and be more effective for the Kingdom of God. I pray for an outpouring of wisdom and discernment so I can help point people to You and make decisions that honor You. Help me to remain a good steward of all you entrusted to me and all you have blessed me with. Amen.”

Thank God for making His presence available to you. Praise Him specifically for who He is and how He has moved in your life and in our church throughout the 21 Days of Prayer.

PRAY THIS WITH US:

“God, I am in awe of You! Your name is a strong tower, a place of safety for me. You are my Healer, my Shepherd, my Banner of Victory, my Peace, my Sanctifier. You are good and worthy of all my praise and more. Help me today to remain in a posture of praise whenever my heart is tempted to complain or doubt. Help our church and me to remain expectant for and focused on where you are leading us when we are tempted to fall back into what was comfortable or familiar. Thank You for all You have done in my life and the life of our church over the last 21 days! I worship You and You alone. Amen.”

