

TAKE WORDS WITH YOU

SCRIPTURE PROMISES & PRAYERS / A MANUAL FOR INTERCESSION

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There is no one
who calls upon your name,
who rouses himself
to take hold of you.

Isaiah 64:7

I sought for a man among them
who should build up the wall
and stand in the breach before me for the land,
that I should not destroy it,
but I found none.

Ezekiel 22:30

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Why This Manual Was Written

Prayer is certainly one of the hardest tasks in the Christian life though it is also one of its greatest privileges. Perhaps the hardest part of prayer is just to begin praying at all. But once we start praying another great challenge quickly arises: “How does one pray so that prayers actually get answered?” Scripture gives us a clear answer to this dilemma:

And this is the confidence that we have toward him,
that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.

1 John 5:14

This, then, gives us a key to answered prayer. And it also reveals how we can offer our prayers in true faith. We must pray according to God’s will. God’s will is revealed in many ways in the Scriptures but this manual focuses primarily on just two of those: **Scripture Promises** and **Scripture Prayers**. Since the promises of God reveal what God desires and intends to do, when we pray his promises back to him we are definitely praying “according to his will”.

The great puritan pastor John Owen believed so strongly in the link between God’s promises and prayer that he said,

“What God has promised, all that he has promised,
and nothing else, are we to pray for”

John Owen Volume 4: The Work of the Holy Spirit in Prayer p.275

He went on to emphasize the vital role promises have in stirring our faith for prayer:

“We are to pray in faith and faith respects God’s promises.
If therefore we understand not what God has promised,
we cannot pray at all”

John Owen Volume 4: The Work of the Holy Spirit in Prayer p.276

It is through the promises centered on Christ that faith springs to life and we “get in on” what is promised. Faith is essential for getting hold of each promise and yet, mysteriously, each promise actually generates the confident faith that is required to take hold of it in prayer!

→ ***Since then we have a great high priest***

who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are,
yet without sin.

→ ***Let us then with confidence***

draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14-16

In the previous edition (edition #4) 1500 Scripture Promises were categorized for ready use in prayer. In this edition (edition #5) many hundreds of Scripture Prayers have also been added to the same categories along with many Faith Affirmations (prayers that confidently declare truth). These verses form the heart of this book.

A simple method is also explained to help people make better use of this resource, along with examples of what this may look like in various circumstances.

Care has been taken not to lift the verses from their context but to use them in the way they are used in Scripture. Every single verse has not been carefully scrutinized, however, so if you come across verses that you feel misrepresent the intent of Scripture, please contact me and I will seek to make changes in a future edition. You can contact me at twwy5th@gmail.com

A Proposed Method for Prayer

Our garage is loaded with many boxes of valuable files, letters, and documents but, because I have not set up an organized system to catalogue and retrieve the paperwork, the boxes sit unopened year after year. The same problem could easily emerge when trying to use this book. Hundreds and hundreds of verses of all kinds could seem a little daunting and overwhelming for most people.

How does one use a book like this for prayer? How exactly are individuals, small groups, families, churches, prayer gatherings, retreats, and even conferences to make use of a resource like this?

The following is a five step method for effectively using this manual. It is a very simple system that will make this manual easy to use and functional for anyone.

Throughout the manual icons will appear that represent one of these five steps to make it easy for you to locate and use the verses provided.

The five step prayer method is as follows:



1. Praise God



2. Confess Sin



3. Pray the Promises



4. Pray Scripture Prayers



5. Pray Faith Affirmations



1. Praise God

The first category involves pondering Christ's glory and God's greatness and then offering our praise and thanksgiving to him. This is absolutely essential to cultivate a God-centeredness in our praying and to nurture faith for those big requests.

The icon illustrates our joy, adoration, and gratitude to God for all that he is and all he has done. This is the centre of all believing prayer.



2. Confess Sin

After focusing on God's excellence we reflect on how different we are from God in character and confess this to God. The cross of Christ provides the offer of complete forgiveness and cleansing. We confess not to begin the relationship (if we have already trusted in Christ) but in order to restore our fellowship with God. Our **covenant** with God is forever secure but **communion** with him is often interrupted by sin.

A heart pouring out its dark contents is intended to illustrate the essential practice of confessing our sins before God. Hearts must always be cleansed before they are able to pray.



3. Pray the Promises

God's promises are a gift to us that are intended to be used, not simply admired from a distance. The promises produce faith and are grasped by faith. Just as the promise of salvation and forgiveness of sins is received through faith, in the same way every promise in Scripture is received by faith. Some are conditional and some are unconditional. Some are delivered immediately and some are delayed. A few are unrepeatable but most are available to all believers (more to come on that). The promises reflect God's will—what God intends to do—and we get in on the promises by presenting them back to God in prayer.

Let the power of the Lord be great as you have promised!

Numbers 14:17

The icon depicts God’s promises coming to us from the Scriptures. These promises are gifts to us from God to be received by faith. We quote God’s own words back to him when we pray the promises.



4. Pray Scripture Prayers

The Bible has hundreds of Scripture prayers that clearly show us how to pray. These prayers hold great weight with God when we pray them back to him in faith.

The icon depicts Scripture prayers ascending up to God. The Bible offers us many “inspired” prayers that teach us how to pray. We learn to make the prayers of Scripture our “prayer language” that we use when we pray.

Three Questions

Both the **Pray the Promises** and **Scripture Prayers** sections will be used to pray both for people “in Christ” and for those outside of Christ. When we **Pray the Promises** and **Scripture Prayers** we must ask:

I. **Who** is the focus of this prayer?



Is it a prayer for someone belonging to Christ?
The dot inside the square represents those who believe and belong to Jesus Christ.



Is it a prayer for someone outside of Christ?
The dot outside the square represents those who have not believed and do not belong to Jesus Christ.

2. **What** is their most pressing need?

3. **How** does God’s word address this need?

5. Pray Faith Affirmations

The final step is Faith Affirmations. This is probably the most widely neglected aspect of prayer that is taught in the Bible. Most people practice a very condensed form of faith affirmation whenever they say “amen” at the end of their prayers, though they may still not know what that means. The word “amen” means “let it be so”. It’s a way of punctuating the end of our prayers with a demonstration of faith in God. There are hundreds of faith affirmations throughout the Scriptures but they are found particularly in the Psalms. They are neither requests nor strictly words of praise. They are instead declarations about God and what he will do. They are verbal declarations of trust. They are expanded “amens” if you will. These faith declarations speak faith but also grow our faith when we use them.

The exclamation point expresses declarations of confident faith that stand on Scripture truths when in prayer.

Present to God

The upward motion from an empty cup represents continuously presenting of oneself to God.

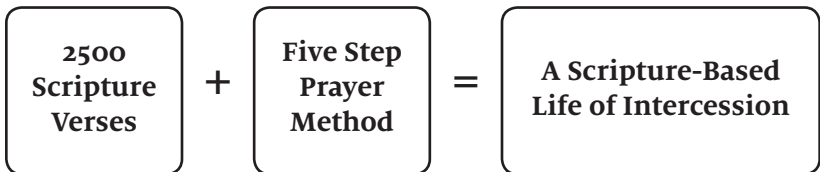
Accept from God

The downward motion to an empty cup represents continuously accepting God’s will when we don’t control, understand, or enjoy our circumstances.

The Prayer Method at Work

In this section I would like to give an example of the method at work. I will guide you through each step to showing you how I use the simple system described in the previous section. There are several more examples applied to various situations found in the appendices.

Hopefully, the system, which is designed to be easily used and adapted by anyone, will help you use this book most effectively. If you think of this book with its hundreds of verses as the train that propels prayer, the five step system is like the train tracks—it's what allows the train to actually move.



An Example of Praying About The Struggle With Sin

The personal struggle with sin is experienced by all of us. Thankfully, there is much written in Scripture to help us with this struggle, especially verses that help us pray through the struggle. With any and every need, no matter how consuming it seems, we always first want to begin with a focus on God.



Praise God

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:14-16

I start by looking through verses on **Beholding the Greatness of God** (p.52) or the **Beholding the Glory of Christ** (p.41). I use the table of contents to find the pages where these occur. I'm looking for exalted passages on God that give me faith for the reluctance I'm feeling with regard to the whole prayer process. When I struggle with sin, I struggle to pray at all. I don't want to pray. So I know I need truth that shows me Christ inviting me to come to him and assuring me he will hear me in spite of the sin I'm struggling with. As I look down the list I find Hebrews 4:14-16 and it fits perfectly.

I ponder the truth about Christ here, I let its truths speak to my unbelieving heart and create faith in its place. I too have a great high priest. He sympathizes with my weaknesses. He was tempted too and knows its power—yet he never sinned and yielded to it's power. He invites me to his throne to find mercy and grace to help in time of need. As I ponder this my heart starts to worship. I go through each line and turn it into a prayer of praise and worship.



Confess Sin

For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

Psalms 25:11

You, our God,
have punished us less than our iniquities deserved.

Ezra 9:13

Taking time to confess our sins is essential. It brings cleansing and restores fellowship with God. It reminds us how different we are from God and humbles our proud soul. It gives us an acute sense of our need that keeps us praying. It reminds us of what Christ died for on the cross and what our biggest problem truly is.

I go to the section in the table of contents and look at **Promises of Forgiveness** (p.71) and **Prayers Seeking Forgiveness** (p.73) and find some prayers that express the sense of the greatness of our sins before a holy God. I see what my sins deserve compared to what I have received. I pray these confessions but I also meditate on their truth.



Pray the Promises

With weeping they shall come,
and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back,
I will make them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,
for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Jeremiah 31:9

At this point in the prayer I get down to the hard work of praying about the sin itself. To do this effectively, I need to find a promise of God that I can hold before God in prayer. The promise bolsters my faith in prayer and gives me something clear that I know is God's will.

And this is the confidence that we have toward him,
that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.

1 John 5:14

Again, I go to the table of contents at the front of the book and find the section, **Promises to Believers Struggling with Sin** (p.162). I choose a promise that focuses on what God says he will do to those who plead with him for mercy.

His promise is that he will lead me back, in a straight path. He will even bring refreshment to me by brooks of water.

I bring the promise to God in prayer something like this:
“Our Father in heaven, You said you would lead us back and would fill our mouth with pleas for mercy. You said you would bring us back in a way that we won’t stumble or falter. Please do what you have promised! Do what you have said! Show yourself faithful to your word!”



Pray Scripture Prayers

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight, O LORD,
my rock and my redeemer.

Psalms 19:14

After praying for God to do what he promised, I look for a prayer that expresses the longing of my heart. In the section **Promises to Believers Struggling with Sin** (p.162), there are prayers about the same subject matter that occur right after the list of promises (this is the pattern throughout the entire book)—in this case, **Prayers for Sanctifying Grace** (p.164).

As I scan through the list I find the prayer of Psalms 19:14 which perfectly suits my sins (heart hardness and unloving speech) and expresses my need. I decide to memorize this simple prayer and make it something I pray each morning as I wake up.



Pray Faith Affirmations

Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.
For our heart is glad in him,
because we trust in his holy name.

Psalms 33:21

For this Faith Affirmation I turn to the section on **Promises to Those Who Trust God** (p.33) under the section **Building Faith By Meditation on God's Faithfulness** (p.31) because I want to express my trust. I need to verbalize my confidence in God. I tell God that I'm glad in spite of the struggle with my sin, I am trusting in him to help me defeat my sin. I speak this Faith Affirmation out loud in prayer. I want God to hear. I want the Devil to hear. I want my own soul to hear. It is a way of praying that pierces the darkness of unbelief with expressed faith.

Why Scripture Promises Are So Important for Our Prayers

There are two words that are very powerful when used in prayer. These words are simply, “you said”. In Genesis 31:2, God makes a promise to Jacob. Involved in that promise is one of the most faith-giving promises in Scripture—“I will be with you”. A promise that means God will do us good and pour out his favor upon us! Then later, when in deep crises, Jacob cries out to God in prayer and reminds God of his promise to him. Listen to what he says:

But **you said**, ‘I will surely do you good’...
and Jacob said, “O God of my father Abraham
and God of my father Isaac,
O LORD who said to me,
‘Return to your country and to your kindred,
that I may do you good.’

Genesis 32:12, 32:9

The fuel of an intercessor is the promises of God. We remind God in prayer of what he has said and call him to be faithful to his word. Attaching God’s promises to people and situations is the very backbone of all faith-filled praying.

Some of us struggle with how to apply the promises in prayer correctly. Is it right for us to take promises given to the people of Israel or Moses or David, and apply them in prayer to our own situations? Basically, the answer is a qualified “YES”. Let me show you why this is so. In 2 Corinthians we find valuable help on this matter:

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him.
That is why it is through him
that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

2 Corinthians 1:20

Not only is Jesus the ultimate fulfillment of all the promises, but he is the key to the promises. We could say that the promises are made ultimately to him and for him and about him. Now look how this applies a few verses later in this book. Remember that the Corinthian congregation was predominantly non-Jewish. But at the end of 2 Corinthians 6, Paul quotes several promises that were made centuries before to the people of Israel (see 2 Corinthians 6:16b-18 and compare Leviticus 26:12, Exodus 32:27, Isaiah 52:11). Now note the astonishing truth that Paul says to this church after quoting these Old Testament promises to them:

Since **we have these promises**, beloved.

2 Corinthians 7:1

In Christ, we receive the promises and can call them our own! Because they are in the canon of Scripture, and because they are part of Christ's inheritance through his cross-work, and because we are also heirs of the promises in him (Gal 3:16,29), we too, in fact, have these promises for every dimension of our lives.

In my own Bible, I have highlighted hundreds of promises in Scripture with a green highlighter so I can find them quickly and use them for prayer when needed. We all need to find a way to find promises and use them in our prayers for others. This manual is an attempt to help with that process.

How important and how powerful it is when God's people say to him in prayer: "You said..."

Four Important Truths

In order to pray promises responsibly and as intended by Scripture it is important to remember four important truths:

1. Promises will only and always mean what they mean in their context and with the intent with which they were written.

The devil misused promises against Christ at his temptation in the wilderness, twisting the intent to tempt Jesus to be presumptuous. But Jesus taught us by his response that a promise only and always means what God intends it to mean. No amount of spiritualization can change that.

Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, **for it is written,** "He will command his angels concerning you,' and "On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone." Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Matthew 4:5-7

2. Promises sometimes have a multiple fulfillment in the past, present and future.

Compare Joel 2:29-32 with Acts 2:15 -21 and with Revelation 6:12. See also Isaiah 7:10-16 and Matthew 1:21-23, etc.

**3. Promises that are conditional
always require fulfillment of the condition
before the promise is granted.**

Condition:

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and perform your vows to the Most High,
and call upon me in the day of trouble;

Promise:

I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.

Psalms 50:14-15

Condition:

Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,

Promise:

and all these things will be added to you.

Matthew 6:33

**4. Promises that are granted
are sometimes delayed for many years.**

But as for me, my prayer is to you, O LORD.

At an acceptable time, O God,
in the abundance of your steadfast love
answer me in your saving faithfulness.

Psalms 69:13

Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise.

Hebrews 6:15

Living Before the Face of God

Just as there are set times of prayer, there is an attitude of prayer needed where one lives by faith in the presence of God continuously. It is living before God in worship while the mind is engaged in work, driving, or reading something online. It is “exulting in God’s name all the day” as we live in the light of his face:

Blessed are the people who know the festal shout,
who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,
who exult in your name all the day
and in your righteousness are exalted.

Psalms 89:15-16

This is what it means on a functional level to walk in the Spirit and to “keep in step” (Galatians 5:25) with the Spirit.

But how exactly is this life of faith cultivated? Over the years I have found two actions of the heart very helpful—two “faith-habits”. “Faith” because they draw their power and sustenance from Christ’s person and work on the cross. “Habit” because it takes time to build this spiritual instinct into our lives through constant repetition.



Presenting Ourselves to God

The first of these habits is the faith action of presenting ourselves to God over and over again throughout the day. The key to this is to use daily triggers to remind and gently draw us into the presence of God.

This is how Jesus lived. He was in constant contact with his Father—sometimes in earnest all night prayer sessions and sometimes through continuously entrusting his soul to God:

When he was reviled, he did not revile in return;
when he suffered, he did not threaten,
but **continued entrusting himself** to him who judges justly.

1 Peter 2:23

Just two verses before this in 1 Peter 2:21 we are taught that Christ left us an example so that we would follow in his steps. We are called not only to suffer as he suffered but to do what he did when he suffered—to entrust ourselves to God.

Therefore let those who suffer according to God’s will
entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

1 Peter 4:19

Later on the cross, Jesus again dramatically entrusts himself as he yields up his spirit to God:

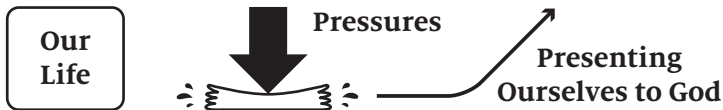
Into your hand **I commit my spirit**.

Psalms 31:5; Luke 23:46

What if we were able to turn the experiences of everyday life into faith triggers that remind us to entrust ourselves to God the way Jesus did?

We could harness our boredom, feelings of stress, frustrations, disappointments, temptations, fatigue, the burdens that weigh down our hearts and feelings of hopelessness, etc. Whatever the pressure pressing down on our hearts at any moment could be used to remind us to present ourselves afresh to God. Rather than allowing these feelings and thoughts to accumulate in our souls, we could lift them up to our Father and entrust ourselves to him once again.

We have used the icon of an empty cup with an arrow pointing up to represent this heart action. It is an act of love and trust and worship, even when only lasting for a brief moment.





Scriptures on Presenting Ourselves to God

I have set the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Psalms 16:8

My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

Psalms 25:15

Your steadfast love is before my eyes,
and I walk in your faithfulness.

Psalms 26:3

For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.

Psalms 62:5

But my eyes are toward you, O GOD, my Lord; in you I seek refuge.

Psalms 141:8

But for me it is good to be near God;
I have made the Lord GOD my refuge.

Psalms 73:28

To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!
Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maidservant to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the LORD our God, till he has mercy upon us.

Psalms 123:1-2

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men.

Colossians 3:23

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.

Psalms 37:5

I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

Psalms 26:1

I remember your name in the night, O LORD.

Psalms 119:55

Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

Psalms 31:5

As for me, I would seek God,
and to God would I commit my cause.

Job 5:8

O LORD, we wait for you;
your name and remembrance are the desire of our soul.
My soul yearns for you in the night;
my spirit within me earnestly seeks you.

Isaiah 26:8-9

And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in you.

Psalms 39:7

I will hope continually and will praise you yet more and more.

Psalms 71:14

Present yourselves to God
as those who have been brought from death to life,
and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

Romans 6:13

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God,
to present your bodies as a living sacrifice,
holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

Romans 12:1

When he was reviled, he did not revile in return;
when he suffered, he did not threaten,
but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.

1 Peter 2:23

Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will
entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

1 Peter 4:19

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Psalms 90:1



Accepting Everything from God

The second habit is much like the first but in the opposite direction. The first was active faith moving toward God. This second is a passive faith accepting from God whatever he deems best to give. This is not to be confused with fatalism or irresponsible passivity. Rather, this heart action is essential when we do not control, understand, or enjoy our circumstances. In fact, it is essential in all circumstances, but especially so when life becomes difficult.

Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

I have found it helpful to think of this using a two-circle illustration. The first circle (the smaller of the two) is found within the larger circle. The small circle represents what God has entrusted to our control. We might label this smaller circle “self-control”. We control what we wear, what we think, what we say, how we drive, how much we eat, etc. It might not be easy to exercise self control in these areas, but it is possible none the less.

But the larger circle is another matter entirely. This circle represents everything in our life that we don’t control. We might label this “no control”. In this circle we could put the weather, world events, the future, difficult trials that “drop” into our lives, what other people think, our innate intelligence, the degree of “success” that God entrusts to us, the limits of our abilities and gifts, etc.



What is to be done in such cases? We can complain and resist and get discouraged by our lot in life or we can cheerfully, with peace in our heart, submit ourselves fully to God's perfect plan. Whether prosperity or poverty, success or failure, popularity or obscurity, health or sickness, at the top of the mountain or at the bottom of the valley, whatever God has assigned to us, we choose to embrace—willingly and cheerfully, in submission and surrender to his sovereign plan. As the Heidelberg Catechism states so eloquently, "All things, in fact, come to us not by chance but from his fatherly hand."

Only let each person lead the life
that the Lord has **assigned to him**,
and to which God has called him.
This is my rule in all the churches.

1 Corinthians 7:17

This is really just another way of talking about God's Providence and our godly response to it. We not only acknowledge that God is in control of all things at all times, but we freely submit to his will even though the assignment may be very difficult.

This is how Christ handled God's will for him regarding his suffering on the cross:

Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,
but a body have you prepared for me;
in burnt offerings and sin offerings
you have taken no pleasure.
Then I said, '**Behold, I have come to do your will, O God,**
as it is written of me in the scroll of the book.'

Hebrews 10:5-7

My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me;
nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will.

Matthew 26:39

My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it,
your will be done.

Matthew 26:42

The apostle Paul also lived with a firm resignation to God's providential will (something he had to learn) and taught us that this habit was essential to living a life of peace and contentment in Christ:

Not that I am speaking of being in need,
for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content.
I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound.
In any and every circumstance,
I have learned the secret
of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.
I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:11-13

We have used the icon of a empty cup with an arrow pointing down to represent this heart action. We accept from God what we do not control, understand, or enjoy. We let God define what is good knowing that all things are working together for good by conforming us into the likeness of Jesus Christ.

And we know that for those who love God
all things work together for good,
for those who are called according to his purpose.
For those whom he foreknew
he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son,
in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

Romans 8:28-29

In order to help cultivate these two vital faith-habits that keep us in an attitude of prayer, several scriptures under both categories have been provided for meditation, memorization and practice.

Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"it is well, it is well with my soul"

Horatio G. Spafford, *It Is Well with My Soul*, 1873

Heidelberg Catechism, 1563

What do you understand by the providence of God?

Providence is the almighty and ever present power of God by which he upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but from his fatherly hand.

How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love. All creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

Scriptures on Accepting Everything From God

In the shadow of your wings I will take refuge,
till the storms of destruction pass by.
I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me.
Psalms 57:1-2

Let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him,
and to which God has called him.
This is my rule in all the churches.
1 Corinthians 7:17

He will complete what he appoints for me.
Job 23:14

I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content.
I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound.
In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret
of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.
I can do all things through him who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:11-13

Behold, I go forward, but he is not there,
and backward, but I do not perceive him;
on the left hand when he is working, I do not behold him;
he turns to the right hand, but I do not see him.
But he knows the way that I take;
when he has tried me, I shall come out as gold.

Job 23:8-10

Your way was through the sea, your path through the great waters;
yet your footprints were unseen.

Psalms 77:19

I know, O LORD, that the way of man is not in himself,
that it is not in man who walks to direct his steps.

Jeremiah 10:23

Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions
and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot
and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God.

Ecclesiastes 5:19

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

Psalms 16:5-6

Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

Now is my soul troubled.
And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour?'
But for this purpose I have come to this hour.
Father, glorify your name.

John 12:27-28

Abba, Father, all things are possible for you.
Remove this cup from me.
Yet not what I will, but what you will.

Mark 14:36

And we know that for those who love God
all things work together for good,
for those who are called according to his purpose.
For those whom he foreknew he also predestined
to be conformed to the image of his Son,
in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.
Romans 8:28-29

My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done.
Matthew 26:42

Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return.
The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away;
blessed be the name of the LORD.
Job 1:21

Jesus said to him,
"If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?
You follow me!"
John 21:22

I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."
My times are in your hand.
Psalms 31:15

Let the will of the Lord be done.
Acts 21:14

I Using Scripture to Prepare to Pray

A) Developing the Motivation for Prayer: The Glory of God

Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases.

Psalms 115:3

The LORD will be king over all the earth.
On that day the LORD will be one and his name one.

Zechariah 14:9

The LORD has done what he purposed;
he has carried out his word, which he commanded long ago.

Lamentations 2:17

The time is coming to gather all nations and tongues.
And they shall come and shall see my glory.

Isaiah 66:18

For my own sake, for my own sake, I do it,
for how should my name be profaned?
My glory I will not give to another.

Isaiah 48:11

There is one God, the Father,
from whom are all things and for whom we exist,
and one Lord, Jesus Christ,
through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

1 Corinthians 8:6

All things were created through him and for him.

Colossians 1:16

He, for whom and by whom all things exist.

Hebrews 2:10

For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

Romans 11:36



Praying for God's Honor and Glory

What will you do for your great name?

Joshua 7:9

When a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel,
comes from a far country for your name's sake
(for they shall hear of your great name and your mighty hand,
and of your outstretched arm),
when he comes and prays toward this house,
hear in heaven your dwelling place
and do according to all for which the foreigner calls to you,
in order that all the peoples of the earth
may know your name and fear you.

1 Kings 8:41-43

Let these words of mine,
with which I have pleaded before the LORD,
be near to the LORD our God day and night,
and may he maintain the cause of his servant
and the cause of his people Israel, as each day requires,
that all the peoples of the earth
may know that the LORD is God;
there is no other.

1 Kings 8:59-60

O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel,
let it be known this day that you are God in Israel,
and that I am your servant,
and that I have done all these things at your word.
Answer me, O LORD, answer me,
that this people may know that you, O LORD, are God,
and that you have turned their hearts back.

1 Kings 18:36-37

O LORD, the God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim,
you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth;
you have made heaven and earth.
Incline your ear, O LORD, and hear;
open your eyes, O LORD, and see;
and hear the words of Sennacherib,
which he has sent to mock the living God.
So now, O LORD our God, save us, please, from his hand,
that all the kingdoms of the earth may know
that you, O LORD, are God alone.

2 Kings 19:15-16,19

My mouth is filled with your praise,
and with your glory all the day.

Psalms 71:8

Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name
and glory in your praise.

Psalms 106:47

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name;
deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake!

Psalms 79:9

Remember this, O LORD,
how the enemy scoffs, and a foolish people reviles your name.
Have regard for the covenant,
for the dark places of the land
are full of the habitations of violence.
Rise, O God, defend your cause;
remember how the foolish scoff at you all the day!

Psalms 74:18, 20, 22

Fill their faces with shame,
that they may seek your name, O LORD.

Psalms 83:16

Let them be put to shame and dismayed forever;
let them perish in disgrace, that they may know that you alone,
whose name is the LORD, are the Most High over all the earth.

Psalms 83:17-18

Let them know that this is your hand; you, O LORD, have done it!
Psalms 109:27

We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD,
and the iniquity of our fathers, for we have sinned against you.
Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonor your glorious throne;
remember and do not break your covenant with us.

Jeremiah 14:20-21

Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me,
may be with me where I am,
to see my glory that you have given me
because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

John 17:24



Faith Affirmations

Now is my soul troubled.
And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'?
But for this purpose I have come to this hour.
'Father, glorify your name'.

John 12:27-28

All the nations you have made
shall come and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.

Psalms 86:9

Your name, O LORD, endures forever,
your renown, O LORD, throughout all ages.

Psalms 135:13

O LORD, we wait for you;
your name and remembrance are the desire of our soul.

Isaiah 26:8

B) Building Faith By Meditation on God's Faithfulness

Jesus said to them, "Is this not the reason you are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God?"
Mark 12:24

Know therefore that the LORD your God is God,
the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love
with those who love him and keep his commandments,
to a thousand generations.
Deuteronomy 7:9

You know in your hearts and souls, all of you,
that not one word has failed of all the good things
that the LORD your God promised concerning you.
All have come to pass for you; not one of them has failed.
Joshua 23:14

You have kept your promise, for you are righteous.
Nehemiah 9:8

The trustworthy word.
Titus 1:9

This God—his way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true.
2 Samuel 22:31

The testimony of the LORD is sure.
Psalms 19:7

God, who never lies, promised.
Titus 1:2

Scripture cannot be broken.
John 10:35

These words are trustworthy and true.
Revelation 22:6

Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.
Matthew 24:35

We have something more sure,
the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention
as to a lamp shining in a dark place,
until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts
2 Peter 1:19

Every word of God proves true;
he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.
Proverbs 30:5

If we are faithless, he remains faithful—
for he cannot deny himself.
2 Timothy 2:13

Your decrees are very trustworthy;
holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.
Psalms 93:5

When God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs
of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose,
he guaranteed it with an oath,
so that by two unchangeable things,
in which it is impossible for God to lie,
we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement
to hold fast to the hope set before us.
We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul.
Hebrews 6:17-19

He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.
1 Thessalonians 5:24

He who promised is faithful.
Hebrews 10:23

O Lord GOD, you are God, and your words are true,
and you have promised this good thing to your servant.
2 Samuel 7:28

A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is he.
Deuteronomy 32:4

The LORD is faithful in all his words and kind in all his works.
Psalms 145:13

The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.

Psalms 111:7

Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel
and his Holy One, the LORD, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.

Isaiah 49:7

God is faithful, by whom you were called
into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 Corinthians 1:9

But the Lord is faithful.
He will establish you and guard you against the evil one.

2 Thessalonians 3:3

Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,
who with his hand has fulfilled what he promised.

1 Kings 8:15



Promises to Those Who Trust God

Those who know your name
put their trust in you,
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Psalms 9:10

Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.
He is like a tree planted by water,
that sends out its roots by the stream,
and does not fear when heat comes,
for its leaves remain green,
and is not anxious in the year of drought,
for it does not cease to bear fruit.

Jeremiah 17:7-8

The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble;
he knows those who take refuge in him.

Nahum 1:7

Therefore do not throw away your confidence,
which has a great reward.

Hebrews 10:35

Jesus said, “Go; let it be done for you as you have believed.”

Matthew 8:13

To him all the prophets bear witness
that everyone who believes in him
receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

Acts 10:43

Everyone who believes is freed from everything
from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

Acts 13:39

For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness
to everyone who believes.

Romans 10:4

The gospel... is the power of God
for salvation to everyone who believes.

Romans 1:16

And Jesus cried out and said, “Whoever believes in me,
believes not in me but in him who sent me.”

John 12:44

Everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.

John 11:26

To all... who believed in his name,
he gave the right to become children of God.

John 1:12

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him
should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved,
you and your household.

Acts 16:31

The righteousness of God
has been manifested apart from the law,
although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—
the righteousness of God
through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe.

Romans 3:21-22

To the one who does not work
but believes in him who justifies the ungodly,
his faith is counted as righteousness.

Romans 4:5

The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

Psalms 34:22

Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.

Romans 10:11

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord
and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,
you will be saved.

Romans 10:9

For since, in the wisdom of God,
the world did not know God through wisdom,
it pleased God through the folly of what we preach
to save those who believe.

1 Corinthians 1:21

I know whom I have believed,
and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day
what has been entrusted to me.

2 Timothy 1:12

We have come to share in Christ,
if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.

Hebrews 3:14

Everyone who believes
that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God.

1 John 5:1

I write these things
to you who believe in the name of the Son of God
that you may know that you have eternal life.

1 John 5:13

Jesus said to them,
“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger,
and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.”

John 6:35

Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said,
‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’
Now this he said about the Spirit.

John 7:38-39

Truly, truly, I say to you,
whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do;
and greater works than these will he do,
because I am going to the Father.

John 14:12

The immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe.

Ephesians 1:19

Let us then with confidence
draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer,
believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

Mark 11:24

We have confidence before God;
and whatever we ask we receive from him,
because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.

1 John 3:21-22

And this is the confidence that we have toward him,
that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.

1 John 5:14

For truly, I say to you,
if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed,
you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,'
and it will move, and nothing will be impossible for you.

Matthew 17:20

Without faith it is impossible to please him,
for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists
and that he rewards those who seek him.

Hebrews 11:6

All things are possible for one who believes.

Mark 9:23

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.
He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.

Psalms 37:5-6

Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion,
which cannot be moved, but abides forever.

Psalms 125:1

In trust shall be your strength.

Isaiah 30:15

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6

I have come into the world as light,
so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.

John 12:46

The Father himself loves you, because you have loved me
and have believed that I came from God.

John 16:27

Who is it that overcomes the world
except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

1 John 5:5

Oh, how abundant is your goodness,
which you have stored up for those who fear you
and worked for those who take refuge in you.

Psalms 31:19

In all circumstances take up the shield of faith,
with which you can extinguish
all the flaming darts of the evil one.

Ephesians 6:16

The LORD will be your confidence
and will keep your foot from being caught.

Proverbs 3:26

The LORD helps them and delivers them;
he delivers them from the wicked and saves them,
because they take refuge in him.

Psalms 37:40

This God—his way is perfect;
the word of the LORD proves true;
he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.

Psalms 18:30

Who by God's power are being guarded through faith
for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

1 Peter 1:5

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

Psalms 5:11



Prayers for Faith

Increase our faith!

Luke 17:5

I believe; help my unbelief!

Mark 9:24

I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail.
And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.

Luke 22:32



Faith Affirmations

We believe that we will be saved
through the grace of the Lord Jesus.

Acts 15:11

You spoke with your mouth,
and with your hand have fulfilled it this day.

1 Kings 8:23-24

But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."

Psalms 31:14

You have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

Isaiah 25:1

Our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.

Psalms 33:21

I will trust in you.

Psalms 55:23

I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

Psalms 26:1

Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

Psalms 31:5

Let it be to me according to your word.

Luke 1:38

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever; with my
mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

Psalms 89:1

2 Using Scripture to Praise God

A) Beholding the Glory of Christ

We all, with unveiled face,
beholding the glory of the Lord,
are being transformed into the same image
from one degree of glory to another.
For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:18

Your eyes will behold the king in his beauty;
they will see a land that stretches afar.

Isaiah 33:17

He is the radiance of the glory of God
and the exact imprint of his nature,
and he upholds the universe
by the word of his power.
After making purification for sins,
he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Hebrews 1:3

Even now, behold, my witness is in heaven,
and he who testifies for me is on high.

Job 16:19

You have loved righteousness
and hated wickedness.
Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.

Psalms 45:7

I will make him the firstborn,
the highest of the kings of the earth.
My steadfast love I will keep for him forever,
and my covenant will stand firm for him.
I will establish his offspring forever
and his throne as the days of the heavens.

Psalms 89:27-29

He who is the blessed and only Sovereign,
the King of kings and Lord of lords,
who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light,
whom no one has ever seen or can see.
To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

1 Timothy 6:15-16

The LORD says to my Lord:
“Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.”
The LORD sends forth from Zion your mighty scepter.
Rule in the midst of your enemies!

Psalms 110:1-2

There I will make a horn to sprout for David;
I have prepared a lamp for my anointed.
His enemies I will clothe with shame,
but on him his crown will shine.

Psalms 132:17-18

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government
and of peace there will be no end,
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,
to establish it and to uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time forth and forevermore.
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

Isaiah 9:6-7

And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might,
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.
And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide disputes by what his ears hear,
but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth.

Isaiah 11:2-4

In that day the root of Jesse,
who shall stand as a signal for the peoples –
of him shall the nations inquire,
and his resting place shall be glorious.

Isaiah 11:10-11

And I will place on his shoulder
the key of the house of David.
He shall open, and none shall shut;
and he shall shut, and none shall open.

Isaiah 22:22

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my Spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be discouraged
till he has established justice in the earth.

Isaiah 42:1-4

Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:
“I am the first and I am the last;
besides me there is no god.”

Isaiah 44:6

I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness;
I will take you by the hand and keep you;
I will give you as a covenant for the people,
a light for the nations, to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.

Isaiah 42:6-7

But he was wounded for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his stripes we are healed.

Isaiah 53:5

Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him;
he has put him to grief;
when his soul makes an offering for guilt,
he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.
Out of the anguish of his soul
he shall see and be satisfied;
by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,
make many to be accounted righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

Isaiah 53:10-11

Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God,
and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Isaiah 55:5

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,
because the LORD has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor;
he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor,
and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn.

Isaiah 61:1-2

Since then we have a great high priest
who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,
let us hold fast our confession.
For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are,
yet without sin.
Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.
Hebrews 4:14-16

In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely.
And this is the name by which he will be called:
‘The LORD is our righteousness.’
Jeremiah 23:6

As the host of heaven cannot be numbered
and the sands of the sea cannot be measured,
so I will multiply the offspring of David my servant,
and the Levitical priests who minister to me.
Jeremiah 33:22

And above the expanse over their heads
there was the likeness of a throne,
in appearance like sapphire;
and seated above the likeness of a throne
was a likeness with a human appearance.
Such was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD.
And when I saw it, I fell on my face,
and I heard the voice of one speaking.
Ezekiel 1:26,28

And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David,
and he shall feed them:
he shall feed them and be their shepherd.
Ezekiel 34:23

My servant David shall be king over them,
and they shall all have one shepherd.
They shall walk in my rules and be careful to obey my statutes.
Ezekiel 37:24

Afterward the children of Israel
shall return and seek the LORD their God, and David their king,
and they shall come in fear to the LORD
and to his goodness in the latter days.

Hosea 3:5

I saw in the night visions, and behold,
with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man,
and he came to the Ancient of Days
and was presented before him.
And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom,
that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him;
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
which shall not pass away,
and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

Daniel 7:13-14

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah,
who are too little to be among the clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel,
whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days...
And he shall stand and shepherd his flock
in the strength of the LORD,
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God.
And they shall dwell secure,
for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth.
And he shall be their peace.

Micah 5:2, 4-5

And I will pour out on the house of David
and the inhabitants of Jerusalem
a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy,
so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced,
they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child,
and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

Zechariah 12:10

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory.

James 2:1

The glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

2 Corinthians 4:4

When Christ who is your life appears,
then you also will appear with him in glory.

Colossians 3:4

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High.
And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David.

Luke 1:32

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

Luke 19:10

But from now on the Son of Man shall be seated
at the right hand of the power of God.

Luke 22:69

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we have seen his glory,
glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14

Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you,
the Son can do nothing of his own accord,
but only what he sees the Father doing.
For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.

John 5:19

I am the good shepherd.
The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:11

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,
just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;
and I lay down my life for the sheep.

John 10:14-15

This Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan
and foreknowledge of God,
you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.

Acts 2:23

And there is salvation in no one else,
for there is no other name under heaven given
among men by which we must be saved.

Acts 4:12

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth
with the Holy Spirit and with power.
He went about doing good
and healing all who were oppressed by the devil,
for God was with him.

Acts 10:38

For I delivered to you as of first importance
what I also received:
that Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures,
that he was buried,
that he was raised on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

He died for all,
that those who live might no longer live for themselves
but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

2 Corinthians 5:15

The Lord Jesus Christ,
who gave himself for our sins
to deliver us from the present evil age,
according to the will of our God and Father.

Galatians 1:3-4

Therefore God has highly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth
and every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:9-11

He is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation.
For by him all things were created,
in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities –
all things were created through him and for him.
And he is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.

Colossians 1:15-17

Christ, in whom are hidden
all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Colossians 2:2-3

The glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,
who gave himself for us
to redeem us from all lawlessness
and to purify for himself a people for his own possession
who are zealous for good works.

Titus 2:13-14

But of the Son he says,
“Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,
the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom.”

Hebrews 1:8

For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist,
in bringing many sons to glory,
should make the founder of their salvation
perfect through suffering.

Hebrews 2:10

For surely it is not angels that he helps,
but he helps the offspring of Abraham.
Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect,
so that he might become a merciful
and faithful high priest in the service of God,
to make propitiation for the sins of the people.
For because he himself has suffered when tempted,
he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 2:16-18

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who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God,
let us hold fast our confession.
For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who in every respect
has been tempted as we are,
yet without sin.

Hebrews 4:14-15

In the days of his flesh,
Jesus offered up prayers and supplications,
with loud cries and tears,
to him who was able to save him from death,
and he was heard because of his reverence.
Although he was a son,
he learned obedience through what he suffered.
And being made perfect,
he became the source of eternal salvation
to all who obey him.

Hebrews 5:7-9

Who has become a priest,
not on the basis of a legal requirement
concerning bodily descent,
but by the power of an indestructible life.

Hebrews 7:16

Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost
those who draw near to God through him,
since he always lives to make intercession for them.

Hebrews 7:25

How much more will the blood of Christ,
who through the eternal Spirit
offered himself without blemish to God,
purify our conscience from dead works
to serve the living God.

Hebrews 9:14

But when Christ had offered for all time
a single sacrifice for sins,
he sat down at the right hand of God,
waiting from that time until his enemies
should be made a footstool for his feet.

Hebrews 10:12-13

But if anyone does sin,
we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.
He is the propitiation for our sins,
and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:2

Jesus Christ the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead,
and the ruler of kings on earth.
To him who loves us
and has freed us from our sins by his blood.

Revelation 1:5

His face was like the sun shining in full strength.

Revelation 1:16

I died, and behold I am alive forevermore,
and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

Revelation 1:18

I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy
to open the scroll or to look into it.
And one of the elders said to me,
“Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah,
the Root of David, has conquered,
so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.”
And between the throne and the four living creatures
and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing,
as though it had been slain,
with seven horns and with seven eyes,
which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.
And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him
who was seated on the throne.

Revelation 5:4-7

And they sang a new song, saying,
“Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,
for you were slain, and by your blood
you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation.”

Revelation 5:9

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom
and might and honor and glory and blessing!”
And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth
and under the earth and in the sea,
and all that is in them, saying,
“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”

Revelation 5:12-13

On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written,
King of kings and Lord of lords.

Revelation 19:16

And I saw no temple in the city,
for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb.
And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it,
for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

Revelation 21:22-23

B) Beholding the Greatness of God

For his invisible attributes,
namely, his eternal power and divine nature,
have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world,
in the things that have been made.

Romans 1:20

Yet for us there is one God, the Father,
from whom are all things and for whom we exist,
and one Lord, Jesus Christ,
through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

1 Corinthians 8:6

When all things are subjected to him,
then the Son himself will also be subjected to him
who put all things in subjection under him,
that God may be all in all.

1 Corinthians 15:28

As I looked, thrones were placed,
and the Ancient of Days took his seat;
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire.
A stream of fire issued and came out from before him;
a thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;
the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

Daniel 7:9-10

The Most High rules the kingdom of men
and gives it to whom he will
and sets over it the lowliest of men.

Daniel 4:17

All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing,
and he does according to his will
among the host of heaven
and among the inhabitants of the earth;
and none can stay his hand
or say to him, "What have you done?"

Daniel 4:35

For God has consigned all to disobedience,
that he may have mercy on all.
Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments
and how inscrutable his ways!
"For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his counselor?"
"Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

Romans 11:32-36

He who made the Pleiades and Orion,
and turns deep darkness into the morning
and darkens the day into night,
who calls for the waters of the sea
and pours them out on the surface of the earth,
the LORD is his name.

Amos 5:8

For behold,
he who forms the mountains and creates the wind,
and declares to man what is his thought,
who makes the morning darkness,
and treads on the heights of the earth—
the LORD, the God of hosts, is his name!

Amos 4:13

His splendor covered the heavens,
and the earth was full of his praise.
His brightness was like the light;
rays flashed from his hand;
and there he veiled his power.

Habakkuk 3:3-4

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and his greatness is unsearchable.

Psalms 145:3

In your hand are power and might,
so that none is able to withstand you.

2 Chronicles 20:6

Who brings princes to nothing,
and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

Isaiah 40:23

But the LORD is the true God;
he is the living God and the everlasting King.

Jeremiah 10:10

He reveals deep and hidden things;
he knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with him.

Daniel 2:22

O great and mighty God, whose name is the LORD of hosts,
great in counsel and mighty in deed.

Jeremiah 32:19

There is none like you, O LORD;
you are great, and your name is great in might.
Who would not fear you, O King of the nations?
For this is your due; for among all the wise ones of the nations
and in all their kingdoms there is none like you.

Jeremiah 10:6-7

The LORD is slow to anger and great in power,
and the LORD will by no means clear the guilty.
His way is in whirlwind and storm,
and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

Nahum 1:3

The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,
and his kingdom rules over all.

Psalms 103:19

Nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything,
since he himself gives to all mankind
life and breath and everything.

Acts 17:25

The LORD within her is righteous; he does no injustice;
every morning he shows forth his justice;
each dawn he does not fail.

Zephaniah 3:5

The Rock, his work is perfect, for all his ways are justice.
A God of faithfulness and without iniquity,
just and upright is he.

Deuteronomy 32:4

There is none holy like the LORD:
for there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God.

1 Samuel 2:2

Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God?

Psalms 77:13

Who is able to stand before the LORD, this holy God?

1 Samuel 6:20

But the LORD is in his holy temple;
let all the earth keep silence before him.

Habakkuk 2:20

Your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.

Psalms 93:2

The counsel of the LORD stands forever,
the plans of his heart to all generations.

Psalms 33:11

Can you find out the deep things of God?
Can you find out the limit of the Almighty?

Job 11:7

Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket,
and are accounted as the dust on the scales;
behold, he takes up the coastlands like fine dust.

Isaiah 40:15

All the nations are as nothing before him,
they are accounted by him
as less than nothing and emptiness.

Isaiah 40:17

The God who made the world and everything in it,
being Lord of heaven and earth,
does not live in temples made by man,
nor is he served by human hands,
as though he needed anything,
since he himself gives to all mankind
life and breath and everything.

Acts 17:24-25

O great and mighty God, whose name is the LORD of hosts,
great in counsel and mighty in deed,
whose eyes are open to all the ways of the children of man.

Jeremiah 32:18-19

But will God indeed dwell on the earth?
Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you!

1 Kings 8:27

Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away?
Can a man hide himself in secret places
so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD.
Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 23:23-24

Behold, these are but the outskirts of his ways,
and how small a whisper do we hear of him!
But the thunder of his power who can understand?

Job 26:14

Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh.
Is anything too hard for me?

Jeremiah 32:27

For nothing will be impossible with God.

Luke 1:37

The God... who gives life to the dead
and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Romans 4:17

To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

1 Timothy 1:17

And no creature is hidden from his sight,
but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him
to whom we must give account.

Hebrews 4:13

O LORD, you have searched me and known me!
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue,
behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.

Psalms 139:1-4

Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me,
are righteousness and strength.

Isaiah 45:24

Let us fall into the hand of the LORD, for his mercy is great;
but let me not fall into the hand of man.

2 Samuel 24:14

Who is a God like you,
pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression
for the remnant of his inheritance?
He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in steadfast love.
He will again have compassion on us;
he will tread our iniquities underfoot.
You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

Micah 7:18-19

I led them with cords of kindness, with the bands of love,
and I became to them as one who eases the yoke on their jaws,
and I bent down to them and fed them.

Hosea 11:4

He is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.

Luke 6:35

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Psalms 30:5

For the LORD your God is gracious and merciful
and will not turn away his face from you, if you return to him.

2 Chronicles 30:9

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud
and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

Isaiah 44:22

He does not withdraw his eyes from the righteous,
but with kings on the throne
he sets them forever, and they are exalted.

Job 36:7

The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble;
he knows those who take refuge in him.

Nahum 1:7

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

Lamentations 3:22-23

Therefore the LORD waits to be gracious to you,
and therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you.
For the LORD is a God of justice;
blessed are all those who wait for him.

Isaiah 30:18

As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
so the LORD surrounds his people,
from this time forth and forevermore.

Psalms 125:2

The name of the LORD is a strong tower;
the righteous man runs into it and is safe.

Proverbs 18:10

In this is love, not that we have loved God
but that he loved us and sent his Son
to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:10

To him who is able to keep you from stumbling
and to present you blameless
before the presence of his glory with great joy.

Jude 1:24

The LORD is the strength of his people.

Psalms 28:8

The eternal God is your dwelling place,
and underneath are the everlasting arms.

Deuteronomy 33:27

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Psalms 46:1

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

Psalms 147:3

For I am sure that neither death nor life,
nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

For the Lord will not cast off forever,
but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
for he does not afflict from his heart or grieve the children of men.

Lamentations 3:31-33

In all their affliction he was afflicted,
and the angel of his presence saved them;
in his love and in his pity he redeemed them;
he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

Isaiah 63:9

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Psalms 23:1-3

It is the LORD who goes before you.
He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you.
Do not fear or be dismayed.

Deuteronomy 31:8



Praising Our Great God

Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?
Who is like you, majestic in holiness,
awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?

Exodus 15:11

O Lord GOD, you have only begun to show your servant
your greatness and your mighty hand.
For what god is there in heaven or on earth
who can do such works and mighty acts as yours?

Deuteronomy 3:24

May all your enemies perish, O LORD!
But your friends be like the sun as he rises in his might.

Judges 5:31

There is none holy like the LORD:
for there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God.

1 Samuel 2:2

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,
my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation,
my stronghold and my refuge, my savior;
you save me from violence.
I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.

2 Samuel 22:2-4

Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting!

1 Chronicles 16:36

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power
and the glory and the victory and the majesty,
for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours.
Yours is the kingdom, O LORD,
and you are exalted as head above all.
Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all.
In your hand are power and might,
and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.
And now we thank you, our God,
and praise your glorious name.

1 Chronicles 29:11-13

O LORD, there is none like you to help,
between the mighty and the weak.

2 Chronicles 14:11

O LORD, God of our fathers, are you not God in heaven?
You rule over all the kingdoms of the nations.
In your hand are power and might,
so that none is able to withstand you.

2 Chronicles 20:6

Blessed be your glorious name,
which is exalted above all blessing and praise.
You are the LORD, you alone.
You have made heaven,
the heaven of heavens, with all their host,
the earth and all that is on it,
the seas and all that is in them;
and you preserve all of them;
and the host of heaven worships you.

Nehemiah 9:5-6

I love you, O LORD, my strength.

Psalms 18:1

O LORD, I love the habitation of your house
and the place where your glory dwells.

Psalms 26:8

Oh, how abundant is your goodness,
which you have stored up for those who fear you
and worked for those who take refuge in you.

Psalms 31:19

Great is the LORD,
who delights in the welfare of his servant!

Psalms 35:27

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

Psalms 36:7

We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of your temple.
As your name, O God,
so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.
Your right hand is filled with righteousness.

Psalms 48:10

But I will sing of your strength;
I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning.
For you have been to me a fortress
and a refuge in the day of my distress.
O my Strength, I will sing praises to you,
for you, O God, are my fortress,
the God who shows me steadfast love.

Psalms 59:17

To you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.

Psalms 62:12

My mouth is filled with your praise,
and with your glory all the day.

Psalms 71:8

My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you;
my soul also, which you have redeemed.

Psalms 71:23

I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;
with my mouth I will make known
your faithfulness to all generations.

Psalms 89:1

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

Psalms 92:4

Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

Psalms 93:2

Your decrees are very trustworthy;
holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.

Psalms 93:5

I will sing of steadfast love and justice;
to you, O LORD, I will make music.

Psalms 101:1

But you, O LORD, are enthroned forever;
you are remembered throughout all generations.

Psalms 102:12

Not to us, O LORD, not to us,
but to your name give glory,
for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Psalms 115:1

We will bless the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore.
Praise the LORD!

Psalms 115:18

You are good and do good.

Psalms 119:68

Your hands have made and fashioned me.

Psalms 119:73

With you there is forgiveness.

Psalms 130:4

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you
and praise your name forever and ever.

Psalms 145:1-2

I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away, that you might comfort me.

Isaiah 12:1

O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you;
I will praise your name,
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

Isaiah 25:1

O LORD, you will ordain peace for us,
for you have indeed done for us all our works.

Isaiah 26:12

There is none like you, O LORD;
you are great, and your name is great in might.

Jeremiah 10:6

Ah, Lord GOD! It is you who have made the heavens and the earth
by your great power and by your outstretched arm!
Nothing is too hard for you.

Jeremiah 32:17

You, O LORD, reign forever;
your throne endures to all generations.

Lamentations 5:21

Blessed be the name of God forever and ever,
to whom belong wisdom and might.
He changes times and seasons;
he removes kings and sets up kings;
he gives wisdom to the wise
and knowledge to those who have understanding.

Daniel 2:20-21

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Matthew 6:9

Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea
and everything in them.

Acts 4:24

But you are the same, and your years will have no end.

Hebrews 1:12

Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come!

Revelation 4:8

Worthy are you, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.

Revelation 4:11

Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,
for you were slain,
and by your blood you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,
and they shall reign on the earth.

Revelation 5:9-10

Salvation belongs to our God
who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!

Revelation 7:10

We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,
who is and who was,
for you have taken your great power and begun to reign.

Revelation 11:17

Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!
Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!
Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name?
For you alone are holy.
All nations will come and worship you,
for your righteous acts have been revealed.

Revelation 15:3-4

Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

Revelation 19:6



Giving Thanks to Our Great God

Save us, O God of our salvation,
and gather and deliver us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name,
and glory in your praise.

1 Chronicles 16:35

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

Psalms 9:1

But I have trusted in your steadfast love;
my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

Psalms 13:5

The LORD is my strength and my shield;
in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults,
and with my song I give thanks to him.

Psalms 28:7

I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love,
because you have seen my affliction;
you have known the distress of my soul.

Psalms 31:7

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;
I will sing praises to you among the nations.

Psalms 57:9

I will praise the name of God with a song;
I will magnify him with thanksgiving.

Psalms 69:30

We give thanks to you, O God;
we give thanks, for your name is near.
We recount your wondrous deeds.

Psalms 75:1

We your people, the sheep of your pasture,
will give thanks to you forever;
from generation to generation we will recount your praise.

Psalms 79:13

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.

Psalms 86:12

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.
Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.
Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Psalms 103:1, 2, 22

I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.

Psalms 116:17

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

Psalms 118:19

I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

Psalms 118:21

You are my God,
and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you.

Psalms 118:28

I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away, that you might comfort me.

Isaiah 12:1

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
my soul shall exult in my God,
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself
like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

Isaiah 61:10



Scripture Prayers

Please show me your glory.

Exodus 33:18

Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me,
may be with me where I am,
to see my glory that you have given me
because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

John 17:24

Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name
and glory in your praise.

Psalms 106:47

Bring me out of prison, that I may give thanks to your name!

Psalms 142:7



Faith Affirmations

May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

Psalms 104:34

From you comes my praise in the great congregation.

Psalms 22:25

I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Psalms 9:2

But I will hope continually
and will praise you yet more and more.

Psalms 71:14

I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

Psalms 104:33

I will bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

Psalms 34:1

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.

Psalms 9:1-2

In God we have boasted continually,
and we will give thanks to your name forever.

Psalms 44:8

My heart is steadfast, O God!
I will sing and make melody with all my being!

Psalms 108:1

I will sing to the LORD,
because he has dealt bountifully with me.

Psalms 13:6

Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.

Psalms 63:3

I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds.

Psalms 77:12

Though the fig tree should not blossom,
nor fruit be on the vines,
the produce of the olive fail
and the fields yield no food,
the flock be cut off from the fold
and there be no herd in the stalls,
yet I will rejoice in the LORD;
I will take joy in the God of my salvation.

Habakkuk 3:17-18

We also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Romans 5:11

The kingdom of the world
has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ,
and he shall reign forever and ever.

Revelation 11:15

3 Using Scripture to Confess Sin



Promises of Forgiveness

For the LORD your God is gracious and merciful
and will not turn away his face from you, if you return to him.

2 Chronicles 30:9

My transgression would be sealed up in a bag,
and you would cover over my iniquity.

Job 14:17

You forgave the iniquity of your people;
you covered all their sin.

Psalms 85:2-3

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

Psalms 86:5

He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Psalms 103:10-12

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

Psalms 130:3-4

I am he who blots out your transgressions for my own sake,
and I will not remember your sins.

Isaiah 43:25

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud
and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

Isaiah 44:22

In those days and in that time, declares the LORD,
iniquity shall be sought in Israel, and there shall be none,
and sin in Judah, and none shall be found,
for I will pardon those whom I leave as a remnant.

Jeremiah 50:20

The LORD has brought about our vindication;
come, let us declare in Zion the work of the LORD our God.

Jeremiah 51:10

The LORD has taken away the judgments against you;
he has cleared away your enemies.
The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst;
you shall never again fear evil.

Zephaniah 3:15

And the angel said to those who were standing before him,
"Remove the filthy garments from him."
And to him he said,
"Behold, I have taken your iniquity away from you,
and I will clothe you with pure vestments."

Zechariah 3:4

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said,
"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

John 1:29

Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

Hebrews 9:22

In him we have redemption through his blood,
the forgiveness of our trespasses,
according to the riches of his grace.

Ephesians 1:7

If we confess our sins,
he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9



Prayers Seeking Forgiveness

Corporate Confession

We have sinned against you,
because we have forsaken our God and have served the Baals.

Judges 10:10

We have sinned; do to us whatever seems good to you.
Only please deliver us this day.

Judges 10:15

We have sinned, because we have forsaken the LORD
and have served the Baals and the Ashtaroth.
But now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies,
that we may serve you.

1 Samuel 12:10

O my God, I am ashamed
and blush to lift my face to you, my God,
for our iniquities have risen higher than our heads,
and our guilt has mounted up to the heavens.
From the days of our fathers to this day
we have been in great guilt.

Ezra 9:6

And now, O our God, what shall we say after this?
For we have forsaken your commandments.
And after all that has come upon us
for our evil deeds and for our great guilt,
seeing that you, our God,
have punished us less than our iniquities deserved.

Ezra 9:10, 13

O LORD, the God of Israel, you are just,
for we are left a remnant that has escaped, as it is today.
Behold, we are before you in our guilt,
for none can stand before you because of this.

Ezra 9:15

We have sinned against you.
Even I and my father's house have sinned.
We have acted very corruptly against you
and have not kept the commandments,
the statutes, and the rules that you commanded.

Nehemiah 1:6-7

Now, therefore, our God,
the great, the mighty, and the awesome God,
who keeps covenant and steadfast love,
let not all the hardship seem little to you
that has come upon us... until this day.
Yet you have been righteous in all that has come upon us,
for you have dealt faithfully
and we have acted wickedly.

Nehemiah 9:32-33

Do not remember against us our former iniquities;
let your compassion come speedily to meet us,
for we are brought very low.

Psalms 79:8

For our transgressions are multiplied before you,
and our sins testify against us;
for our transgressions are with us,
and we know our iniquities:
transgressing, and denying the LORD,
and turning back from following our God,
speaking oppression and revolt,
conceiving and uttering from the heart lying words.

Isaiah 59:12-13

We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls upon your name,
who rouses himself to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.

Isaiah 64:6-7

Let us lie down in our shame,
and let our dishonor cover us.
For we have sinned against the LORD our God,
we and our fathers, from our youth even to this day,
and we have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.

Jeremiah 3:25

Though our iniquities testify against us,
act, O LORD, for your name's sake;
for our backslidings are many;
we have sinned against you.

Jeremiah 14:7

We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD,
and the iniquity of our fathers,
for we have sinned against you.
Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonor your glorious throne;
remember and do not break your covenant with us.

Jeremiah 14:20-21

O LORD, my strength and my stronghold,
my refuge in the day of trouble,
to you shall the nations come
from the ends of the earth and say:
"Our fathers have inherited nothing but lies,
worthless things in which there is no profit."

Jeremiah 16:19

To us, O LORD, belongs open shame...
because we have sinned against you.
To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness,
for we have rebelled against him
and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.

Daniel 9:8-9

O our God, listen to the prayer of your servant
and to his pleas for mercy, and for your own sake, O Lord,
make your face to shine upon your sanctuary,
which is desolate.

Daniel 9:17

We do not present our pleas before you
because of our righteousness,
but because of your great mercy.
O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive.
O Lord, pay attention and act.
Delay not, for your own sake, O my God,
because your city and your people are called by your name.

Daniel 9:18-19

Personal Confession

I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?'
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
'Hear, and I will speak;
I will question you, and you make it known to me.'
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;
therefore I despise myself,
and repent in dust and ashes.

Job 42:2-6

I have sinned greatly in what I have done.
But now, O LORD,
please take away the iniquity of your servant,
for I have done very foolishly.

2 Samuel 24:10

Behold, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly.
But these sheep, what have they done?
Please let your hand be against me
and against my father's house.

2 Samuel 24:17

I have sinned greatly in that I have done this thing.
But now, please take away the iniquity of your servant,
for I have acted very foolishly.

1 Chronicles 21:8

Remember your mercy, O LORD,
and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.
Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

Psalms 25:6-7

For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

Psalms 25:11

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalms 32:5

O God, you know my folly;
the wrongs I have done are not hidden from you.

Psalms 69:5

Look, O LORD, for I am in distress; my stomach churns;
my heart is wrung within me, because I have been very rebellious.

Lamentations 1:20

Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.

Luke 5:8

Forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone who is indebted to us.

Luke 11:4

God, be merciful to me, a sinner!

Luke 18:13



Faith Affirmations

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Psalms 32:5

Even now, behold, my witness is in heaven,
and he who testifies for me is on high.

Job 16:19

With you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

Psalms 130:4

To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness.

Daniel 9:9

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:1

In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them.

2 Corinthians 5:19

4 Using Scripture to Make Requests: Promises and Scripture Prayers

I Promises for Help with Prayer

For at that time
I will change the speech of the peoples to a pure speech,
that all of them may call upon the name of the LORD
and serve him with one accord.

Zephaniah 3:9

And I will pour out on the house of David
and the inhabitants of Jerusalem
a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy.

Zechariah 12:10

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness.
For we do not know what to pray for as we ought,
but the Spirit himself intercedes for us
with groanings too deep for words.
And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit,
because the Spirit intercedes for the saints
according to the will of God.

Romans 8:26-27

Because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son
into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!”

Galatians 4:6



Prayer for God’s Help to Pray

Give us life, and we will call upon your name!

Psalms 80:18



Faith Affirmations

I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving
and call on the name of the LORD.

Psalms 116:17

I will awake the dawn!

Psalms 57:8

I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.

Psalms 116:13

Far be it from me
that I should sin against the LORD by ceasing to pray for you.

1 Samuel 12:23

2 Promises to Answer Prayer

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves,
and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways,
then I will hear from heaven
and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14

Because your heart was tender
and you humbled yourself before God
when you heard his words against this place and its inhabitants,
and you have humbled yourself before me
and have torn your clothes and wept before me,
I also have heard you, declares the LORD.

2 Chronicles 34:27

Then man prays to God, and he accepts him; he sees his face
with a shout of joy, and he restores to man his righteousness.

Job 33:26

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.

Psalms 2:8

I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me
from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.

Psalms 34:4-5

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 act.

Psalms 37:4-5

If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,
the Lord would not have listened.
But truly God has listened;
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me!

Psalms 66:18-20

For he delivers the needy when he calls,
the poor and him who has no helper.

Psalms 72:12

In the day of my trouble I call upon you, for you answer me.

Psalms 86:7

When he calls to me, I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.
With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

Psalms 91:15-16

He regards the prayer of the destitute
and does not despise their prayer.

Psalms 102:17

Out of my distress I called on the LORD;
the LORD answered me and set me free.

Psalms 118:5

The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.
He fulfills the desire of those who fear him;
he also hears their cry and saves them.

Psalms 145:18-19

You shall weep no more.
He will surely be gracious to you at the sound of your cry.
As soon as he hears it, he answers you.

Isaiah 30:19

Then shall your light break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up speedily;
your righteousness shall go before you;
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.
Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry, and he will say, 'Here I am.'

Isaiah 58:8-9

From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear,
no eye has seen a God besides you,
who acts for those who wait for him.

Isaiah 64:4

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me,
and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me,
when you seek me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29:12-13

From the first day that you set your heart to understand
and humbled yourself before your God,
your words have been heard,
and I have come because of your words.

Daniel 10:12

At the beginning of your pleas for mercy a word went out,
and I have come to tell it to you, for you are greatly loved.

Daniel 9:23

It is I who answer and look after you. I am like an evergreen
cypress; from me comes your fruit.

Hosea 14:8

Your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

Matthew 6:8

For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds,
and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

Matthew 7:8

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer,
believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

Mark 11:24

If you then, who are evil,
know how to give good gifts to your children,
how much more will the heavenly Father
give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

Luke 11:13

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do,
that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

John 14:13-14

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you,
ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

John 15:7

You did not choose me, but I chose you
and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit
and that your fruit should abide,
so that whatever you ask the Father in my name,
he may give it to you.

John 15:16

In that day you will ask nothing of me.
Truly, truly, I say to you,
whatever you ask of the Father in my name,
he will give it to you.
Until now you have asked nothing in my name.
Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

John 16:23-24

Through him we have also obtained access by faith
into this grace in which we stand,
and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:2

For through him
we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

Ephesians 2:18

This was according to the eternal purpose
that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord,
in whom we have boldness and access
with confidence through our faith in him.

Ephesians 3:11-12

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly
than all that we ask or think,
according to the power at work within us.

Ephesians 3:20

Do not be anxious about anything,
but in everything by prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.
And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7

For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but one who in every respect
has been tempted as we are,
yet without sin.
Let us then with confidence
draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:15-16

Therefore, confess your sins to one another
and pray for one another, that you may be healed.
The prayer of a righteous person
has great power as it is working.

James 5:16

And this is the confidence that we have toward him,
that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.
And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask,
we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

1 John 5:14-15



Prayers for Answered Prayer

Be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all the day.

Psalms 86:3

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy,
when I cry to you for help,
when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

Psalms 28:2

But I am poor and needy;
hasten to me, O God!
You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay!

Psalms 70:5

O God, be not far from me; O my God, make haste to help me!

Psalms 71:12

Do not remember against us our former iniquities;
let your compassion come speedily to meet us,
for we are brought very low.

Psalms 79:8

Hear my prayer, O LORD; let my cry come to you!
Do not hide your face from me in the day of my distress!
Incline your ear to me; answer me speedily in the day when I call!

Psalms 102:1-2

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!
In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

Psalms 143:1

Answer me quickly, O LORD! My spirit fails!
Hide not your face from me,
lest I be like those who go down to the pit.

Psalms 143:7

But as for me, my prayer is to you, O LORD.
At an acceptable time, O God,
in the abundance of your steadfast love
answer me in your saving faithfulness.

Psalms 69:13

Hide not your face from me.
Turn not your servant away in anger,
O you who have been my help.
Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!

Psalms 27:9

Remember me, O LORD, when you show favor to your people;
help me when you save them,
that I may look upon the prosperity of your chosen ones,
that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,
that I may glory with your inheritance.

Psalms 106:4-5



Faith Affirmations

Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer
or removed his steadfast love from me!

Psalms 66:20

And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in you.

Psalms 39:7

I cry aloud to God, aloud to God, and he will hear me.

Psalms 77:1

I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

Psalms 118:21

Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

Psalms 116:2

The LORD has set apart the godly for himself;
the LORD hears when I call to him.

Psalms 4:3

I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.

2 Samuel 22:4



Yet he saved them for his name's sake,
that he might make known his mighty power.

Psalms 106:8

I will sprinkle clean water on you,
and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses,
and from all your idols I will cleanse you.
And I will give you a new heart,
and a new spirit I will put within you.
And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh
and give you a heart of flesh.
And I will put my Spirit within you,
and cause you to walk in my statutes
and be careful to obey my rules.

Ezekiel 36:25-27

He sent out his word and healed them,
and delivered them from their destruction.

Psalms 107:20

But Israel is saved by the LORD with everlasting salvation;
you shall not be put to shame or confounded to all eternity.

Isaiah 45:17

Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

Isaiah 55:5

I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me;
I was ready to be found by those who did not seek me.
I said, "Here am I, here am I,"
to a nation that was not called by my name.

Isaiah 65:1

In those days and in that time, declares the LORD,
the people of Israel and the people of Judah
shall come together, weeping as they come,
and they shall seek the LORD their God.
They shall ask the way to Zion, with faces turned toward it,
saying, "Come, let us join ourselves to the LORD
in an everlasting covenant that will never be forgotten."

Jeremiah 50:4-5

And I will give them one heart,
and a new spirit I will put within them.
I will remove the heart of stone from their flesh
and give them a heart of flesh, that they may walk in my statutes
and keep my rules and obey them.
And they shall be my people, and I will be their God.

Ezekiel 11:19-20

Have I any pleasure in the death of the wicked,
declares the Lord GOD,
and not rather that he should turn from his way and live?

Ezekiel 18:23

For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone,
declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.

Ezekiel 18:32

I will betroth you to me forever.
I will betroth you to me in righteousness and in justice,
in steadfast love and in mercy.
I will betroth you to me in faithfulness.
And you shall know the LORD.

Hosea 2:19-20

And it shall come to pass
that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.

Joel 2:32

I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.

Luke 5:32

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

Luke 19:10

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word
and believes him who sent me has eternal life.
He does not come into judgment,
but has passed from death to life.

Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here,
when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God,
and those who hear will live.

John 5:24-25

All that the Father gives me will come to me,
and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.

John 6:37

No one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.

John 6:65

I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved
and will go in and out and find pasture.

John 10:9

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life.
Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die.
Do you believe this?"

John 11:25-26

Jesus said to him,
"I am the way, and the truth, and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:6

These are written so that you may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,
and that by believing you may have life in his name.

John 20:31

Repent and be baptized every one of you
in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins,
and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
For the promise is for you
and for your children and for all who are far off,
everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.

Acts 2:38-39

Repent therefore, and turn again,
that your sins may be blotted out,
that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord,
and that he may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus.

Acts 3:19-20

God has granted repentance that leads to life.

Acts 11:18

Let it be known to you therefore, brothers,
that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you.

Acts 13:38

Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved,
you and your household.

Acts 16:31

To open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light
and from the power of Satan to God,
that they may receive forgiveness of sins
and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.

Acts 26:18

The gospel is the power of God
for salvation to everyone who believes.

Romans 1:16

And to the one who does not work
but believes in him who justifies the ungodly,
his faith is counted as righteousness.

Romans 4:5

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:1

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8

There is therefore now
no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:1

So then it depends not on human will or exertion,
but on God, who has mercy.

Romans 9:16

For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness
to everyone who believes.

Romans 10:4

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord
and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,
you will be saved.

Romans 10:9

The same Lord is Lord of all,
bestowing his riches on all who call on him.
For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Romans 10:12-13

So faith comes from hearing,
and hearing through the word of Christ.

Romans 10:17

The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing,
but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 1:18

For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:22

Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust,
we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

1 Corinthians 15:49

In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself,
not counting their trespasses against them.

2 Corinthians 5:19

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin,
so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21

For God has not destined us for wrath,
but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:9

For by grace you have been saved through faith.
And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,
not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

God our Savior who desires all people to be saved
and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:3-4

Our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death
and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

2 Timothy 1:10

He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness,
but according to his own mercy,
by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,
whom he poured out on us richly
through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Titus 3:5-6

Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost
those who draw near to God through him,
since he always lives to make intercession for them.

Hebrews 7:25

For this is the covenant
that I will make with the house of Israel
after those days, declares the Lord:
I will put my laws into their minds,
and write them on their hearts,
and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
And they shall not teach,
each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying,
'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me,
from the least of them to the greatest.
For I will be merciful toward their iniquities,
and I will remember their sins no more.

Hebrews 8:10-12

He has appeared once for all at the end of the ages
to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

Hebrews 9:26

For by a single offering he has perfected for all time
those who are being sanctified.

Hebrews 10:14

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise
as some count slowness,
but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish,
but that all should reach repentance.

2 Peter 3:9

And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life,
and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life;
whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

1 John 5:11-12

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us
understanding, so that we may know him who is true;
and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ.
He is the true God and eternal life.

1 John 5:20

Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead,
and the ruler of kings on earth.
To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood.
Revelation 1:5

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come."
And let the one who hears say, "Come."
And let the one who is thirsty come;
let the one who desires take the water of life without price.
Revelation 22:17



Prayers to God for Salvation

Save us, O God of our salvation,
and gather and deliver us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name
and glory in your praise.

1 Chronicles 16:35

O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.

Jeremiah 31:7

My heart's desire and prayer to God for them
is that they may be saved.

Romans 10:1

Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!

Mark 10:47

Turn, O LORD, deliver my life;
save me for the sake of your steadfast love.

Psalms 6:4

Save me, O God! For the waters have come up to my neck.

Psalms 69:1

But you, O GOD my Lord,
deal on my behalf for your name's sake;
because your steadfast love is good, deliver me!

Psalms 109:21

O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!

Psalms 116:4

Let my plea come before you;
deliver me according to your word.

Psalms 119:170



Faith Affirmations

I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living!

Psalms 27:13

You, O LORD, are our Father,
our Redeemer from of old is your name.

Isaiah 63:16

For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.

Psalms 62:1

4 Promises of God's Intention to Save the Nations

In your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed.

Genesis 22:18

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.

Psalms 2:8

All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.

Psalms 86:9

I will make you as a light for the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

Isaiah 49:6

Is it not written,
'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations?'

Mark 11:17

For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
to sprout up before all the nations.

Isaiah 61:11

If you return, O Israel, declares the LORD,
to me you should return.

If you remove your detestable things from my presence,
and do not waver, and if you swear, 'As the LORD lives,'
in truth, in justice, and in righteousness,
then nations shall bless themselves in him,
and in him shall they glory.

Jeremiah 4:1-2

So I will show my greatness and my holiness
and make myself known in the eyes of many nations.
Then they will know that I am the LORD.

Ezekiel 38:23

For from the rising of the sun to its setting
my name will be great among the nations,
and in every place
incense will be offered to my name,
and a pure offering.
For my name will be great among the nations,
says the LORD of hosts.

Malachi 1:11

I am a great King, says the LORD of hosts,
and my name will be feared among the nations.

Malachi 1:14

And this gospel of the kingdom
will be proclaimed throughout the whole world
as a testimony to all nations,
and then the end will come.

Matthew 24:14

We have received grace and apostleship
to bring about the obedience of faith
for the sake of his name among all the nations.

Romans 1:5

Now to him who is able to strengthen you
according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ,
according to the revelation of the mystery
that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed
and through the prophetic writings has been made known
to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God,
to bring about the obedience of faith.

Romans 16:25-26

After this I looked, and behold,
a great multitude that no one could number,
from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages,
standing before the throne and before the Lamb,
clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,
and crying out with a loud voice,
“Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne,
and to the Lamb!”

Revelation 7:9-10



Prayers Asking God For the Gospel to Advance

Finally, brothers, pray for us,
that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored,
as happened among you,
and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men.
For not all have faith.

2 Thessalonians 3:1-2

Pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest
to send out laborers into his harvest.

Luke 10:2

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.

Psalms 67:2

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!
Let your glory be over all the earth!

Psalms 108:5

And now, Lord, look upon their threats
and grant to your servants
to continue to speak your word with all boldness,
while you stretch out your hand to heal,
and signs and wonders are performed
through the name of your holy servant Jesus.

Acts 4:30

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice,
and let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"

1 Chronicles 16:31

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Psalms 67:3

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

Psalms 67:4

How to Pray So that People Will Be Saved

Brothers, my heart's desire
and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved.

Romans 10:1

First of all, then,
I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions,
and thanksgivings be made for all people,
for kings and all who are in high positions,
that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life,
godly and dignified in every way.
This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior,
who desires all people to be saved
and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:1-4

The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few;
therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest
to send out laborers into his harvest.

Matthew 9:38

Continue steadfastly in prayer,
being watchful in it with thanksgiving.
At the same time, pray also for us,
that God may open to us a door for the word,
to declare the mystery of Christ,
on account of which I am in prison—
that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.

Colossians 4:2-4

Praying at all times in the Spirit,
with all prayer and supplication.
To that end keep alert with all perseverance,
making supplication for all the saints, and also for me,
that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly
to proclaim the mystery of the gospel,
for which I am an ambassador in chains,
that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

Ephesians 6:18-20



Faith Affirmations

You are the God who works wonders;
you have made known your might among the peoples.

Psalms 77:14

O LORD, my strength and my stronghold,
my refuge in the day of trouble,
to you shall the nations come from the ends of the earth and say:
“Our fathers have inherited nothing but lies,
worthless things in which there is no profit.”

Jeremiah 16:19

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, among the peoples;
I will sing praises to you among the nations.

Psalms 108:3

I will declare your greatness.

Psalms 145:6

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

Psalms 105:1

Give thanks to the LORD,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

Isaiah 12:4

For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not be quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
and her salvation as a burning torch.

Isaiah 62:1

But I do not account my life of any value
nor as precious to myself,
if only I may finish my course
and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus,
to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

Acts 20:24

All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.

Psalms 86:9

The earth will be filled
with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

Habakkuk 2:14

All the ends of the earth
shall remember and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before you.

Psalms 22:27

All the nations you have made
shall come and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.

Psalms 86:9

5 Promises of God's Love for His People

Yes, he loved his people, all his holy ones were in his hand.

Deuteronomy 33:3

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

Psalms 32:10

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love.

Psalms 33:18

To you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.

Psalms 62:12

You, O Lord, are good and forgiving,
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

Psalms 86:5

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;
steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.

Psalms 89:14

Who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

Psalms 103:4

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Psalms 103:8

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him.

Psalms 103:11

By steadfast love and faithfulness iniquity is atoned for,
and by the fear of the LORD one turns away from evil.

Proverbs 16:6

Can a woman forget her nursing child,
that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb?
Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.

Isaiah 49:15

“My steadfast love shall not depart from you,
and my covenant of peace shall not be removed,” says the LORD,
who has compassion on you.

Isaiah 54:10

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;
his mercies never come to an end.

Lamentations 3:22

Though he cause grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

Lamentations 3:32

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and
passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance?
He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in steadfast love.

Micah 7:18

Your eyes saw my unformed substance;
in your book were written, every one of them,
the days that were formed for me,
when as yet there was none of them.
How precious to me are your thoughts, O God!
How vast is the sum of them!
If I would count them, they are more than the sand.
I awake, and I am still with you.

Psalms 139:16-18

When my spirit faints within me, you know my way!

Psalms 142:3

And the LORD said to me, "Go again, love a woman
who is loved by another man and is an adulteress,
even as the LORD loves the children of Israel,
though they turn to other gods."

Hosea 3:1

The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness;
he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.

Zephaniah 3:17

Are not two sparrows sold for a penny?
And not one of them will fall to the ground
apart from your Father.
But even the hairs of your head are all numbered.
Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Matthew 10:29-31

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.

John 15:9

To all those in Rome who are loved by God.

Romans 1:7

What then shall we say to these things?
If God is for us, who can be against us?
He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all,
how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

Romans 8:31-32

For I am sure that neither death nor life,
nor angels nor rulers,
nor things present nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

In love he predestined us for adoption
as sons through Jesus Christ,
according to the purpose of his will.

Ephesians 1:4-5

See what kind of love the Father has given to us,
that we should be called children of God; and so we are!

1 John 3:1

In this the love of God was made manifest among us,
that God sent his only Son into the world,
so that we might live through him.
In this is love, not that we have loved God
but that he loved us
and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:9-10

He brought me out into a broad place;
he rescued me, because he delighted in me.

2 Samuel 22:20

The steps of a man are established by the LORD,
when he delights in his way;
though he fall, he shall not be cast headlong,
for the LORD upholds his hand.

Psalms 37:23-24

Not by their own sword did they win the land,
nor did their own arm save them,
but your right hand and your arm,
and the light of your face,
for you delighted in them.

Psalms 44:3

He raises up the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from the ash heap
to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor.

1 Samuel 2:8

He will tend his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms;
he will carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead those that are with young.

Isaiah 40:11

Who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Psalms 103:5

For he satisfies the longing soul,
and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

Psalms 107:92



Prayers Regarding God's Love

Now may the LORD show steadfast love and faithfulness to you.

2 Samuel 2:6

Wondrously show your steadfast love.

Psalms 17:7

Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we hope in you.

Psalms 33:22

Rise up; come to our help!
Redeem us for the sake of your steadfast love!

Psalms 44:26

We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,
in the midst of your temple.

Psalms 48:9

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

Psalms 51:1

Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good;
according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.

Psalms 69:16

Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

Psalms 85:7

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Psalms 90:14

But you, O GOD my Lord,
deal on my behalf for your name's sake;
because your steadfast love is good, deliver me!

Psalms 109:21

Let your steadfast love come to me, O LORD,
your salvation according to your promise.

Psalms 119:41

Deal with your servant according to your steadfast love.

Psalms 119:124

Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love,
for in you I trust.
Make me know the way I should go,
for to you I lift up my soul.

Psalms 143:8

Please pardon the iniquity of this people,
according to the greatness of your steadfast love.

Numbers 14:19

But I have trusted in your steadfast love;
my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

Psalms 13:5

Remember your mercy, O LORD,
and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.
Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

Psalms 25:6-7

That you, being rooted and grounded in love,
may have strength to comprehend with all the saints
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ
that surpasses knowledge,
that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:17b-19

I in them and you in me,
that they may become perfectly one,
so that the world may know that you sent me
and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:23

I made known to them your name,
and I will continue to make it known,
that the love with which you have loved me
may be in them, and I in them.

John 17:26

I appeal to you, brothers,
by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit,
to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf.

Romans 15:30

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God
and to the steadfastness of Christ.

2 Thessalonians 3:5



Faith Affirmations

For great is his steadfast love toward us!

Psalms 117:2

Your steadfast love is before my eyes,
and I walk in your faithfulness.

Psalms 26:3

O my Strength, I will sing praises to you,
for you, O God, are my fortress,
the God who shows me steadfast love.

Psalms 59:17

Blessed be the LORD,
for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me
when I was in a besieged city.

Psalms 31:21

But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love,
will enter your house.
I will bow down toward your holy temple in the fear of you.

Psalms 5:7

Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.

Psalms 63:3

By day the LORD commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.

Psalms 42:8

He is my steadfast love and my fortress,
my stronghold and my deliverer,
my shield and he in whom I take refuge.

Psalms 144:2

But I will sing of your strength;
I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning.
For you have been to me a fortress
and a refuge in the day of my distress.

Psalms 59:16

As for you, O LORD, you will not restrain your mercy from me;
your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!

Psalms 40:11

You have granted me life and steadfast love,
and your care has preserved my spirit.

Job 10:12

I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love,
because you have seen my affliction;
you have known the distress of my soul.

Psalms 31:7

But I have trusted in your steadfast love;
my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

Psalms 13:5

So we have come to know and to believe
the love that God has for us.

1 John 4:16

When I thought, “My foot slips,”
your steadfast love, O LORD, held me up.
When the cares of my heart are many,
your consolations cheer my soul.

Psalms 94:18-19

You have led in your steadfast love
the people whom you have redeemed;
you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

Exodus 15:13

And in your steadfast love you will cut off my enemies,
and you will destroy all the adversaries of my soul,
for I am your servant.

Psalms 143:12

I am like a green olive tree in the house of God.
I trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.

Psalms 52:8

But I have trusted in your steadfast love;
my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

Psalms 13:5

For great is your steadfast love toward me.

Psalms 86:13

6 Promises to the Church

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD
there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption.
And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Psalms 130:8

And of Zion it shall be said,
“This one and that one were born in her”;
for the Most High himself will establish her.
The LORD records as he registers the peoples,
“This one was born there.”

Psalms 87:5-6

Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity! ...
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing,
life forevermore.

Psalms 133:1, 3

For the LORD will vindicate his people
and have compassion on his servants.

Psalms 135:14

Can a woman forget her nursing child,
that she should have no compassion
on the son of her womb?
Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.

Isaiah 49:15

“Sing, O barren one, who did not bear;
break forth into singing and cry aloud,
you who have not been in labor!
For the children of the desolate one will be more
than the children of her who is married,” says the LORD.

Isaiah 54:1

Compare:

For it is written, “Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear;
break forth and cry aloud, you who are not in labor!
For the children of the desolate one will be more
than those of the one who has a husband.”
Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise...
born according to the Spirit.

Galatians 4:27-29

These I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.
Isaiah 56:7

And the LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your desire
in scorched places and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.
And your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to dwell in.

Isaiah 58:10-12

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will be seen upon you.
And nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your rising.
Lift up your eyes all around, and see;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from afar,
and your daughters shall be carried on the hip.
Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and exult,
because the abundance of the sea
shall be turned to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

Isaiah 60:1-5

Whereas you have been forsaken and hated,
with no one passing through,
I will make you majestic forever,
a joy from age to age.

Isaiah 60:15

The nations shall see your righteousness,
and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty
in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate,
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.

Isaiah 62:2-4

Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD,
when I will make a new covenant
with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.
But this is the covenant that I will make
with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD:
I will put my law within them,
and I will write it on their hearts.
And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor
and each his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,'
for they shall all know me,
from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD.
For I will forgive their iniquity,
and I will remember their sin no more.

Jeremiah 31:31, 33-34

With weeping they shall come, and with pleas for mercy
I will lead them back, I will make them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,
for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Jeremiah 31:9

And you are my sheep, human sheep of my pasture,
and I am your God, declares the Lord GOD.

Ezekiel 34:31

I will make a covenant of peace with them.
It shall be an everlasting covenant with them.
And I will set them in their land and multiply them,
and will set my sanctuary in their midst forevermore.
My dwelling place shall be with them, and I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.
Then the nations will know
that I am the LORD who sanctifies Israel,
when my sanctuary is in their midst forevermore.

Ezekiel 37:26-28

And the kingdom and the dominion
and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven
shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High;
their kingdom shall be an everlasting kingdom,
and all dominions shall serve and obey them.

Daniel 7:27

Yet the number of the children of Israel
shall be like the sand of the sea,
which cannot be measured or numbered.
And in the place where it was said to them,
“You are not my people,”
it shall be said to them, “Children of the living God.”

Hosea 1:10

Compare:

Even us whom he has called,
not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles?
As indeed he says in Hosea,
“Those who were not my people I will call ‘my people,’
and her who was not beloved I will call ‘beloved.’”
“And in the very place where it was said to them,
‘You are not my people,’
there they will be called ‘sons of the living God.’”

Romans 9:24-26

It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and it shall be lifted up above the hills;
and peoples shall flow to it,
and many nations shall come, and say:
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”
For out of Zion shall go forth the law,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

Micah 4:1-2

As in the days when you came out of the land of Egypt,
I will show them marvelous things.

Micah 7:15

On that day you shall not be put to shame
because of the deeds by which you have rebelled against me;
for then I will remove from your midst
your proudly exultant ones,
and you shall no longer be haughty in my holy mountain.
But I will leave in your midst a people humble and lowly.
They shall seek refuge in the name of the LORD.

Zephaniah 3:11-12

Behold, at that time I will deal with all your oppressors.
And I will save the lame and gather the outcast,
and I will change their shame into praise
and renown in all the earth.
At that time I will bring you in,
at the time when I gather you together;
for I will make you renowned and praised
among all the peoples of the earth,
when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the LORD.

Zephaniah 3:19-20

And I will be to her a wall of fire all around, declares the LORD,
and I will be the glory in her midst.

Zechariah 2:5

According to the covenant that I made with you
when you came out of Egypt.
My Spirit remains in your midst. Fear not.

Haggai 2:5

Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion, for behold,
I come and I will dwell in your midst, declares the LORD.
And many nations shall join themselves to the LORD
in that day, and shall be my people.
And I will dwell in your midst, and you shall know
that the LORD of hosts has sent me to you.

Zechariah 2:10-11

I will bring them to dwell in the midst of Jerusalem.
And they shall be my people, and I will be their God,
in faithfulness and in righteousness.

Zechariah 8:8

On that day the LORD their God will save them,
as the flock of his people;
for like the jewels of a crown they shall shine on his land.
For how great is his goodness, and how great his beauty!

Zechariah 9:16-17

Then the righteous will shine like the sun
in the kingdom of their Father.

Matthew 13:43

I will build my church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven,
and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven,
and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Matthew 16:18-19

My house shall be called a house of prayer.

Matthew 21:13

Then the King will say to those on his right,
“Come, you who are blessed by my Father,
inherit the kingdom prepared for you
from the foundation of the world.”

Matthew 25:34

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.
And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:19-20

When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them,
and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.

John 10:4

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,
just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;
and I lay down my life for the sheep.

John 10:14-15

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.
I give them eternal life, and they will never perish,
and no one will snatch them out of my hand.

John 10:27-28

I have manifested your name
to the people whom you gave me out of the world.
Yours they were, and you gave them to me,
and they have kept your word.

John 17:6

I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one,
so that the world may know that you sent me
and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:23

Father, I desire that they also,
whom you have given me, may be with me where I am,
to see my glory that you have given me
because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

John 17:24

I made known to them your name,
and I will continue to make it known,
that the love with which you have loved me
may be in them, and I in them.

John 17:26

The church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.

Acts 20:28

We have the mind of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:16

So let no one boast in men.

For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas
or the world or life or death or the present or the future –
all are yours, and you are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

1 Corinthians 3:21-23

But as it is, God arranged the members in the body,
each one of them, as he chose.

1 Corinthians 12:18

God has so composed the body,
giving greater honor to the part that lacked it,
that there may be no division in the body,
but that the members may have the same care for one another.
If one member suffers, all suffer together;
if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

1 Corinthians 12:24-26

But thanks be to God,
who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession,
and through us spreads the fragrance
of the knowledge of him everywhere.

2 Corinthians 2:14

For in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.
For as many of you as were baptized into Christ
have put on Christ.

Galatians 3:26-29

And if you are Christ's,
then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Galatians 3:29

(He) raised us up with him
and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:6

In him you also are being built together
into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Ephesians 2:22

Through the church
the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known
to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 3:10

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly
than all that we ask or think,
according to the power at work within us,
to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus
throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21

And he gave the apostles, the prophets,
the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers,
to equip the saints for the work of ministry,
for building up the body of Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-12

The whole body, nourished and knit together
through its joints and ligaments,
grows with a growth that is from God.

Colossians 2:19

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Colossians 3:3

For you are all children of light, children of the day.
We are not of the night or of the darkness.

1 Thessalonians 5:5

For he who sanctifies
and those who are sanctified all have one source.
That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers.

Hebrews 2:11

But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one.
Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God,
for he has prepared for them a city.

Hebrews 11:16

You yourselves like living stones
are being built up as a spiritual house,
to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices
acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:5

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, a people for his own possession,
that you may proclaim the excellencies of him
who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

1 Peter 2:9

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another,
and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

1 John 1:7

My little children,
I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin.
But if anyone does sin,
we have an advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous.

1 John 2:1

Beloved, we are God's children now,
and what we will be has not yet appeared;
but we know that when he appears
we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.
And everyone who thus hopes in him
purifies himself as he is pure.

1 John 3:2-3

To those who are called,
beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ.

Jude 1:1

Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne
will shelter them with his presence.

Revelation 7:15

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

Revelation 7:17

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
“Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.
He will dwell with them, and they will be his people,
and God himself will be with them as their God.
He will wipe away every tear from their eyes,
and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning,
nor crying, nor pain anymore,
for the former things have passed away.”

Revelation 21:3-4

No longer will there be anything accursed,
but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it,
and his servants will worship him.
They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.
And night will be no more.
They will need no light of lamp or sun,
for the Lord God will be their light,
and they will reign forever and ever.

Revelation 22:3-5



Prayers For the Church (see also under Prayer Blessings)

I do not cease to give thanks for you,
remembering you in my prayers,
that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory,
may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation
in the knowledge of him,
having the eyes of your hearts enlightened,
that you may know what is the hope
to which he has called you,
what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,
and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power
toward us who believe,
according to the working of his great might.

Ephesians 1:16-19

That according to the riches of his glory
he may grant you to be strengthened with power
through his Spirit in your inner being,
so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.

Ephesians 3:16-17a

That you, being rooted and grounded in love,
may have strength to comprehend with all the saints
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ
that surpasses knowledge,
that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:17b-19

I do not ask for these only,
but also for those who will believe in me through their word.
That they may all be one,
just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you,
that they also may be in us,
so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

John 17:20-21

I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one,
so that the world may know that you sent me
and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:23

That your love may abound more and more,
with knowledge and all discernment,
so that you may approve what is excellent,
and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,
filled with the fruit of righteousness
that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Philippians 1:9-11

That you may be filled with the knowledge of his will
in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,
so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord,
fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work
and increasing in the knowledge of God.

Colossians 1:9-10

May you be strengthened with all power,
according to his glorious might,
for all endurance and patience with joy,
giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you
to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Colossians 1:11-12

We always pray for you,
that our God may make you worthy of his calling
and may fulfill every resolve for good
and every work of faith by his power,
so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you,
and you in him, according to the grace of our God
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12



Faith Affirmations

I will thank you in the great congregation;
in the mighty throng I will praise you.

Psalms 35:18

I will thank you forever, because you have done it.
I will wait for your name, for it is good,
in the presence of the godly.

Psalms 52:9

I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.

Hebrews 2:12

My foot stands on level ground;
in the great assembly I will bless the LORD.

Psalms 26:12

Praise the LORD!
I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Psalms 111:1

I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

Psalms 116:14



“When he ascended on high
 he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men.”
 And he gave the apostles, the prophets,
 the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers,
 to equip the saints for the work of ministry,
 for building up the body of Christ
 until we all attain to the unity of the faith
 and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood,
 to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:8, 11-13

When one rules justly over men,
 ruling in the fear of God,
 he dawns on them like the morning light,
 like the sun shining forth on a cloudless morning,
 like rain that makes grass to sprout from the earth.

2 Samuel 23:3-4

I will set shepherds over them who will care for them,
 and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed,
 neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 23:4

I will give you shepherds after my own heart,
 who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.

Jeremiah 3:15

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth.
 And the LORD said to me,
 “Behold, I have put my words in your mouth.”

Jeremiah 1:9

Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth
 and teach you what you shall speak.

Exodus 4:12

I have put my words in your mouth
 and covered you in the shadow of my hand.

Isaiah 51:16

Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream,
but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully.
What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD.
Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD,
and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

Jeremiah 23:28-29

Therefore thus says the LORD:

“If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
you shall be as my mouth.
They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them.”

Jeremiah 15:19



Prayers For Leaders

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers,
intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people,
for kings and all who are in high positions,
that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life,
godly and dignified in every way.
This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior,
who desires all people to be saved
and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:1-4

Give your servant therefore an understanding mind
to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil,
for who is able to govern this your great people?

1 Kings 3:9

I appeal to you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ
and by the love of the Spirit,
to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf,
that I may be delivered from the unbelievers in Judea,
and that my service for Jerusalem
may be acceptable to the saints,
so that by God’s will I may come to you with joy
and be refreshed in your company.

Romans 15:30-32

(Pray) also for me,
that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly
to proclaim the mystery of the gospel.

Ephesians 6:19-20



Faith Affirmations

But we will devote ourselves to prayer
and to the ministry of the word.

Acts 6:4

For I decided to know nothing among you
except Jesus Christ and him crucified.

1 Corinthians 2:2

Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God.
Not that we are sufficient in ourselves
to claim anything as coming from us,
but our sufficiency is from God, who has made us sufficient
to be ministers of a new covenant,
not of the letter but of the Spirit.
For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

2 Corinthians 3:4-6

So you also,
when you have done all that you were commanded, say,
'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'

Luke 17:10

The saying is trustworthy
and deserving of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners,
of whom I am the foremost.

1 Timothy 1:15

But I do not account my life of any value
nor as precious to myself,
if only I may finish my course
and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus,
to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

Acts 20:24

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Promises on the Power of God's Word

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth,
but you shall meditate on it day and night,
so that you may be careful to do
according to all that is written in it.
For then you will make your way prosperous,
and then you will have good success.

Joshua 1:8

But his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he meditates day and night.
He is like a tree planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

Psalms 1:2-3

When you walk, they will lead you;
when you lie down, they will watch over you;
and when you awake, they will talk with you.
For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching a light,
and the reproofs of discipline are the way of life.

Proverbs 6:22-23

Every word of God proves true;
he is a shield to those who take refuge in him.

Proverbs 30:5

So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

Isaiah 55:11

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

Mark 13:31

And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace,
which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance
among all those who are sanctified.

Acts 20:32

For whatever was written in former days
was written for our instruction, that through endurance
and through the encouragement of the Scriptures
we might have hope.

Romans 15:4

And we also thank God constantly for this,
that when you received the word of God,
which you heard from us, you accepted it
not as the word of men but as what it really is,
the word of God, which is at work in you believers.

1 Thessalonians 2:13

For everything created by God is good,
and nothing is to be rejected
if it is received with thanksgiving,
for it is made holy by the word of God and prayer.

1 Timothy 4:4-5

From childhood
you have been acquainted with the sacred writings,
which are able to make you wise for salvation
through faith in Christ Jesus.
All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching,
for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,
that the man of God may be competent,
equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:15-17

For the word of God is living and active,
sharper than any two-edged sword,
piercing to the division of soul and of spirit,
of joints and of marrow,
and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Hebrews 4:12

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights
with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.
Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth,
that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

James 1:17-18

Since you have been born again,
not of perishable seed but of imperishable,
through the living and abiding word of God;
for “All flesh is like grass
and all its glory like the flower of grass.
The grass withers, and the flower falls,
but the word of the Lord remains forever.”
And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

1 Peter 1:23-25

Knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture
comes from someone’s own interpretation.
For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man,
but men spoke from God
as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

2 Peter 1:20-21

I write to you, fathers,
because you know him who is from the beginning.
I write to you, young men,
because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you,
and you have overcome the evil one.

1 John 2:14

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy,
and blessed are those who hear,
and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

Revelation 1:3



Prayers Regarding God’s Word

Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.
Psalms 119:18

Make your face shine upon your servant,
and teach me your statutes.

Psalms 119:135

Remember your word to your servant,
in which you have made me hope.

Psalms 119:49

I entreat your favor with all my heart;
be gracious to me according to your promise.

Psalms 119:58

Let your steadfast love comfort me
according to your promise to your servant.

Psalms 119:76

Uphold me according to your promise,
that I may live, and let me not be put to shame in my hope!

Psalms 119:116

Let your mercy come to me,
that I may live; for your law is my delight.

Psalms 119:77

Deal bountifully with your servant,
that I may live and keep your word.

Psalms 119:17

Give me life according to your word!

Psalms 119:25

Make me understand the way of your precepts,
and I will meditate on your wondrous works.

Psalms 119:27

Let my cry come before you, O LORD;
give me understanding according to your word!

Psalms 119:169

I am your servant;
give me understanding, that I may know your testimonies!

Psalms 119:125

With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!

Psalms 119:10

Turn to me and be gracious to me,
as is your way with those who love your name.
Keep steady my steps according to your promise,
and let no iniquity get dominion over me.

Psalms 119:132-133

Let your hand be ready to help me,
for I have chosen your precepts.

Psalms 119:173

Incline my heart to your testimonies,
and not to selfish gain!
Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things;
and give me life in your ways.

Psalms 119:36-37

Put false ways far from me
and graciously teach me your law!

Psalms 119:29

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes;
and I will keep it to the end.
Give me understanding, that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.

Psalms 119:33-34

Teach me good judgment and knowledge,
for I believe in your commandments.

Psalms 119:66

Take away from me scorn and contempt,
for I have kept your testimonies.

Psalms 119:22

I cling to your testimonies, O LORD; let me not be put to shame!

Psalms 119:31

I am severely afflicted;
give me life, O LORD, according to your word!

Psalms 119:107

Look on my affliction and deliver me, for I do not forget your law.
Plead my cause and redeem me;
give me life according to your promise!

Psalms 119:153-154

Let those who fear you turn to me,
that they may know your testimonies.

Psalms 119:79



Faith Affirmations

Forever, O LORD, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.

Psalms 119:89

I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

Psalms 119:112

I will meditate on your precepts
and fix my eyes on your ways.
I will delight in your statutes;
I will not forget your word.

Psalms 119:15-16

The LORD is my portion; I promise to keep your words.

Psalms 119:57

You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in your word.

Psalms 119:114

I rise before dawn and cry for help; I hope in your words.

Psalms 119:147

I shall walk in a wide place, for I have sought your precepts.

Psalms 119:45

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Promises to Send Revival

If you return, O Israel, declares the LORD,
to me you should return.

If you remove your detestable things from my presence,
and do not waver,
and if you swear, 'As the LORD lives,'
in truth, in justice, and in righteousness,
then nations shall bless themselves in him,
and in him shall they glory.

Jeremiah 4:1-2

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul.

Psalms 19:7

Your people will offer themselves freely
on the day of your power, in holy garments;
from the womb of the morning,
the dew of your youth will be yours.

Psalms 110:3

It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be lifted up above the hills;
and all the nations shall flow to it,
and many peoples shall come, and say:
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”
For out of Zion shall go the law,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

Isaiah 2:2-3

In that day the remnant of Israel
and the survivors of the house of Jacob
will no more lean on him who struck them,
but will lean on the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth.
A remnant will return, the remnant of Jacob, to the mighty God.

Isaiah 10:20-21

In days to come Jacob shall take root, Israel shall blossom
and put forth shoots and fill the whole world with fruit.

Isaiah 27:6

Is it not yet a very little while
until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?
In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book,
and out of their gloom and darkness
the eyes of the blind shall see.
The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD,
and the poor among mankind
shall exult in the Holy One of Israel.

Isaiah 29:17-19

Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham,
concerning the house of Jacob:
Jacob shall no more be ashamed,
no more shall his face grow pale.

Isaiah 29:22

Until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high,
and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field is deemed a forest.

Isaiah 32:15

Your eyes will behold the king in his beauty;
they will see a land that stretches afar.

Isaiah 33:17

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad;
the desert shall rejoice and blossom like the crocus;
it shall blossom abundantly
and rejoice with joy and singing.
The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.
They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God.

Isaiah 35:1-2

Then shall the lame man leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.
For waters break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert.

Isaiah 35:6

I will open rivers on the bare heights,
and fountains in the midst of the valleys.
I will make the wilderness a pool of water,
and the dry land springs of water.

Isaiah 41:18

I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
that they might declare my praise.

Isaiah 43:20-21

For I will pour water on the thirsty land,
and streams on the dry ground;
I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring,
and my blessing on your descendants.
They shall spring up among the grass
like willows by flowing streams.
This one will say, 'I am the LORD's,'
another will call on the name of Jacob,
and another will write on his hand,
'The LORD's,' and name himself by the name of Israel.

Isaiah 44:3-5

For the LORD comforts Zion;
he comforts all her waste places
and makes her wilderness like Eden,
her desert like the garden of the LORD;
joy and gladness will be found in her,
thanksgiving and the voice of song.

Isaiah 51:3

All your children shall be taught by the LORD,
and great shall be the peace of your children.

Isaiah 54:13

Go, and proclaim these words toward the north,
and say, "Return, faithless Israel, declares the LORD.
I will not look on you in anger,
for I am merciful, declares the LORD;
I will not be angry forever."

Jeremiah 3:12

I will give them a heart to know that I am the LORD,
and they shall be my people and I will be their God,
for they shall return to me with their whole heart.

Jeremiah 24:7

For I will restore health to you,
and your wounds I will heal, declares the LORD,
because they have called you an outcast:
'It is Zion, for whom no one cares!'

Jeremiah 30:17

Out of them shall come songs of thanksgiving,
and the voices of those who celebrate.
I will multiply them, and they shall not be few;
I will make them honored, and they shall not be small.

Jeremiah 30:19

With weeping they shall come,
and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back,
I will make them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,
for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Jeremiah 31:9

Come, let us return to the LORD;
for he has torn us, that he may heal us;
he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.
After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD;
his going out is sure as the dawn;
he will come to us as the showers,
as the spring rains that water the earth.

Hosea 6:1-3

I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten.
Joel 2:25



Prayers for Revival

Look down from your holy habitation, from heaven,
and bless your people Israel.

Deuteronomy 26:15

Let your eyes be open to the plea of your servant
and to the plea of your people Israel,
giving ear to them whenever they call to you.

1 Kings 8:52

Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me.

2 Kings 2:9

Come from the four winds, O breath,
and breathe on these slain, that they may live.

Ezekiel 37:9

Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
and put away your indignation toward us!
Will you be angry with us forever?
Will you prolong your anger to all generations?
Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?

Psalms 85:4-6

O LORD, I have heard the report of you,
and your work, O LORD, do I fear.
In the midst of the years revive it;
in the midst of the years make it known;
in wrath remember mercy.

Habakkuk 3:2

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains might quake at your presence—
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!

Isaiah 64:1-2

Gladden the soul of your servant,
for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

Psalms 86:4

Bring me out of prison, that I may give thanks to your name!

Psalms 142:7

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb!

Psalms 126:4

Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;
let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!

Psalms 43:3

You have said, “Seek my face.”
My heart says to you, “Your face, LORD, do I seek.”

Psalms 27:8

Remember me, O LORD, when you show favor to your people;
help me when you save them!

Psalms 106:4



Faith Affirmations

Your words were found, and I ate them,
and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart,
for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts.

Jeremiah 15:16

I delight to do your will, O my God;
your law is within my heart.

Psalms 40:8

The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.

Psalms 126:3

You who have made me see many troubles and calamities
will revive me again;
from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again.

Psalms 71:20

Rain in abundance, O God, you shed abroad;
you restored your inheritance as it languished.

Psalms 68:9

Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD;
his going out is sure as the dawn;
he will come to us as the showers,
as the spring rains that water the earth.

Hosea 6:3

You will arise and have pity on Zion;
it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come.

Psalms 102:13

10  **Promises of
The Holy Spirit's Powerful Ministry**

Until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high,
and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field is deemed a forest.

Isaiah 32:15

I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live.

Ezekiel 37:14

Our gospel came to you not only in word,
but also in power
and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction.

1 Thessalonians 1:5

In him you also,
when you heard the word of truth,
the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him,
were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,
who is the guarantee of our inheritance
until we acquire possession of it,
to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 1:13-14

I will not hide my face anymore from them,
when I pour out my Spirit upon the house of Israel,
declares the Lord GOD.

Ezekiel 39:29

And it shall come to pass afterward,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.
Even on the male and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

Joel 2:28-29

He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 3:11

If you then, who are evil,
know how to give good gifts to your children,
how much more will the heavenly Father
give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

Luke 11:13

And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you.
But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.

Luke 24:49

On the last day of the feast, the great day,
Jesus stood up and cried out,
“If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink.
Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said,
‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’”
Now this he said about the Spirit,
whom those who believed in him were to receive,
for as yet the Spirit had not been given,
because Jesus was not yet glorified.

John 7:37-39

Truly, truly, I say to you,
whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do;
and greater works than these will he do,
because I am going to the Father.

John 14:12

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper,
to be with you forever even the Spirit of truth,
whom the world cannot receive,
because it neither sees him nor knows him.
You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

John 14:16-17

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
he will teach you all things
and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do I give to you.
Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.

John 14:26-27

When the Spirit of truth comes,
he will guide you into all the truth,
for he will not speak on his own authority,
but whatever he hears he will speak,
and he will declare to you the things that are to come.
He will glorify me,
for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

John 16:13-14

And when he had said this,
he breathed on them and said to them,
“Receive the Holy Spirit.”

John 20:22

But you will receive power
when the Holy Spirit has come upon you,
and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem
and in all Judea and Samaria,
and to the end of the earth.

Acts 1:8

God’s love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Romans 5:5

But now we are released from the law,
having died to that which held us captive,
so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit
and not in the old way of the written code.

Romans 7:6

For if you live according to the flesh you will die,
but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body,
you will live.

Romans 8:13

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.
For you did not receive the spirit of slavery
to fall back into fear,
but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons,
by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!”

Romans 8:14-15

And because you are sons,
God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts,
crying, “Abba! Father!”

Galatians 4:6

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit
that we are children of God.

Romans 8:16

But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the heart of man imagined,
what God has prepared for those who love him” –
these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit.
For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

1 Corinthians 2:9-10

Now we have received not the spirit of the world,
but the Spirit who is from God,
that we might understand the things
freely given us by God.

1 Corinthians 2:12

To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit
for the common good.

1 Corinthians 12:7

All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit,
who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

1 Corinthians 12:11

Who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant,
not of the letter but of the Spirit.
For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

2 Corinthians 3:6

Now the Lord is the Spirit,
and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.
And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord,
are being transformed into the same image
from one degree of glory to another.
For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 3:17-18

Walk by the Spirit,
and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

Galatians 5:16

But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

Galatians 5:18

But the fruit of the Spirit is
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control;
against such things there is no law.

Galatians 5:22-23

For the one who sows to his own flesh
will from the flesh reap corruption,
but the one who sows to the Spirit
will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

Galatians 6:8

But you have been anointed by the Holy One,
and you all have knowledge.

1 John 2:20

But the anointing that you received from him abides in you,
and you have no need that anyone should teach you.
...his anointing teaches you about everything,
and is true, and is no lie.

1 John 2:27



Prayers for God to Give His Spirit

Come from the four winds, O breath,
and breathe on these slain, that they may live.

Ezekiel 37:9

Now therefore, O our God,
listen to the prayer of your servant
and to his pleas for mercy,
and for your own sake, O Lord,
make your face to shine upon your sanctuary, which is desolate.

Daniel 9:17

O God, you have rejected us, broken our defenses;
you have been angry; oh, restore us!

Psalms 60:1

O God, why do you cast us off forever?
Why does your anger smoke against the sheep of your pasture?
Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,
which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!
Remember Mount Zion, where you have dwelt.

Psalms 74:1-2

O LORD God of hosts,
how long will you be angry with your people's prayers?

Psalms 80:4

Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine, that we may be saved!

Psalms 80:7

Give us life, and we will call upon your name!

Psalms 80:18

Restore us again, O God of our salvation,
and put away your indignation toward us!

Psalms 85:4

O you hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble,
why should you be like a stranger in the land,
like a traveler who turns aside to tarry for a night?
Why should you be like a man confused,
like a mighty warrior who cannot save?
Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us,
and we are called by your name; do not leave us.

Jeremiah 14:8-9

But you, O LORD, reign forever;
your throne endures to all generations.
Why do you forget us forever,
why do you forsake us for so many days?
Restore us to yourself, O LORD, that we may be restored!
Renew our days as of old.

Lamentations 5:21

You have disciplined me,
and I was disciplined, like an untrained calf;
bring me back that I may be restored,
for you are the LORD my God.

Jeremiah 31:18

Summon your power, O God,
the power, O God, by which you have worked for us.

Psalms 68:28

That according to the riches of his glory
he may grant you to be strengthened with power
through his Spirit in your inner being,
so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.

Ephesians 3:16-17

Stir up your might and come to save us!

Psalms 80:2

There are many who say,
“Who will show us some good?
Lift up the light of your face upon us, O LORD!”

Psalms 4:6

May God be gracious to us
and bless us and make his face to shine upon us.

Psalms 67:1

Restore us to yourself, O LORD, that we may be restored!
Renew our days as of old.

Lamentations 5:21

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!
Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

Psalms 143:10

O LORD, I have heard the report of you,
and your work, O LORD, do I fear.
In the midst of the years revive it;
in the midst of the years make it known;
in wrath remember mercy.

Habakkuk 3:2

May the God of hope fill you
with all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit
you may abound in hope.

Romans 15:13



Faith Affirmations

Blessed are the people who know the festal shout,
who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face.

Psalms 89:15

O LORD, you will ordain peace for us,
for you have indeed done for us all our works.
O LORD our God,
other lords besides you have ruled over us,
but your name alone we bring to remembrance.

Isaiah 26:12-13

You send forth your Spirit,
they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

Psalms 104:30

We do not lose heart.
Though our outer self is wasting away,
our inner self is being renewed day by day.

2 Corinthians 4:16

I know that through your prayers
and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ
this will turn out for my deliverance.

Philippians 1:19



II Promises that God Will Make Us His Possession

You shall be holy to me, for I the LORD am holy
and have separated you from the peoples,
that you should be mine.

Leviticus 20:26

I will make my dwelling among you,
and my soul shall not abhor you.
And I will walk among you and will be your God,
and you shall be my people.

Leviticus 26:11-12

You are a people holy to the LORD your God.
The LORD your God has chosen you
to be a people for his treasured possession,
out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.

Deuteronomy 7:6

For the LORD will not forsake his people,
for his great name's sake, because it has pleased the LORD
to make you a people for himself.

1 Samuel 12:22

You made your people Israel to be your people forever,
and you, O LORD, became their God.

1 Chronicles 17:21-22

I am your portion and your inheritance.

Numbers 18:20

Our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,
who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness
and to purify for himself a people for his own possession.

Titus 2:13-14



Prayers in Light of God's Complete Ownership of Us

Give attention to the sound of my cry, my King and my God,
for to you do I pray.

Psalms 5:2

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me,
from the words of my groaning?

Psalms 22:1

O my God, make haste to help me!

Psalms 71:12

O my God, be not far from me!

Psalms 38:21

On you was I cast from my birth,
and from my mother's womb you have been my God.

Psalms 22:10

O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.

Psalms 25:2

O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive.
O Lord, pay attention and act.
Delay not, for your own sake, O my God,
because your city and your people
are called by your name.

Daniel 9:19

I am yours; save me, for I have sought your precepts.

Psalms 119:94

My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge.

2 Samuel 22:3

I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."

Psalms 31:14

I will say to the LORD,
"My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.

Psalms 91:2

Save us, O LORD our God,
and gather us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name
and glory in your praise.

Psalms 106:47

Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight,
please show me now your ways,
that I may know you
in order to find favor in your sight.
Consider too that this nation is your people.

Exodus 33:13

For how shall it be known
that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people?
Is it not in your going with us,
so that we are distinct, I and your people,
from every other people on the face of the earth?

Exodus 33:16

For they are your people and your heritage,
whom you brought out by your great power
and by your outstretched arm.

Deuteronomy 9:29

Look down from your holy habitation, from heaven,
and bless your people.

Deuteronomy 26:15

Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?

Psalms 85:6

Are you not from everlasting, O LORD my God, my Holy One?

Habakkuk 1:12

There is none holy like the LORD:
for there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God.

1 Samuel 2:2



Faith Affirmations

But as for me, I will look to the LORD;
I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me.

Micah 7:7

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Psalms 90:1

For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?

Psalms 18:31

My God in his steadfast love will meet me.

Psalms 59:10

The God to whom I belong and whom I worship.

Acts 27:23

I will not enter my house or get into my bed,
I will not give sleep to my eyes or slumber to my eyelids,
until I find a place for the LORD,
a dwelling place for the Mighty One of Jacob.

Psalms 132:3-5

Salvation belongs to the LORD;
your blessing be on your people!

Psalms 3:8

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you.

Psalms 118:28

This is my God, and I will praise him,
my father's God, and I will exalt him.

Exodus 15:2

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture,
will give thanks to you forever;
from generation to generation
we will recount your praise.

Psalms 79:13

12 Promises that God Will Be “With Us”

The meaning of the promise “God with us”:

The LORD was with Joseph,
and he became a successful man,
and he was in the house of his Egyptian master.
His master saw that the LORD was with him
and that the LORD caused all that he did
to succeed in his hands.

Genesis 39:2-3

But the LORD was with Joseph
and showed him steadfast love
and gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

Genesis 39:21

The keeper of the prison
paid no attention to anything that was in Joseph's charge,
because the LORD was with him.
And whatever he did, the LORD made it succeed.

Genesis 39:23

No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life.
Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you.
I will not leave you or forsake you.

Joshua 1:5

So the LORD was with Joshua, and his fame was in all the land.

Joshua 6:27

And the angel of the LORD appeared to him and said to him,
"The LORD is with you, O mighty man of valor."

Judges 6:12

And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him
and let none of his words fall to the ground.

1 Samuel 3:19

Saul was afraid of David because the LORD was with him
but had departed from Saul.

1 Samuel 18:12

And David had success in all his undertakings,
for the LORD was with him.

1 Samuel 18:14

And David became greater and greater,
for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.

2 Samuel 5:10

And Nathan said to the king,
"Go, do all that is in your heart, for the LORD is with you."

2 Samuel 7:3

And the LORD was with him; wherever he went out, he prospered.

2 Kings 18:7

And David became greater and greater,
for the LORD of hosts was with him.

1 Chronicles 11:9

The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers.
May he not leave us or forsake us,
that he may incline our hearts to him, to walk in all his ways
and to keep his commandments, his statutes, and his rules,
which he commanded our fathers.

1 Kings 8:57-58

I have been with you wherever you have gone
and have cut off all your enemies from before you.
And I will make for you a name,
like the name of the great ones of the earth.

1 Chronicles 17:8

Now, my son, the LORD be with you, so that you may succeed
in building the house of the LORD your God,
as he has spoken concerning you.

1 Chronicles 22:11

Then David said to Solomon his son,
“Be strong and courageous and do it.
Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed,
for the LORD God, even my God, is with you.
He will not leave you or forsake you, until all the work
for the service of the house of the LORD is finished.”

1 Chronicles 28:20

Solomon the son of David
established himself in his kingdom,
and the LORD his God was with him
and made him exceedingly great.

2 Chronicles 1:1

Be strong, all you people of the land, declares the LORD.
Work, for I am with you, declares the LORD of hosts.

Haggai 2:4

And the patriarchs, jealous of Joseph, sold him into Egypt;
but God was with him
and rescued him out of all his afflictions
and gave him favor and wisdom before Pharaoh, king of Egypt,
who made him ruler over Egypt and over all his household.

Acts 7:9-10

God anointed Jesus of Nazareth
with the Holy Spirit and with power.
He went about doing good
and healing all who were oppressed by the devil,
for God was with him.

Acts 10:38



Promises that God Will Be “With Us”

Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go,
and will bring you back to this land.
For I will not leave you
until I have done what I have promised you.

Genesis 28:15

Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth
and teach you what you shall speak.

Exodus 4:12

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.
Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed,
for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9

The LORD is with you while you are with him.
If you seek him, he will be found by you,
but if you forsake him, he will forsake you.

2 Chronicles 15:2

God is with the generation of the righteous.

Psalms 14:5

The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Psalms 46:7

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
I will say to the LORD,
“My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”

Psalms 91:1-2

If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!
If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me.

Psalms 139:8-10

Fear not, for I am with you;
be not dismayed, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

Isaiah 43:2

Because you are precious in my eyes,
and honored, and I love you,
I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life.
Fear not, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you.
I will say to the north, Give up,
and to the south, Do not withhold;
bring my sons from afar
and my daughters from the end of the earth,
everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.

Isaiah 43:4-7

Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 1:8

They will fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you,
for I am with you, declares the LORD, to deliver you.

Jeremiah 1:19

Do not fear him, declares the LORD, for I am with you,
to save you and to deliver you from his hand.
I will grant you mercy, that he may have mercy on you.

Jeremiah 42:11-12

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.
And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:19-20

Do not be afraid, but go on speaking and do not be silent,
for I am with you, and no one will attack you to harm you,
for I have many in this city who are my people.

Acts 18:9-10

What you have learned
and received and heard and seen in me –
practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:9



Prayers Seeking Success and God's Presence

For how shall it be known
that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people?
Is it not in your going with us,
so that we are distinct, I and your people,
from every other people on the face of the earth?

Exodus 33:16

O LORD, we pray, give us success!

Psalms 118:25

If your presence will not go with me,
do not bring us up from here.

Exodus 33:15

The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers.
May he not leave us or forsake us.

1 Kings 8:57

To this end we always pray for you,
that our God may make you worthy of his calling
and may fulfill every resolve for good
and every work of faith by his power,
so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you,
and you in him,
according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.
2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

Let me dwell in your tent forever!
Let me take refuge under the shelter of your wings!
Psalms 61:4

Be to me a rock of refuge,
to which I may continually come;
you have given the command to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.
Psalms 71:3

The LORD your God be with you!
2 Samuel 14:17

Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border,
and that your hand might be with me.
1 Chronicles 4:10

May the God of peace be with you all. Amen.
Romans 15:33

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
2 Corinthians 13:14

Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us, from God the Father
and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son, in truth and love.
2 John 1:3

Faith Affirmations

Take counsel together, but it will come to nothing;
speak a word, but it will not stand, for God is with us.
Isaiah 8:10

I awake, and I am still with you.

Psalms 139:18

Behold, God is with us at our head.

2 Chronicles 13:12

Nevertheless, I am continually with you;
you hold my right hand.
You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will receive me to glory.
Whom have I in heaven but you?
And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.
My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Psalms 73:23-26

You are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Psalms 23:4

God is with the generation of the righteous.

Psalms 14:5

Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.
He will dwell with them, and they will be his people,
and God himself will be with them as their God.

Revelation 21:3

13 Promises that God Will Draw Near

And they shall know that I am the LORD their God,
who brought them out of the land of Egypt
that I might dwell among them. I am the LORD their God.

Exodus 29:46

My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.

Exodus 33:14

For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it
as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him?

Deuteronomy 4:7

I will dwell among the children of Israel
and will not forsake my people Israel.

1 Kings 6:13

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

Psalms 91:1

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

Isaiah 57:15

I will make him draw near, and he shall approach me,
for who would dare of himself to approach me? declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 30:21

Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

James 4:8



Prayers Seeking God's Nearness

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from saving me,
from the words of my groaning?
O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer,
and by night, but I find no rest.

Psalms 22:1-2

Be not far from me,
for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

Psalms 22:11

Do not forsake me, O LORD! O my God, be not far from me!

Psalms 38:21

Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us,
and we are called by your name; do not leave us.

Jeremiah 14:9

But I, O LORD, cry to you;
in the morning my prayer comes before you.
O LORD, why do you cast my soul away?
Why do you hide your face from me?

Psalms 88:13-14



Faith Affirmations

But for me it is good to be near God;
I have made the Lord GOD my refuge,
that I may tell of all your works.

Psalms 73:28

Blessed is the one you choose
and bring near, to dwell in your courts!
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,
the holiness of your temple!

Psalms 65:4

For a day in your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Psalms 84:10

You are near, O LORD,
and all your commandments are true.

Psalms 119:151

We give thanks to you, O God;
we give thanks, for your name is near.
We recount your wondrous deeds.

Psalms 75:1

I am continually with you;
you hold my right hand.
You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will receive me to glory.

Psalms 73:23-24



In every place where I cause my name to be remembered
I will come to you and bless you.

Exodus 20:24

Those who honor me I will honor.

1 Samuel 2:30

And the surviving remnant of the house of Judah
shall again take root downward and bear fruit upward.

2 Kings 19:30

Though your beginning was small,
your latter days will be very great.

Job 8:7

But he knows the way that I take;
when he has tried me, I shall come out as gold.

Job 23:10

He does not withdraw his eyes from the righteous,
but with kings on the throne he sets them forever,
and they are exalted.

Job 36:7

He is like a tree planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

Psalms 1:3

For you bless the righteous, O LORD;
you cover him with favor as with a shield.
How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
The children of mankind
take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light do we see light.

Psalms 36:7-9

Wait for the LORD and keep his way,
and he will exalt you to inherit the land;
you will look on when the wicked are cut off.

Psalms 37:34

You will increase my greatness and comfort me again.

Psalms 71:21

You will arise and have pity on Zion;
it is the time to favor her;
the appointed time has come.

Psalms 102:13

But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,
which shines brighter and brighter until full day.

Proverbs 4:18

I have put my words in your mouth
and covered you in the shadow of my hand,
establishing the heavens
and laying the foundations of the earth,
and saying to Zion, 'You are my people.'

Isaiah 51:16

Foreigners shall build up your walls,
and their kings shall minister to you;
for in my wrath I struck you,
but in my favor I have had mercy on you.

Isaiah 60:10

So that he who blesses himself in the land
shall bless himself by the God of truth,
and he who takes an oath in the land
shall swear by the God of truth;
because the former troubles are forgotten
and are hidden from my eyes.

Isaiah 65:16

This is the one to whom I will look:
he who is humble and contrite in spirit
and trembles at my word.

Isaiah 66:2

Abide in me, and I in you.
As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself,
unless it abides in the vine,
neither can you, unless you abide in me.
I am the vine; you are the branches.
Whoever abides in me and I in him,
he it is that bears much fruit,
for apart from me you can do nothing.

John 15:4-5

Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Colossians 1:27



Prayers Seeking God's Favor

Do good to Zion in your good pleasure;
build up the walls of Jerusalem.

Psalms 51:18

Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border,
and that your hand might be with me,
and that you would keep me from harm
so that it might not bring me pain!

1 Chronicles 4:10

Do good, O LORD, to those who are good,
and to those who are upright in their hearts!

Psalms 125:4

Show me a sign of your favor,
that those who hate me may see and be put to shame
because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Psalms 86:17

Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight,
please show me now your ways,
that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight.
Consider too that this nation is your people.

Exodus 33:13

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and establish the work of our hands upon us;
yes, establish the work of our hands!

Psalms 90:17



Faith Affirmations

To this day I have had the help that comes from God.

Acts 26:22

But by the grace of God I am what I am,
and his grace toward me was not in vain.
On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them,
though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

1 Corinthians 15:10

You gave a wide place for my steps under me,
and my feet did not slip.

2 Samuel 22:37

For does not my house stand so with God?
For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,
ordered in all things and secure.
For will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire?

2 Samuel 23:5

When the Almighty was yet with me,
when my children were all around me,
when my steps were washed with butter,
and the rock poured out for me streams of oil!

Job 29:5-6

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

Psalms 16:6

For you bless the righteous, O LORD;
you cover him with favor as with a shield.

Psalms 5:12

By your favor our horn is exalted.

Psalms 89:17



I am the LORD your God,
 who brought you out of the land of Egypt,
 that you should not be their slaves.
 And I have broken the bars of your yoke and made you walk erect.
Leviticus 26:13

For the LORD your God is gracious and merciful
 and will not turn away his face from you, if you return to him.
2 Chronicles 30:9

He sent from on high, he took me;
 he drew me out of many waters.
 He rescued me from my strong enemy
 and from those who hated me,
 for they were too mighty for me.
 They confronted me in the day of my calamity,
 but the LORD was my support.
Psalms 18:16-18

Blessed be the LORD,
 for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me
 when I was in a besieged city.
Psalms 31:21

For the LORD hears the needy
 and does not despise his own people who are prisoners.
Psalms 69:33

“Because of the iniquity of his unjust gain
 I was angry, I struck him;
 I hid my face and was angry,
 but he went on backsliding in the way of his own heart.
 I have seen his ways, but I will heal him;
 I will lead him and restore comfort to him and his mourners,
 creating the fruit of the lips.
 Peace, peace, to the far and to the near,” says the LORD,
 “and I will heal him.”
Isaiah 57:17-19

Return, faithless Israel, declares the LORD.
I will not look on you in anger,
for I am merciful, declares the LORD;
I will not be angry forever.

Jeremiah 3:12

Return, O faithless sons;
I will heal your faithlessness.

Jeremiah 3:22

With weeping they shall come,
and with pleas for mercy
I will lead them back,
I will make them walk by brooks of water,
in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,
for I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Jeremiah 31:9

For thus says the Lord GOD:
I will deal with you as you have done,
you who have despised the oath in breaking the covenant,
yet I will remember my covenant with you
in the days of your youth,
and I will establish for you an everlasting covenant.

Ezekiel 16:59-60

They shall not defile themselves anymore with their idols
and their detestable things,
or with any of their transgressions.
But I will save them from all the backslidings
in which they have sinned,
and will cleanse them;
and they shall be my people,
and I will be their God.

Ezekiel 37:23

I will heal their apostasy;
I will love them freely,
for my anger has turned from them.

Hosea 14:4

I will strengthen the house of Judah,
and I will save the house of Joseph.
I will bring them back
because I have compassion on them,
and they shall be as though I had not rejected them,
for I am the LORD their God and I will answer them.
Then Ephraim shall become like a mighty warrior,
and their hearts shall be glad as with wine.
Their children shall see it and be glad;
their hearts shall rejoice in the LORD.

Zechariah 10:6-7

I will consume your uncleanness out of you.

Ezekiel 22:15

I will sprinkle clean water on you,
and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses,
and from all your idols I will cleanse you.
And I will give you a new heart,
and a new spirit I will put within you.
And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh
and give you a heart of flesh.
And I will put my Spirit within you,
and cause you to walk in my statutes
and be careful to obey my rules.

Ezekiel 36:25-27

My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth
and someone brings him back, let him know
that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering
will save his soul from death
and will cover a multitude of sins.

James 5:19-20



Prayers for Sanctifying Grace

Teach me your way, O LORD,
that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.

Psalms 86:11

Turn to me and be gracious to me,
as is your way with those who love your name.
Keep steady my steps according to your promise,
and let no iniquity get dominion over me.

Psalms 119:132-133

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!
Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

Psalms 143:10

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalms 51:10

Lord, if you will, you can make me clean.

Matthew 8:2

Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth;
keep watch over the door of my lips!
Do not let my heart incline to any evil,
to busy myself with wicked deeds
in company with men who work iniquity,
and let me not eat of their delicacies!

Psalms 141:3-4

Let not those who hope in you be put to shame through me,
O Lord GOD of hosts;
let not those who seek you be brought to dishonor through me,
O God of Israel.

Psalms 69:6

Deal bountifully with your servant,
that I may live and keep your word.

Psalms 119:17

Give me life according to your word!

Psalms 119:25

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes;
and I will keep it to the end.
Give me understanding, that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.

Psalms 119:33-34

Let your mercy come to me, that I may live;
for your law is my delight.

Psalms 119:77

Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me,
that they may be one, even as we are one.
That they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

John 17:11,13

Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

John 17:17

I do not ask for these only,
but also for those who will believe in me through their word,
that they may all be one,
just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you,
that they also may be in us,
so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

John 17:20-21

I in them and you in me,
that they may become perfectly one,
so that the world may know that you sent me
and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:23

That your love may abound more and more,
with knowledge and all discernment,
so that you may approve what is excellent,
and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ,
filled with the fruit of righteousness
that comes through Jesus Christ,
to the glory and praise of God.

Philippians 1:9-11

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus,
direct our way to you, and may the Lord make you increase
and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you,
so that he may establish your hearts
blameless in holiness before our God and Father,
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

1 Thessalonians 3:11-13

That you may be filled
with the knowledge of his will
in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,
so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord,
fully pleasing to him,
bearing fruit in every good work
and increasing in the knowledge of God.
May you be strengthened with all power,
according to his glorious might,
for all endurance and patience with joy,
giving thanks to the Father,
who has qualified you
to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Colossians 1:9-12

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely,
and may your whole spirit and soul and body
be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:23

Put false ways far from me and graciously teach me your law!

Psalms 119:29

Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

Psalms 139:23-24

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Psalms 19:14



Faith Affirmations

I hate the work of those who fall away; it shall not
cling to me.

Psalms 101:3

A perverse heart shall be far from me;
I will know nothing of evil.

Psalms 101:4

I said, "I will guard my ways,
that I may not sin with my tongue;
I will guard my mouth with a muzzle,
so long as the wicked are in my presence."

Psalms 39:1

I will ponder the way that is blameless.
Oh when will you come to me?
I will walk with integrity of heart within my house.

Psalms 101:2

I have stored up your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against you.

Psalms 119:11

I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.

Psalms 51:13

16 Promises to Give His People Strength

For the eyes of the LORD
run to and fro throughout the whole earth,
to give strong support
to those whose heart is blameless toward him.

2 Chronicles 16:9

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;
he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Psalms 55:22

Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel –
he is the one who gives power and strength to his people.
Blessed be God!

Psalms 68:35

Then we shall not turn back from you;
give us life, and we will call upon your name!

Psalms 80:18

The LORD is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.

Psalms 118:14

On the day I called, you answered me;
my strength of soul you increased.

Psalms 138:3

In that day the LORD of hosts will be a crown of glory,
and a diadem of beauty, to the remnant of his people,
and a spirit of justice to him who sits in judgment,
and strength to those who turn back the battle at the gate.

Isaiah 28:5-6

For I will satisfy the weary soul,
and every languishing soul I will replenish.

Jeremiah 31:25

Not by might, nor by power,
but by my Spirit, says the LORD of hosts.

Zechariah 4:6

I will make them strong in the LORD,
and they shall walk in his name, declares the LORD.

Zechariah 10:12

No, in all these things
we are more than conquerors
through him who loved us.

Romans 8:37

He will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

Romans 14:4

Now to him who is able to strengthen you
according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ.

Romans 16:25

We have this treasure in jars of clay,
to show that the surpassing power
belongs to God and not to us.

2 Corinthians 4:7

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 of my weaknesses,
so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

2 Corinthians 12:9

Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling,
for it is God who works in you,
both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Philippians 2:12-13

For this I toil, struggling with all his energy
that he powerfully works within me.

Colossians 1:29

I have filled him with the Spirit of God,
with ability and intelligence,
with knowledge and all craftsmanship.

Exodus 31:3

But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me,
so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed
and all the Gentiles might hear it.

2 Timothy 4:17

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling
and to present you blameless
before the presence of his glory with great joy.

Jude 1:24

For the LORD will vindicate his people
and have compassion on his servants,
when he sees that their power is gone
and there is none remaining, bond or free.

Deuteronomy 32:36

It may be that the LORD will work for us,
for nothing can hinder the LORD
from saving by many or by few.

1 Samuel 14:6

He rescued me from my strong enemy,
from those who hated me,
for they were too mighty for me.
They confronted me in the day of my calamity,
but the LORD was my support.

2 Samuel 22:18-19

But you do see, for you note mischief and vexation,
that you may take it into your hands;
to you the helpless commits himself;
you have been the helper of the fatherless.

Psalms 10:14

For he knows our frame; he remembers that we are dust.

Psalms 103:14

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
He gives power to the faint,
and to him who has no might he increases strength.
Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;
but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:28-31

He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

Psalms 111:6



Prayers for Strength

Hear my cry, O God, listen to my prayer;
from the end of the earth I call to you when my heart is faint.
Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

Psalms 61:1-2

Turn to me and be gracious to me;
give your strength to your servant,
and save the son of your maidservant.

Psalms 86:16

My soul melts away for sorrow;
strengthen me according to your word!

Psalms 119:28

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Psalms 51:12

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

Psalms 51:15

Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain!
Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things;
and give me life in your ways.

Psalms 119:36-37

And now, Lord, look upon their threats
and grant to your servants
to continue to speak your word with all boldness,
while you stretch out your hand to heal,
and signs and wonders are performed
through the name of your holy servant Jesus.

Acts 4:29-30



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I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

Psalms 119:128

Whom have I in heaven but you?
And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.
My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

Psalms 73:25-26

If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.

2 Corinthians 11:30

For the sake of Christ, then,
I am content with weaknesses, insults,
hardships, persecutions, and calamities.
For when I am weak, then I am strong.

2 Corinthians 12:10

I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

But I will sing of your strength;
I will sing aloud
of your steadfast love in the morning.
For you have been to me a fortress
and a refuge in the day of my distress.

Psalms 59:16

O my Strength, I will sing praises to you,
for you, O God, are my fortress,
the God who shows me steadfast love.

Psalms 59:17

17 Promises to Give Light in the Darkness

He uncovers the deeps out of darkness
and brings deep darkness to light.

Job 12:22

For it is you who light my lamp;
the LORD my God lightens my darkness.

Psalms 18:28

He brought them out of darkness
and the shadow of death,
and burst their bonds apart.

Psalms 107:14

Light dawns in the darkness for the upright;
he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.

Psalms 112:4

If you pour yourself out for the hungry
and satisfy the desire of the afflicted,
then shall your light rise in the darkness
and your gloom be as the noonday.

Isaiah 58:10

The tender mercy of our God,
whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high
to give light to those
who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1:78-79

I have come into the world as light,
so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.

John 12:46

He will yet fill your mouth with laughter,
and your lips with shouting.

Job 8:21

God my Maker, who gives songs in the night.

Job 35:10

For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol...
You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Psalms 16:10-11

The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is pure,
enlightening the eyes.

Psalms 19:8

For his anger is but for a moment,
and his favor is for a lifetime.
Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Psalms 30:5

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness.

Psalms 30:11

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

Psalms 40:3

You make the going out of the morning and the evening
to shout for joy.

Psalms 65:8

Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Psalms 97:11

Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion;
instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot;
therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion;
they shall have everlasting joy.

Isaiah 61:7

For the LORD has ransomed Jacob
and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.
They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion,
and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD...
their life shall be like a watered garden,
and they shall languish no more.

Jeremiah 31:12

Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance,
and the young men and the old shall be merry.
I will turn their mourning into joy;
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.
I will feast the soul of the priests with abundance,
and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness,
declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 31:13-14

If you keep my commandments,
you will abide in my love,
just as I have kept my Father's commandments
and abide in his love.
These things I have spoken to you,
that my joy may be in you,
and that your joy may be full.

John 15:10-11



Prayers When in Darkness

Consider and answer me, O LORD my God;
light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death.

Psalms 13:3

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not hear?

Habakkuk 1:2

Why, O LORD, do you stand far away?
Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble?

Psalms 10:1

How long, O LORD?
Will you forget me forever?
How long will you hide your face from me?
How long must I take counsel in my soul
and have sorrow in my heart all the day?
How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

Psalms 13:1-2

Let the groans of the prisoners come before you;
according to your great power,
preserve those doomed to die!

Psalms 79:11

If I sin, what do I do to you, you watcher of mankind?
Why have you made me your mark?
Why have I become a burden to you?
Why do you not pardon my transgression
and take away my iniquity?

Job 7:20-21

Do not condemn me;
let me know why you contend against me.
Does it seem good to you to oppress,
to despise the work of your hands
and favor the designs of the wicked?

Job 10:2-3

Are not my days few?
Then cease, and leave me alone,
that I may find a little cheer.

Job 10:20

Only grant me two things,
then I will not hide myself from your face:
withdraw your hand far from me,
and let not dread of you terrify me.
Then call, and I will answer;
or let me speak, and you reply to me.
How many are my iniquities and my sins?
Make me know my transgression and my sin.
Why do you hide your face
and count me as your enemy?
Will you frighten a driven leaf and pursue dry chaff?
For you write bitter things against me
and make me inherit the iniquities of my youth.

Job 13:20-26

Oh, that I knew where I might find him,
that I might come even to his seat!
I would lay my case before him
and fill my mouth with arguments.

Job 23:3-4

I cry to you for help and you do not answer me;
I stand, and you only look at me.
You have turned cruel to me;
with the might of your hand you persecute me.

Job 30:20-21

Why have you dealt ill with your servant?
And why have I not found favor in your sight,
that you lay the burden of all this people on me?
Did I conceive all this people?
Did I give them birth, that you should say to me,
'Carry them in your bosom,
as a nurse carries a nursing child,'
to the land that you swore to give their fathers?

Numbers 11:11-12

I am not able to carry all this people alone;
the burden is too heavy for me.
If you will treat me like this, kill me at once,
if I find favor in your sight,
that I may not see my wretchedness.

Numbers 11:14-15

All our pleasant places have become ruins.
Will you restrain yourself at these things, O LORD?
Will you keep silent, and afflict us so terribly?

Isaiah 64:11-12

Why does the way of the wicked prosper?
Why do all who are treacherous thrive?

Jeremiah 12:1

Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail?

Jeremiah 15:18

Oh that you would hide me in Sheol,
that you would conceal me until your wrath be past,
that you would appoint me a set time, and remember me!

Job 14:13

We have transgressed and rebelled,
and you have not forgiven.
You have wrapped yourself with anger
and pursued us, killing without pity;
you have wrapped yourself with a cloud
so that no prayer can pass through.
You have made us scum and garbage among the peoples.

Lamentations 3:42-45

Why do you forget us forever,
why do you forsake us for so many days?

Lamentations 5:21

Why do you idly look at traitors and remain silent
when the wicked swallows up
the man more righteous than he?

Habakkuk 1:13



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Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God;
for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

Psalms 42:5

I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy.

Psalms 43:4

For you are my lamp, O LORD,
and my God lightens my darkness.

2 Samuel 22:29

Rejoice not over me, O my enemy;
when I fall, I shall rise;
when I sit in darkness, the LORD will be a light to me.
I will bear the indignation of the LORD
because I have sinned against him,
until he pleads my cause and executes judgment for me.
He will bring me out to the light;
I shall look upon his vindication.

Micah 7:8-9

My soul will rejoice in the LORD, exulting in his salvation.
All my bones shall say, "O LORD, who is like you,
delivering the poor from him who is too strong for him,
the poor and needy from him who robs him?"

Psalms 35:9-10

Behold, I go forward, but he is not there,
and backward, but I do not perceive him;
on the left hand when he is working, I do not behold him;
he turns to the right hand, but I do not see him.
But he knows the way that I take;
when he has tried me, I shall come out as gold.

Job 23:8-10

Though he slay me, I will hope in him.

Job 13:15

For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence,
for my hope is from him.

Psalms 62:5

18 Promises to Those Who are Afflicted

He delivers the afflicted by their affliction
and opens their ear by adversity.

He also allured you out of distress into a broad place
where there was no cramping,
and what was set on your table was full of fatness.

Job 36:15-16

He does not forget the cry of the afflicted.

Psalms 9:12

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted
and saves the crushed in spirit.
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

Psalms 34:18-19

The LORD has founded Zion,
and in her the afflicted of his people find refuge.

Isaiah 14:32

The LORD binds up the brokenness of his people,
and heals the wounds inflicted by his blow.

Isaiah 30:26

You shall have a song and gladness of heart.

Isaiah 30:29

For the Lord will not cast off forever,
but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
for he does not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men.

Lamentations 3:31-33

Though I have afflicted you, I will afflict you no more.

Nahum 1:12

Every branch that does bear fruit he prunes,
that it may bear more fruit.

John 15:2

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away,
our inner self is being renewed day by day.
For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us
an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison.

2 Corinthians 4:16-17

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant,
but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness
to those who have been trained by it.

Hebrews 12:11

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial,
for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life,
which God has promised to those who love him.

James 1:12

After you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace,
who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ,
will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.

1 Peter 5:10

The salvation of the righteous is from the LORD;
he is their stronghold in the time of trouble.

Psalms 37:39

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea.

Psalms 46:1-2

You let men ride over our heads;
we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.

Psalms 66:12

In the world you will have tribulation.
But take heart; I have overcome the world.

John 16:33

Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
As they go through the Valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.
They go from strength to strength;
each one appears before God in Zion.

Psalms 84:5-7

He delivered us from such a deadly peril,
and he will deliver us.

On him we have set our hope that he will deliver us again.

2 Corinthians 1:10



Prayers When Troubled and Afflicted

Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up your hand; forget not the afflicted.

Psalms 10:12

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing;
heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled.

Psalms 6:2

Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help.

Psalms 22:11

But you, O LORD, do not be far off!
O you my help, come quickly to my aid!

Psalms 22:19

Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted.
The troubles of my heart are enlarged;
bring me out of my distresses.

Psalms 25:17

Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress;
my eye is wasted from grief; my soul and my body also.

Psalms 31:9

O Lord, all my longing is before you;
my sighing is not hidden from you.

Psalms 38:9

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;
hold not your peace at my tears!

Psalms 39:12

But I am afflicted and in pain;
let your salvation, O God, set me on high!

Psalms 69:29

O LORD, God of my salvation; I cry out day and night before you.
Let my prayer come before you; incline your ear to my cry!
For my soul is full of troubles.

Psalms 88:1-3

Your wrath lies heavy upon me,
and you overwhelm me with all your waves.
You have caused my companions to shun me;
you have made me a horror to them.
I am shut in so that I cannot escape.

Psalms 88:7-8

But I, O LORD, cry to you;
in the morning my prayer comes before you.
O LORD, why do you cast my soul away?
Why do you hide your face from me?

Psalms 88:13-14

Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants!
Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,
and for as many years as we have seen evil.

Psalms 90:13-15

I am severely afflicted;
give me life, O LORD, according to your word!

Psalms 119:107

Look on my affliction and deliver me.

Psalms 119:153

For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!
In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!

Psalms 143:11

My eyes are weary with looking upward.
O Lord, I am oppressed; be my pledge of safety!

Isaiah 38:14

O Lord, by these things men live,
and in all these is the life of my spirit.
Oh restore me to health and make me live!
Behold, it was for my welfare that I had great bitterness;
but in love you have delivered my life
from the pit of destruction,
for you have cast all my sins behind your back.

Isaiah 38:16-17

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived;
you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all the day;
everyone mocks me.
For whenever I speak, I cry out,
I shout, "Violence and destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.

Jeremiah 20:7-8

Remember my affliction and my wanderings,
the wormwood and the gall!

Lamentations 3:19

I called on your name, O LORD,
from the depths of the pit;
you heard my plea,
'Do not close your ear to my cry for help!'
You came near when I called on you;
you said, 'Do not fear!'

Lamentations 3:55-57

O LORD, make me know my end
and what is the measure of my days;
let me know how fleeting I am!

Psalms 39:4



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You have delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

Psalms 116:8

O LORD, you hear the desire of the afflicted;
you will strengthen their heart; you will incline your ear.

Psalms 10:17

In the day of my trouble I seek the Lord.

Psalms 77:2

You brought us into the net;
you laid a crushing burden on our backs;
you let men ride over our heads;
we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a place of abundance.

Psalms 66:11-12

Naked I came from my mother's womb,
and naked shall I return.
The LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away;
blessed be the name of the LORD.

Job 1:21

For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.
He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress;
I shall not be greatly shaken.

Psalms 62:1-2

I know, O LORD, that your rules are righteous,
and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.

Psalms 119:75

I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love,
because you have seen my affliction;
you have known the distress of my soul.

Psalms 31:7

Though the fig tree should not blossom,
nor fruit be on the vines,
the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food,
the flock be cut off from the fold
and there be no herd in the stalls,
yet I will rejoice in the LORD;
I will take joy in the God of my salvation.

Habakkuk 3:17-18

19 Promises to Those Who are Anxious and Afraid

Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.
Genesis 15:1

Do not be afraid,
for those who are with us
are more than those who are with them.

2 Kings 6:16

And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.
He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people
he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

Isaiah 25:7-8

But fear not, O Jacob my servant, nor be dismayed, O Israel,
for behold, I will save you from far away,
and your offspring from the land of their captivity.
Jacob shall return and have quiet and ease,
and none shall make him afraid.
Fear not, O Jacob my servant, declares the LORD,
for I am with you.

Jeremiah 46:27-28

You came near when I called on you; you said, 'Do not fear!'

Lamentations 3:57

O house of Judah and house of Israel,
so will I save you, and you shall be a blessing.
Fear not, but let your hands be strong.

Zechariah 8:13

To grant us that we,
being delivered from the hand of our enemies,
might serve him without fear.

Luke 1:73-74

There is no fear in love,
but perfect love casts out fear.
For fear has to do with punishment,
and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.
We love because he first loved us.

1 John 4:18-19

If you walk in my statutes
and observe my commandments and do them,
then you shall eat your bread to the full
and dwell in your land securely.
I will give peace in the land,
and you shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid.

Leviticus 26:3, 5-6

Great peace have those who love your law;
nothing can make them stumble.

Psalms 119:165

You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you,
because he trusts in you.

Isaiah 26:3

And the effect of righteousness will be peace,
and the result of righteousness,
quietness and trust forever.

Isaiah 32:17

I will make your overseers peace
and your taskmasters righteousness.

Isaiah 60:17



Prayers for Peace

My soul is bereft of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is.

Lamentations 3:17

Turn away the reproach that I dread.

Psalms 119:39

Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.

Isaiah 12:2

May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Psalms 29:11

O LORD, you will ordain peace for us.

Isaiah 26:12

Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace,
according to your word.

Luke 2:29

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely,
and may your whole spirit and soul and body
be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:23

Now may the Lord of peace himself
give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Now may the God of peace
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
equip you with everything good that you may do his will,
working in us that which is pleasing in his sight,
through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 13:20-21

May grace and peace be multiplied to you
in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

2 Peter 1:2



Faith Affirmations

Upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.

Isaiah 53:5

In peace I will both lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Psalms 4:8

I will not be afraid of many thousands of people
who have set themselves against me all around.

Psalms 3:6

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalms 27:1

My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast!
I will sing and make melody!

Psalms 57:7

I have set the LORD always before me;
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Psalms 16:8

The LORD is on my side; I will not fear.
What can man do to me?

Psalms 118:6

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

Psalms 56:3

In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust;
I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?

Psalms 56:4

But I have calmed and quieted my soul,
like a weaned child with its mother;
like a weaned child is my soul within me.

Psalms 131:2

Even though I walk
through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Psalms 23:4

Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.

Isaiah 12:2

We can confidently say,
“The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear; what can man do to me?”

Hebrews 13:6

20 Promises Regarding Wisdom

My son, if you receive my words
and treasure up my commandments with you,
making your ear attentive to wisdom
and inclining your heart to understanding;
yes, if you call out for insight
and raise your voice for understanding,
if you seek it like silver
and search for it as for hidden treasures,
then you will understand the fear of the LORD
and find the knowledge of God.
For the LORD gives wisdom;
from his mouth come knowledge and understanding;
he stores up sound wisdom for the upright;
he is a shield to those who walk in integrity.

Proverbs 2:1-7

Long life is in her right hand;
in her left hand are riches and honor.
Her ways are ways of pleasantness,
and all her paths are peace.
She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her;
those who hold her fast are called blessed.

Proverbs 3:16-18

Prize her highly, and she will exalt you;
she will honor you if you embrace her.
She will place on your head a graceful garland;
she will bestow on you a beautiful crown.

Proverbs 4:8-9

By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just;
by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly.
I love those who love me,
and those who seek me diligently find me.

Proverbs 8:15-17

Blessed is the one who listens to me,
watching daily at my gates, waiting beside my doors.
For whoever finds me
finds life and obtains favor from the LORD.

Proverbs 8:34-35

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,
and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.
For by me your days will be multiplied,
and years will be added to your life.

Proverbs 9:10-11

By wisdom a house is built,
and by understanding it is established; by knowledge
the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches.

Proverbs 24:3-4

A wise man is full of strength,
and a man of knowledge enhances his might,
for by wise guidance you can wage your war,
and in abundance of counselors there is victory.

Proverbs 24:5-6

For the protection of wisdom
is like the protection of money,
and the advantage of knowledge
is that wisdom preserves the life of him who has it.

Ecclesiastes 7:12

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.
Morning by morning he awakens;
he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.

Isaiah 50:4

I will give you shepherds after my own heart,
who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.

Jeremiah 3:15

When they deliver you over,
do not be anxious how you are to speak
or what you are to say,
for what you are to say
will be given to you in that hour.
For it is not you who speak,
but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

Matthew 10:19-20

I will give you a mouth and wisdom,
which none of your adversaries
will be able to withstand or contradict.

Luke 21:15

Christ in whom are hidden
all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Colossians 2:3

If any of you lacks wisdom,
let him ask God,
who gives generously to all without reproach,
and it will be given him.

James 1:5



Praying for Wisdom

Give your servant therefore
an understanding mind to govern your people,
that I may discern between good and evil,
for who is able to govern this your great people?

1 Kings 3:9

Teach us to number our days
that we may get a heart of wisdom.

Psalms 90:12

Teach me good judgment and knowledge,
for I believe in your commandments.

Psalms 119:66

Your hands have made and fashioned me;
give me understanding that I may learn your commandments.

Psalms 119:73

Give me understanding that I may live.

Psalms 119:144

Let my cry come before you, O LORD;
give me understanding according to your word!

Psalms 119:169

Make me know the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.

Psalms 143:8



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My mouth shall speak wisdom;
the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

Psalms 49:3

Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom,
and to turn away from evil is understanding.

Job 28:28

21 Promises to Give Guidance

You have led in your steadfast love
the people whom you have redeemed;
you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

Exodus 15:13

Who went before you in the way
to seek you out a place to pitch your tents,
in fire by night and in the cloud by day,
to show you by what way you should go.

Deuteronomy 1:33

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

Psalms 32:8

This is God, our God forever and ever.
He will guide us forever.

Psalms 48:14

Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Commit your work to the LORD,
and your plans will be established.

Proverbs 16:3

The heart of man plans his way,
but the LORD establishes his steps.

Proverbs 16:9

I will lead the blind in a way that they do not know,
in paths that they have not known I will guide them.
I will turn the darkness before them into light,
the rough places into level ground.
These are the things I do, and I do not forsake them.

Isaiah 42:16

Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:
“I am the LORD your God, who teaches you to profit,
who leads you in the way you should go.”

Isaiah 48:17



Praying for Guidance

Open my eyes,
that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.

Psalms 119:18

Lord, let our eyes be opened.

Matthew 20:33

Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight,
please show me now your ways,
that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight.

Exodus 33:13

Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;
let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!

Psalms 43:3

Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness
because of my enemies;
make your way straight before me.

Psalms 5:8

Correct me, O LORD, but in justice;
not in your anger, lest you bring me to nothing.

Jeremiah 10:24

And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more,
with knowledge and all discernment,
so that you may approve what is excellent.

Philippians 1:9-10

And so, from the day we heard,
we have not ceased to pray for you,
asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will
in all spiritual wisdom and understanding.

Colossians 1:9

Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.

Psalms 25:4-5

Teach me your way, O LORD,
that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.

Psalms 86:11



Faith Affirmations

I will run in the way of your commandments
when you enlarge my heart!

Psalms 119:32

Your way was through the sea,
your path through the great waters;
yet your footprints were unseen.

Psalms 77:19

I cry out to God Most High,
to God who fulfills his purpose for me.

Psalms 57:2

You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.

Acts 2:28

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Promises to Give Needed Provision

For the LORD your God has blessed you
in all the work of your hands.
He knows your going through this great wilderness.
These forty years the LORD your God has been with you.
You have lacked nothing.

Deuteronomy 2:7

For thus says the LORD, the God of Israel,
“The jar of flour shall not be spent,
and the jug of oil shall not be empty,
until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.”

1 Kings 17:14

Thus says the LORD,
“I will make this dry streambed full of pools.”
For thus says the LORD, “You shall not see wind or rain,
but that streambed shall be filled with water,
so that you shall drink,
you, your livestock, and your animals.”
This is a light thing in the sight of the LORD.

2 Kings 3:16-18

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul.

Psalms 23:1-3

I am the LORD your God,
who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.
Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

Psalms 81:10

He who walks righteously and speaks uprightly...
who shuts his eyes from looking on evil...
his bread will be given him;
his water will be sure.

Isaiah 33:15-16

These all look to you,
to give them their food in due season.
When you give it to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand,
they are filled with good things.

Psalms 104:27-28

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,
and all these things will be added to you.

Matthew 6:33

Fear not, little flock,
for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Luke 12:32

And my God will supply every need of yours
according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19



Prayers for Provision

Give us this day our daily bread.

Matthew 6:11

Give me neither poverty nor riches;
feed me with the food that is needful for me,
lest I be full and deny you and say, "Who is the LORD?"
or lest I be poor and steal and profane the name of my God.

Proverbs 30:8-9



Faith Affirmations

If we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.

1 Timothy 6:8

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;
indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

Psalms 16:5-6

In your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

Psalms 68:10

God will supply every need.

Philippians 4:19

He... supplies the Spirit.

Galatians 3:5



Promises to Give Needed Protection

The beloved of the LORD dwells in safety.
The High God surrounds him all day long,
and dwells between his shoulders.

Deuteronomy 33:12

You will feel secure, because there is hope;
you will look around and take your rest in security.
You will lie down, and none will make you afraid;
many will court your favor.

Job 11:18-19

I lay down and slept; I woke again, for the LORD sustained me.

Psalms 3:5

In peace I will both lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Psalms 4:8

The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.

Psalms 9:9

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will lift me high upon a rock.

Psalms 27:5

Behold, God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life.

Psalms 54:4

When the earth totters, and all its inhabitants,
it is I who keep steady its pillars.

Psalms 75:3

Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him;
I will protect him, because he knows my name.

Psalms 91:14

Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place –
the Most High, who is my refuge –
no evil shall be allowed to befall you,
no plague come near your tent.
For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

Psalms 91:9-11

The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.

Psalms 121:7-8

As the mountains surround Jerusalem,
so the LORD surrounds his people,
from this time forth and forevermore.

Psalms 125:2

The name of the LORD is a strong tower;
the righteous man runs into it and is safe.

Proverbs 18:10

Listen to me, O house of Jacob,
all the remnant of the house of Israel,
who have been borne by me from before your birth,
carried from the womb;
even to your old age I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you.
I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save.

Isaiah 46:3-4



Prayers for Protection

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

Psalms 5:11

Hold me up,
that I may be safe and have regard for your statutes continually!

Psalms 119:117

I do not ask that you take them out of the world,
but that you keep them from the evil one.

John 17:15

But my eyes are toward you, O GOD, my Lord;
in you I seek refuge; leave me not defenseless!

Psalms 141:8



Faith Affirmations

O my Strength, I will watch for you,
for you, O God, are my fortress.
My God in his steadfast love will meet me;
God will let me look in triumph on my enemies.

Psalms 59:9-10

The LORD has become my stronghold,
and my God the rock of my refuge.

Psalms 94:22

He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress;
I shall not be shaken.

Psalms 62:6

You are my refuge in the day of disaster.

Jeremiah 17:17

It is good to be near God;
I have made the Lord GOD my refuge.

Psalms 73:28

He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

Psalms 92:15

I will say to the LORD,
“My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”

Psalms 91:2



The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to be silent.

Exodus 14:14

The LORD your God who goes before you
will himself fight for you,
just as he did for you in Egypt before your eyes,
and in the wilderness,
where you have seen how the LORD your God carried you,
as a man carries his son,
all the way that you went until you came to this place.

Deuteronomy 1:30-31

When you go out to war against your enemies,
and see horses and chariots
and an army larger than your own,
you shall not be afraid of them,
for the LORD your God is with you,
who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 20:1

For the LORD your God is he who goes with you
to fight for you against your enemies, to give you the victory.

Deuteronomy 20:4

Do not fear them,
for I have given them into your hands.
Not a man of them shall stand before you.

Joshua 10:8

Do not be afraid or dismayed; be strong and courageous.
For thus the LORD will do
to all your enemies against whom you fight.

Joshua 10:25

You shall fear the LORD your God,
and he will deliver you
out of the hand of all your enemies.

2 Kings 17:39

You will not need to fight in this battle.
Stand firm, hold your position,
and see the salvation of the LORD on your behalf,
O Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed.
Tomorrow go out against them, and the LORD will be with you.
2 Chronicles 20:17

He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage,
for many are arrayed against me.
Psalms 55:18

Oh, that my people would listen to me,
that Israel would walk in my ways!
I would soon subdue their enemies
and turn my hand against their foes.
Those who hate the LORD would cringe toward him,
and their fate would last forever.
But he would feed you with the finest of the wheat,
and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.
Psalms 81:13-16

And the LORD will cause his majestic voice to be heard
and the descending blow of his arm to be seen.
Isaiah 30:30

And every stroke of the appointed staff
that the LORD lays on them
will be to the sound of tambourines and lyres.
Isaiah 30:32

Behold, all who are incensed against you
shall be put to shame and confounded;
those who strive against you
shall be as nothing and shall perish.
You shall seek those who contend with you,
but you shall not find them;
those who war against you shall be as nothing at all.
Isaiah 41:11-12

I will contend with those who contend with you,
and I will save your children.
Isaiah 49:25

If anyone stirs up strife, it is not from me;
whoever stirs up strife with you shall fall because of you.

Isaiah 54:15

No weapon that is fashioned against you shall succeed,
and you shall confute every tongue
that rises against you in judgment.
This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD
and their vindication from me, declares the LORD.

Isaiah 54:17

All who took them captive have held them fast;
they refuse to let them go.
Their Redeemer is strong;
the LORD of hosts is his name.

Jeremiah 50:33-34

They shall know that I am the LORD,
when I break the bars of their yoke,
and deliver them from the hand of those who enslaved them.

Ezekiel 34:27

He who opens the breach goes up before them;
they break through and pass the gate, going out by it.
Their king passes on before them, the LORD at their head.

Micah 2:13



Prayer in the Presence of Our Enemies

Oh grant us help against the foe,
for vain is the salvation of man!

Psalms 108:12

Spare your people, O LORD,
and make not your heritage a reproach,
a byword among the nations.
Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'

Joel 2:17

David said,
"O LORD, please turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness."

2 Samuel 15:31

If your people go out to battle against their enemy,
by whatever way you shall send them,
and they pray to the LORD toward the city that you have chosen
and the house that I have built for your name,
then hear in heaven their prayer and their plea,
and maintain their cause.

1 Kings 8:44-45

O LORD, there is none like you to help,
between the mighty and the weak.
Help us, O LORD our God, for we rely on you,
and in your name we have come against this multitude.
O LORD, you are our God; let not man prevail against you.

2 Chronicles 14:11

O our God, will you not execute judgment on them?
For we are powerless against this great horde
that is coming against us.
We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.

2 Chronicles 20:12

Awake! Why are you sleeping, O Lord?
Rouse yourself! Do not reject us forever!
Why do you hide your face?
Why do you forget our affliction and oppression?
Rise up; come to our help!
Redeem us for the sake of your steadfast love!

Psalms 44:24,26

Direct your steps to the perpetual ruins;
the enemy has destroyed everything in the sanctuary!
Your foes have roared in the midst of your meeting place;
they set up their own signs for signs.

Psalms 74:4

O LORD, why do you make us wander from your ways
and harden our heart, so that we fear you not?
Return for the sake of your servants
our adversaries have trampled down your sanctuary.
We have become like those over whom you have never ruled,
like those who are not called by your name.

Isaiah 63:17-19

Wondrously show your steadfast love,
O Savior of those who seek refuge
from their adversaries at your right hand.
Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me in the shadow of your wings,
from the wicked who do me violence,
my deadly enemies who surround me.

Psalms 17:7-9

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.

Psalms 25:1-2

Teach me your way, O LORD,
and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.
Give me not up to the will of my adversaries.

Psalms 27:11-12

My times are in your hand;
rescue me from the hand of my enemies
and from my persecutors!

Psalms 31:15

Contend, O LORD, with those who contend with me;
fight against those who fight against me!

Psalms 35:1

Let them be put to shame and disappointed altogether
who rejoice at my calamity!
Let them be clothed with shame and dishonor
who magnify themselves against me!

Psalms 35:26

Be gracious to me, O God, for man tramples on me;
all day long an attacker oppresses me;
my enemies trample on me all day long,
for many attack me proudly.

Psalms 56:1-2

Deliver me from my enemies, O my God;
protect me from those who rise up against me.

Psalms 59:1

Hear my voice, O God, in my complaint;
preserve my life from dread of the enemy.

Psalms 64:1

Draw near to my soul, redeem me;
ransom me because of my enemies!

Psalms 69:18

Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek my life!
Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor
who delight in my hurt!

Psalms 70:2

Show me a sign of your favor,
that those who hate me may see and be put to shame
because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Psalms 86:17

Remember, O Lord, how your servants are mocked,
and how I bear in my heart
the insults of all the many nations,
with which your enemies mock, O LORD,
with which they mock the footsteps of your anointed.

Psalms 89:50-51

Rise up, O judge of the earth;
repay to the proud what they deserve!
O LORD, how long shall the wicked,
how long shall the wicked exult?

Psalms 94:2-3

Be not silent, O God of my praise!
In return for my love they accuse me, but I give myself to prayer.

Psalms 109:1,4

Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked;
do not further their evil plot, or they will be exalted!

Psalms 140:8

Keep me from the trap that they have laid for me
and from the snares of evildoers!
Let the wicked fall into their own nets, while I pass by safely.

Psalms 141:9-10

Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!
I have fled to you for refuge.

Psalms 143:9

Hear me, O LORD,
and listen to the voice of my adversaries.
Should good be repaid with evil?
Yet they have dug a pit for my life.
Remember how I stood before you to speak good for them,
to turn away your wrath from them.

Jeremiah 18:19-20

O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived;
you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all the day;
everyone mocks me.
For whenever I speak, I cry out,
I shout, "Violence and destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become for me
a reproach and derision all day long.

Jeremiah 20:7-8

Look, O LORD, and see, for I am despised.

Lamentations 1:11

Remember, O LORD, what has befallen us;
look, and see our disgrace!

Lamentations 5:1

How long must your servant endure?
When will you judge those who persecute me?

Psalms 119:84

Give your servant a pledge of good;
let not the insolent oppress me.

Psalms 119:122

Hear a just cause, O LORD; attend to my cry!
Give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit!
From your presence let my vindication come!
Let your eyes behold the right!

Psalms 17:1-2

You have seen, O LORD; be not silent! O Lord, be not far from me!
Awake and rouse yourself for my vindication,
for my cause, my God and my Lord!
Vindicate me, O LORD, my God, according to your righteousness,
and let them not rejoice over me!

Psalms 35:24



Faith Affirmations

The LORD saves not with sword and spear.
For the battle is the LORD's,
and he will give you into our hand.

1 Samuel 17:47

He will send from heaven and save me;
he will put to shame him who tramples on me.
God will send out his steadfast love and his faithfulness!

Psalms 57:3

My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

Psalms 25:15

My God in his steadfast love will meet me;
God will let me look in triumph on my enemies.

Psalms 59:10

Who brought me out from my enemies;
you exalted me above those who rose against me;
you delivered me from men of violence.

2 Samuel 22:49

The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed
and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom.
To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

2 Timothy 4:18

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.
In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.
What can flesh do to me?

Psalms 56:3-4

You have taken up my cause, O Lord;
you have redeemed my life.
You have seen the wrong done to me, O LORD; judge my cause.
Lamentations 3:58-59

You have heard their taunts, O LORD, all their plots against me.
Lamentations 3:61

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear;
though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.
Psalms 27:3

But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."
My times are in your hand.
Psalms 31:14-15

Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.
Isaiah 12:2

Rejoice not over me, O my enemy;
when I fall, I shall rise;
when I sit in darkness, the LORD will be a light to me.
Micah 7:8

25 Promises on the Power of the Cross Over Satan

I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.
Genesis 3:15

In that day the LORD
with his hard and great and strong sword
will punish Leviathan the fleeing serpent,
Leviathan the twisting serpent,
and he will slay the dragon that is in the sea.
Isaiah 27:1

I will cut off the cities of your land
and throw down all your strongholds;
and I will cut off sorceries from your hand,
and you shall have no more tellers of fortunes.

Micah 5:11-12

Behold, I have given you authority
to tread on serpents and scorpions,
and over all the power of the enemy,
and nothing shall hurt you.

Luke 10:19

Now is the judgment of this world;
now will the ruler of this world be cast out.
And I, when I am lifted up from the earth,
will draw all people to myself.

John 12:31-32

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness
and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son.

Colossians 1:13

By canceling the record of debt
that stood against us with its legal demands.
This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.
He disarmed the rulers and authorities
and put them to open shame,
by triumphing over them in him.

Colossians 2:14-15

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood,
he himself likewise partook of the same things,
that through death he might destroy the one
who has the power of death, that is, the devil,
and deliver all those who through fear of death
were subject to lifelong slavery.

Hebrews 2:14-15

Submit yourselves therefore to God.
Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

James 4:7

Jesus Christ who has gone into heaven
and is at the right hand of God,
with angels, authorities, and powers
having been subjected to him.

1 Peter 3:22

The reason the Son of God appeared
was to destroy the works of the devil.

1 John 3:8

Little children, you are from God and have overcome them,
for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

1 John 4:4

For everyone who has been born of God
overcomes the world.

And this is the victory that has overcome the world – our faith.

1 John 5:4

We know that everyone who has been born of God
does not keep on sinning,
but he who was born of God protects him,
and the evil one does not touch him.

1 John 5:18

I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying,
“Now the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God
and the authority of his Christ have come,
for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.
And they have conquered him
by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony,
for they loved not their lives even unto death.”

Revelation 12:10-11

They will make war on the Lamb,
and the Lamb will conquer them,
for he is Lord of lords and King of kings,
and those with him are called and chosen and faithful.

Revelation 17:14



Praying for God's Opposition to Satanic and Demonic Activity

Hear, O our God, for we are despised.
Turn back their taunt on their own heads
and give them up to be plundered
in a land where they are captives.
Do not cover their guilt,
and let not their sin be blotted out from your sight,
for they have provoked you to anger
in the presence of the builders.

Nehemiah 4:4-5

Remember Tobiah and Sanballat, O my God,
according to these things that they did,
and also the prophetess Noadiah
and the rest of the prophets who wanted to make me afraid.

Nehemiah 6:14

Arise, O LORD! Let not man prevail;
let the nations be judged before you!
Put them in fear, O LORD!
Let the nations know that they are but men!

Psalms 9:19-20

For the sin of their mouths, the words of their lips,
let them be trapped in their pride.

Psalms 59:12

Do not forget the clamor of your foes,
the uproar of those who rise against you,
which goes up continually!

Psalms 74:23

Arise, O God, judge the earth;
for you shall inherit all the nations!

Psalms 82:8

Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,
for we have had more than enough of contempt.

Psalms 123:3

How long, O God, is the foe to scoff?
Is the enemy to revile your name forever?
Why do you hold back your hand, your right hand?
Take it from the fold of your garment and destroy them!

Psalms 74:10-11

If favor is shown to the wicked,
he does not learn righteousness;
in the land of uprightness he deals corruptly
and does not see the majesty of the LORD.
O LORD, your hand is lifted up, but they do not see it.
Let them see your zeal for your people, and be ashamed.
Let the fire for your adversaries consume them.

Isaiah 26:20-11

Incline your ear, O LORD, and hear;
open your eyes, O LORD, and see;
and hear all the words of Sennacherib,
which he has sent to mock the living God.

Isaiah 37:17

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains might quake at your presence—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!

Isaiah 64:1-2

Pour out your wrath on the nations that know you not,
and on the peoples that call not on your name,
for they have devoured Jacob;
they have devoured him and consumed him,
and have laid waste his habitation.

Jeremiah 10:25

O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and take vengeance for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance take me not away;
know that for your sake I bear reproach.

Jeremiah 15:15

Forgive not their iniquity,
nor blot out their sin from your sight.

Jeremiah 18:23



Faith Affirmations

We destroy arguments
and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God,
and take every thought captive to obey Christ.

2 Corinthians 10:5

Through you we push down our foes;
through your name
we tread down those who rise up against us.

Psalms 44:5

You will destroy all the adversaries of my soul,
for I am your servant.

Psalms 143:12

26 Promises to Save Our Children and Future Generations

And I will establish my covenant
between me and you and your offspring after you
throughout their generations
for an everlasting covenant,
to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

Genesis 17:7

He loved your fathers
and chose their offspring after them
and brought you out of Egypt with his own presence,
by his great power.

Deuteronomy 4:37

They shall come and proclaim his righteousness
to a people yet unborn, that he has done it.

Psalms 22:31

The children of your servants shall dwell secure;
their offspring shall be established before you.

Psalms 102:28

For I will pour water on the thirsty land,
and streams on the dry ground;
I will pour my Spirit upon your offspring,
and my blessing on your descendants.
They shall spring up among the grass
like willows by flowing streams.
This one will say, 'I am the LORD's,'
another will call on the name of Jacob,
and another will write on his hand, 'The LORD's,'
and name himself by the name of Israel.

Isaiah 44:3-5

"And as for me, this is my covenant with them," says the LORD:
"My Spirit that is upon you,
and my words that I have put in your mouth,
shall not depart out of your mouth,
or out of the mouth of your offspring,
or out of the mouth of your children's offspring," says the LORD,
"from this time forth and forevermore."

Isaiah 59:21

Their offspring shall be known among the nations,
and their descendants in the midst of the peoples;
all who see them shall acknowledge them,
that they are an offspring the LORD has blessed.

Isaiah 61:9

They shall not labor in vain
or bear children for calamity,
for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD,
and their descendants with them.
Before they call I will answer;
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

Isaiah 65:23-24

Then fear not, O Jacob my servant, declares the LORD,
nor be dismayed, O Israel;
for behold, I will save you from far away,
and your offspring from the land of their captivity.

Jeremiah 30:10

Thus says the LORD:

“Keep your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears,
for there is a reward for your work, declares the LORD,
and they shall come back from the land of the enemy.

There is hope for your future, declares the LORD,
and your children shall come back to their own country.”

Jeremiah 31:16-17

Conditional promises regarding children:

Therefore you shall keep his statutes and his commandments,
which I command you today, that it may go well with you
and with your children after you.

Deuteronomy 4:40

Oh that they had such a mind as this always, to fear me
and to keep all my commandments,
that it might go well with them
and with their descendants forever!

Deuteronomy 5:29

Be careful to obey all these words that I command you,
that it may go well with you
and with your children after you forever,
when you do what is good and right
in the sight of the LORD your God.

Deuteronomy 12:28

Honor your father and your mother,
as the LORD your God commanded you,
that your days may be long,
and that it may go well with you
in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

Deuteronomy 5:16

You shall therefore lay up these words of mine
in your heart and in your soul,
and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand,
and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.
You shall teach them to your children,
talking of them when you are sitting in your house,
and when you are walking by the way,
and when you lie down, and when you rise.
You shall write them
on the doorposts of your house and on your gates,
that your days and the days of your children
may be multiplied in the land.

Deuteronomy 11:18-21

Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears the LORD,
who greatly delights in his commandments!
His offspring will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Psalms 112:1-2

The righteous who walks in his integrity –
blessed are his children after him!

Proverbs 20:7



Praying for Our Children

Abraham said to God, “Oh that Ishmael might live before you!”

Genesis 17:18

O Lord,
please let the man of God whom you sent come again to us
and teach us what we are to do with the child who will be born.

Judges 13:8

What is to be the child’s manner of life, and what is his mission?

Judges 13:12

Then he stretched himself upon the child three times
and cried to the LORD,
“O LORD my God, let this child’s life come into him again.”

1 Kings 17:21

O LORD of hosts,
if you will indeed look on the affliction of your servant
and remember me and not forget your servant,
but will give to your servant a son,
then I will give him to the LORD all the days of his life.

1 Samuel 1:11

Let your work be shown to your servants,
and your glorious power to their children.
Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and establish the work of our hands upon us;
yes, establish the work of our hands!

Psalms 90:16-17

Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David;
my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.

Matthew 15:22

Lord, have mercy on my son.

Matthew 17:15

May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,
give deliverance to the children of the needy,
and crush the oppressor!

Psalms 72:4

Arise, cry out in the night, at the beginning of the night watches!
Pour out your heart like water before the presence of the Lord!
Lift your hands to him for the lives of your children,
who faint for hunger at the head of every street.

Lamentations 2:19

My little daughter is at the point of death.
Come and lay your hands on her,
so that she may be made well and live.

Mark 5:23



Faith Affirmations

To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness.

Daniel 9:9

But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

Psalms 130:4

I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living!

Psalms 27:13

I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love,
because you have seen my affliction;
you have known the distress of my soul.

Psalms 31:7

I remember your name in the night, O LORD.

Psalms 119:55

Our soul waits for the LORD;
he is our help and our shield.
For our heart is glad in him,
because we trust in his holy name.

Psalms 33:21

I will ponder the way that is blameless.
Oh when will you come to me?
I will walk with integrity of heart within my house.

Psalms 101:2

In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence,
and his children will have a refuge.

Proverbs 14:26

I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.

Psalms 51:13

By your favor our horn is exalted.

Psalms 89:17

He will complete what he appoints for me.

Job 23:14

I say to the LORD,
“You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.”

Psalms 16:2

And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in you.

Psalms 39:7

Let it be to me according to your word.

Luke 1:38

27 Promises to Those Who Seek God

Those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

Psalms 34:10

The hand of our God is for good on all who seek him.

Ezra 8:22

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves,
and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways,
then I will hear from heaven
and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14

But from there you will seek the LORD your God
and you will find him,
if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul.

Deuteronomy 4:29

Evil men do not understand justice,
but those who seek the LORD understand it completely.

Proverbs 28:5

I did not speak in secret, in a land of darkness;
I did not say to the offspring of Jacob, 'Seek me in vain.'
I the LORD speak the truth; I declare what is right.

Isaiah 45:19

If you call out for insight
and raise your voice for understanding,
if you seek it like silver
and search for it as for hidden treasures,
then you will understand the fear of the LORD
and find the knowledge of God.

Proverbs 2:3-5

Sow for yourselves righteousness;
reap steadfast love;
break up your fallow ground, for it is the time to seek the LORD,
that he may come and rain righteousness upon you.

Hosea 10:12

He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you shall be satisfied.

Luke 6:21

Jesus said to them,
“I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger,
and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.”

John 6:35

In their distress
they turned to the LORD, the God of Israel,
and sought him, he was found by them.

2 Chronicles 15:4

Come, let us return to the LORD;
for he has torn us, that he may heal us;
he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.
After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD;
his going out is sure as the dawn;
he will come to us as the showers,
as the spring rains that water the earth.

Hosea 6:1-3

Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD,
that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Isaiah 55:6-7

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?
And who shall stand in his holy place?
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.
He will receive blessing from the LORD
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Psalms 24:3-6

You who seek God, let your hearts revive.

Psalms 69:32

I sought the LORD,
and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Psalms 34:4

Those who seek him shall praise the LORD!

Psalms 22:26

May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you;
may those who love your salvation say continually,
“Great is the LORD!”

Psalms 40:16

May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you!
May those who love your salvation say evermore, “God is great!”

Psalms 70:4

Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Psalms 105:3

Seek me and live!

Amos 5:4

Seek, and you will find.

Matthew 7:7

Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,
and all these things will be added to you.

Matthew 6:33

Without faith it is impossible to please him,
for whoever would draw near to God
must believe that he exists
and that he rewards those who seek him.

Hebrews 11:6



Seeking After God in Prayer

O God, you are my God;
earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.

Psalms 63:1-2

You have said, “Seek my face.”
My heart says to you, “Your face, LORD, do I seek.”

Psalms 27:8

I entreat your favor with all my heart;
be gracious to me according to your promise.

Psalms 119:58

As a deer pants for flowing streams,
so pants my soul for you, O God.

Psalms 42:1

My eyes long for your promise;
I ask, “When will you comfort me?”

Psalms 119:82

Whom have I in heaven but you?
And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you.

Psalms 73:25

I stretch out my hands to you;
my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.

Psalms 143:6

Answer me quickly, O LORD!
My spirit fails! Hide not your face from me,
lest I be like those who go down to the pit.
Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love,
for in you I trust.
Make me know the way I should go,
for to you I lift up my soul.

Psalms 143:7-8

O LORD, we wait for you;
your name and remembrance are the desire of our soul.
My soul yearns for you in the night;
my spirit within me earnestly seeks you.

Isaiah 26:8-9



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I open my mouth and pant,
because I long for your commandments.

Psalms 119:131

How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Psalms 84:1-2

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD
and to inquire in his temple.

Psalms 27:4

With my whole heart I seek you;
let me not wander from your commandments!

Psalms 119:10



Who is the man who fears the LORD?
 Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose.
 His soul shall abide in well-being,
 and his offspring shall inherit the land.
 The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him,
 and he makes known to them his covenant.

Psalms 25:12-14

Oh, how abundant is your goodness,
 which you have stored up for those who fear you
 and worked for those who take refuge in you,
 in the sight of the children of mankind!
 In the cover of your presence
 you hide them from the plots of men;
 you store them in your shelter
 from the strife of tongues.

Psalms 31:19-20

Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him,
 on those who hope in his steadfast love.

Psalms 33:18

The angel of the LORD encamps
 around those who fear him, and delivers them.

Psalms 34:7

You have set up a banner for those who fear you,
 that they may flee to it from the bow.

Psalms 60:4

As a father shows compassion to his children,
 so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

Psalms 103:13

But the steadfast love of the LORD
 is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him,
 and his righteousness to children's children.

Psalms 103:17

Praise the LORD!
Blessed is the man who fears the LORD,
who greatly delights in his commandments!
His offspring will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Psalms 112:1-2

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord...
He is not afraid of bad news;
his heart is firm, trusting in the LORD.
His heart is steady; he will not be afraid,
until he looks in triumph on his adversaries.

Psalms 112:1, 7-8

He will bless those who fear the LORD,
both the small and the great.

Psalms 115:13

Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD,
who walks in his ways!
You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands;
you shall be blessed, and it shall be well with you.
Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house;
your children will be like olive shoots around your table.
Behold, thus shall the man be blessed who fears the LORD.

Psalms 128:1-4

The LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Psalms 147:11

In the fear of the LORD
one has strong confidence,
and his children will have a refuge.
The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life,
that one may turn away from the snares of death.

Proverbs 14:26-27

The fear of the LORD leads to life,
and whoever has it rests satisfied;
he will not be visited by harm.

Proverbs 19:23

He will be the stability of your times,
abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge;
the fear of the LORD is Zion's treasure.

Isaiah 33:6

But for you who fear my name,
the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings.
You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

Malachi 4:2

*A special promise
that God will give the fear of God to his people:*

And they shall be my people, and I will be their God.
I will give them one heart and one way,
that they may fear me forever,
for their own good
and the good of their children after them.
I will make with them an everlasting covenant,
that I will not turn away from doing good to them.
And I will put the fear of me in their hearts,
that they may not turn from me.

Jeremiah 32:38-40



Prayers Regarding the Fear of God

O Lord, let your ear be attentive
to the prayer of your servant,
and to the prayer of your servants
who delight to fear your name,
and give success to your servant today.

Nehemiah 1:11

Teach me your way, O LORD,
that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.

Psalms 86:11



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Those who fear you shall see me and rejoice,
because I have hoped in your word.

Psalms 119:74

I, through the abundance of your steadfast love,
will enter your house.
I will bow down toward your holy temple
in the fear of you.

Psalms 5:7

I am a companion of all who fear you,
of those who keep your precepts.

Psalms 119:63

My flesh trembles for fear of you,
and I am afraid of your judgments.

Psalms 119:120

He who withholds kindness from a friend
forsakes the fear of the Almighty.

Job 6:14

Knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others.

2 Corinthians 5:11

Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints,
for those who fear him have no lack!

Psalms 34:9

29 Promises to the Humble

Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.

Psalms 25:8-9

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Psalms 51:17

For though the LORD is high,
he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar.

Psalms 138:6

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

Isaiah 57:15

This is the one to whom I will look:
he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word.

Isaiah 66:2

The LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.

Psalms 146:8

Whoever exalts himself will be humbled,
and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

Matthew 23:12

God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

James 4:6

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

James 4:10

Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders.
Clothe yourselves, all of you,
with humility toward one another,
for “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”
Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God
so that at the proper time he may exalt you,
casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

1 Peter 5:5-7



Praying for and with Humility

Behold, I have undertaken to speak to the Lord,
I who am but dust and ashes.

Genesis 18:27

I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;
therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes.

Job 42:5-6

O God, you know my folly;
the wrongs I have done are not hidden from you.

Psalms 69:5

Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.

Luke 5:8

Do not remember against us our former iniquities;
let your compassion come speedily to meet us,
for we are brought very low.

Psalms 79:8

Attend to my cry, for I am brought very low!
Deliver me from my persecutors,
for they are too strong for me!

Psalms 142:6

Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof,
but only say the word, and my servant will be healed.

Matthew 8:8



Faith Affirmations

I am the man who has seen affliction under the rod of his wrath.

Lamentations 3:1

The LORD preserves the simple;
when I was brought low, he saved me.

Psalms 116:6

I am the least in my father's house.

Judges 6:15

I am the least of the apostles.

1 Corinthians 15:9

I am the very least of all the saints.

Ephesians 3:8

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners,
of whom I am the foremost.

1 Timothy 1:15

As for me, I am poor and needy,
but the Lord takes thought for me.

Psalms 40:17

The LORD makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low and he exalts.

1 Samuel 2:7

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Psalms 51:17

I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound.
In any and every circumstance,
I have learned the secret
of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.
I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:12-13

30 Promises to the Generous

You shall give to him freely,
and your heart shall not be grudging when you give to him,
because for this the LORD your God will bless you
in all your work and in all that you undertake.

Deuteronomy 15:10

You may not charge your brother interest,
that the LORD your God may bless you
in all that you undertake.

Deuteronomy 23:20

When you reap your harvest in your field
and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it.
It shall be for the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow,
that the LORD your God may bless you
in all the work of your hands.

Deuteronomy 24:19

He is ever lending generously,
and his children become a blessing.

Psalms 37:26

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends;
who conducts his affairs with justice.

Psalms 112:5

Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the LORD,
and he will repay him for his deed.

Proverbs 19:17

Whoever gives to the poor will not want.

Proverbs 28:27

Give, and it will be given to you.
Good measure, pressed down, shaken together,
running over, will be put into your lap.
For with the measure you use
it will be measured back to you.

Luke 6:38

When you give a dinner or a banquet,
do not invite your friends or your brothers
or your relatives or rich neighbors,
lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid.
But when you give a feast,
invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind,
and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you.
For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.

Luke 14:12-14

Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly,
and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

2 Corinthians 9:6

And God is able to make all grace abound to you,
so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times,
you may abound in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food
will supply and multiply your seed for sowing
and increase the harvest of your righteousness.
You will be enriched in every way
to be generous in every way,
which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

2 Corinthians 9:10-11



Praying about Our Giving

“And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground,
which you, O LORD, have given me.”

And you shall set it down before the LORD your God
and worship before the LORD your God.

Deuteronomy 26:10

Then you shall say before the LORD your God,
‘I have removed the sacred portion out of my house,
and moreover, I have given it to the Levite,
the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow,
according to all your commandment
that you have commanded me.
I have not transgressed any of your commandments,
nor have I forgotten them.’

Deuteronomy 26:13

But who am I, and what is my people,
that we should be able thus to offer willingly?
For all things come from you,
and of your own have we given you.

1 Chronicles 29:14

O LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided
for building you a house for your holy name
comes from your hand and is all your own.

1 Chronicles 29:16



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Both riches and honor come from you,
and you rule over all.
In your hand are power and might,
and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.

1 Chronicles 29:12

I will not... offer burnt offerings that cost me nothing.

1 Chronicles 21:24

The LORD makes poor and makes rich;
he brings low and he exalts.

1 Samuel 2:7

From him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.

Romans 11:36

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Promises to the Obedient

You shall therefore keep the whole commandment
that I command you today, that you may be strong.

Deuteronomy 11:8

For the eyes of the LORD
run to and fro throughout the whole earth,
to give strong support
to those whose heart is blameless toward him.

2 Chronicles 16:9

Yet the righteous holds to his way,
and he who has clean hands grows stronger and stronger.

Job 17:9

The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies me;
to one who orders his way rightly
I will show the salvation of God!

Psalms 50:23

For the LORD God is a sun and shield;
the LORD bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold
from those who walk uprightly.
O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!

Psalms 84:11-12

The righteous who walks in his integrity –
blessed are his children after him!

Proverbs 20:7

Whoever pursues righteousness and kindness
will find life, righteousness, and honor.

Proverbs 21:21

Apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment?
For to the one who pleases him
God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy.

Ecclesiastes 2:25-26

Oh that you had paid attention to my commandments!
Then your peace would have been like a river,
and your righteousness like the waves of the sea.

Isaiah 48:18

You meet him who joyfully works righteousness,
those who remember you in your ways.

Isaiah 64:5

Obey my voice, and I will be your God,
and you shall be my people.
And walk in all the way that I command you,
that it may be well with you.

Jeremiah 7:23

Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you,
there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters
or mother or father or children or lands,
for my sake and for the gospel,
who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time,
houses and brothers and sisters and mothers
and children and lands,
with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life."

Mark 10:29-30

And the Lord said,
"Who then is the faithful and wise manager,
whom his master will set over his household,
to give them their portion of food at the proper time?
Blessed is that servant
whom his master will find so doing when he comes.
Truly, I say to you, he will set him over all his possessions."

Luke 12:42-44

Well done, good servant!
Because you have been faithful in a very little,
you shall have authority over ten cities.

Luke 19:17

If you abide in my word,
you are truly my disciples,
and you will know the truth,
and the truth will set you free.

John 8:31-32

Jesus answered him,
"If anyone loves me, he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we will come to him
and make our home with him."

John 14:23

Whoever has my commandments and keeps them,
he it is who loves me. And he who loves me
will be loved by my Father, and I will love him
and manifest myself to him.

John 14:21

We are witnesses to these things,
and so is the Holy Spirit,
whom God has given to those who obey him.

Acts 5:32

Knowing that whatever good anyone does,
this he will receive back from the Lord,
whether he is a slave or free.

Ephesians 6:8

What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me –
practice these things,
and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:9

But God's firm foundation stands, bearing this seal:
"The Lord knows those who are his,"
and, "Let everyone who names the name of the Lord
depart from iniquity."
Now in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver
but also of wood and clay,
some for honorable use, some for dishonorable.
Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable,
he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy,
useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.

2 Timothy 2:19-21

But the one who looks into the perfect law,
the law of liberty,
and perseveres,
being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts,
he will be blessed in his doing.

James 1:25

For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous,
and his ears are open to their prayer.
But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.

1 Peter 3:12

Whoever loves his brother abides in the light,
and in him there is no cause for stumbling.

1 John 2:10

Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us,
we have confidence before God;
and whatever we ask we receive from him,
because we keep his commandments
and do what pleases him.

1 John 3:21-22

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy,
and blessed are those who hear,
and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

Revelation 1:3

Yet you have still a few names in Sardis,
people who have not soiled their garments,
and they will walk with me in white, for they are worthy.
The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments,
and I will never blot his name out of the book of life.
I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels.

Revelation 3:4-5

And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this:
Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on."
"Blessed indeed," says the Spirit,
"that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!"

Revelation 14:13

Behold, I am coming soon.
Blessed is the one
who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.

Revelation 22:7

And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone,
for I always do the things that are pleasing to him.

John 8:29



Praying for Obedience and Its Accompanying Blessings

Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight,
please show me now your ways,
that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight.

Exodus 33:13

Let your hand be ready to help me.

Psalms 119:173

Deal bountifully with your servant,
that I may live and keep your word.

Psalms 119:17

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to
the end. Give me understanding,
that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Psalms 119:33-34

I entreat your favor with all my heart;
be gracious to me according to your promise.

Psalms 119:58

Turn to me and be gracious to me,
as is your way with those who love your name.
Keep steady my steps according to your promise,
and let no iniquity get dominion over me.

Psalms 119:132-133

Make your face shine upon your servant,
and teach me your statutes.

Psalms 119:135

O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of your servant,
and to the prayer of your servants who delight to fear your name,
and give success to your servant today.

Nehemiah 1:11

Summon your power, O God,
the power, O God, by which you have worked for us.

Psalms 68:28

Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come;
you have given the command to save me,
for you are my rock and my fortress.

Psalms 71:3

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Psalms 19:14

Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.

Psalms 86:11

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!
Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

Psalms 143:10

My soul melts away for sorrow;
strengthen me according to your word!

Psalms 119:28

Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain!
Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things;
and give me life in your ways.

Psalms 119:36-37

Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth;
keep watch over the door of my lips!
Do not let my heart incline to any evil,
to busy myself with wicked deeds
in company with men who work iniquity,
and let me not eat of their delicacies!

Psalms 141:3-4

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalms 51:10

Remember for my good, O my God,
all that I have done for this people.

Nehemiah 5:19

Remember me, O my God, concerning this,
and do not wipe out my good deeds
that I have done for the house of my God and for his service.

Nehemiah 13:14

Now, O LORD, please remember how I have walked before you
in faithfulness and with a whole heart,
and have done what is good in your sight.

2 Kings 20:3

Search me, O God, and know my heart!
Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

Psalms 139:23-24

May my heart be blameless in your statutes,
that I may not be put to shame!

Psalms 119:80

Teach me good judgment and knowledge,
for I believe in your commandments.

Psalms 119:66

Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness because of my enemies;
make your way straight before me.

Psalms 5:8

Send out your light and your truth; let them lead me;
let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!

Psalms 43:3

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.

Psalms 25:4-5

May my heart be blameless in your statutes,
that I may not be put to shame!

Psalms 119:80

Now may the God of peace
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
equip you with everything good that you may do his will,
working in us that which is pleasing in his sight,
through Jesus Christ,
to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 13:20-21



Faith Affirmations

I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end.

Psalms 119:112

I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.

I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

Psalms 119:16

I said, "I will guard my ways, that I may not sin with my tongue;

I will guard my mouth with a muzzle,

so long as the wicked are in my presence."

Psalms 39:1

Whoever has a haughty look and an arrogant heart

I will not endure.

Psalms 101:5

I will not set before my eyes anything that is worthless.

I hate the work of those who fall away; it shall not cling to me.

Psalms 101:3

I will look with favor on the faithful in the land,

that they may dwell with me;

he who walks in the way that is blameless shall minister to me.

Psalms 101:6

I must perform my vows to you, O God;

I will render thank offerings to you.

Psalms 56:12

I will remind them of your righteousness, yours alone.

Psalms 71:16

I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your

righteous rules.

Psalms 119:7

Come and hear, all you who fear God,

and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

Psalms 66:16



Our God is a God of salvation,
and to GOD, the Lord, belong deliverances from death.

Psalms 68:20

He poured out his soul to death
and was numbered with the transgressors;
yet he bore the sin of many.

Isaiah 53:12

But we see him who for a little while
was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus,
crowned with glory and honor
because of the suffering of death,
so that by the grace of God
he might taste death for everyone.

Hebrews 2:9

He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people
he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

Isaiah 25:8

For he stands at the right hand of the needy one,
to save him from those who condemn his soul to death.

Psalms 109:31

The tender mercy of our God,
whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high
to give light to those who sit in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1:78-79

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word
and believes him who sent me has eternal life.
He does not come into judgment,
but has passed from death to life.

John 5:24

Even though I walk
through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Psalms 23:4

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood,
he himself likewise partook of the same things,
that through death
he might destroy the one who has the power of death,
that is, the devil, and deliver all those
who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

Hebrews 2:14-15

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

Psalms 116:15

For we know that
if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed,
we have a building from God,
a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

2 Corinthians 5:1

For I am sure that neither death nor life,
nor angels nor rulers,
nor things present nor things to come, nor powers,
nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

“O death, where is your victory?
O death, where is your sting?”
The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.
The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.
But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:55-57

For as by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:21

Blessed and holy is the one
who shares in the first resurrection!
Over such the second death has no power,
but they will be priests of God and of Christ,
and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

Revelation 20:6

His own purpose and grace,
which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,
and which now has been manifested
through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus,
who abolished death
and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

2 Timothy 1:9-10

Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one.
I died, and behold I am alive forevermore,
and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

Revelation 1:17-18

He will wipe away every tear from their eyes,
and death shall be no more,
neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore,
for the former things have passed away.

Revelation 21:4



Prayers of Those Facing Death

See my affliction from those who hate me,
O you who lift me up from the gates of death.

Psalms 9:13

The cords of death encompassed me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me; the cords of Sheol
entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.

Psalms 18:4-5

The snares of death encompassed me;
the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me;
I suffered distress and anguish.

Psalms 116:3

What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit?
Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Psalms 30:9

Consider and answer me, O LORD my God;
light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death.

Psalms 13:3

My heart is in anguish within me;
the terrors of death have fallen upon me.

Psalms 55:4

For you have delivered my soul from death,
my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling.

Psalms 116:8

The LORD has disciplined me severely,
but he has not given me over to death.

Psalms 118:18

“Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.”

Acts 7:59



Faith Affirmations

It is my eager expectation and hope
that I will not be at all ashamed,
but that with full courage now as always
Christ will be honored in my body,
whether by life or by death.

Philippians 1:20

No man has power to retain the spirit,
or power over the day of death.
There is no discharge from war,
nor will wickedness deliver those who are given to it.

Ecclesiastes 8:8

What man can live and never see death?
Who can deliver his soul from the power of Sheol?

Psalms 89:48

God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol,
or he will receive me.

Psalms 49:15

For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.
And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!

Job 19:25-27

As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness;
when I awake, I shall be satisfied with your likeness.

Psalms 17:15

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.

Acts 2:27

You have delivered my soul from death,
yes, my feet from falling,
that I may walk before God in the light of life.

Psalms 56:13

This perishable body must put on the imperishable,
and this mortal body must put on immortality.

1 Corinthians 15:53

We know that if the tent
that is our earthly home is destroyed,
we have a building from God,
a house not made with hands,
eternal in the heavens.

2 Corinthians 5:1

We know that while we are at home in the body
we are away from the Lord...
Yes, we are of good courage,
and we would rather be away from the body
and at home with the Lord.

2 Corinthians 5:6,8

When the perishable puts on the imperishable,
and the mortal puts on immortality,
then shall come to pass the saying that is written:
“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

1 Corinthians 15:54

Henceforth there is laid up for me
the crown of righteousness,
which the Lord, the righteous judge,
will award to me on that Day,
and not only to me
but also to all who have loved his appearing.

2 Timothy 4:8

But according to his promise
we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth
in which righteousness dwells.

2 Peter 3:13

I am continually with you; you hold my right hand.
You guide me with your counsel,
and afterward you will receive me to glory.

Psalms 73:23-24

5 Using Scripture for Prayer Blessings (Benedictions)

May the LORD deal kindly with you...
The LORD grant that you may find rest,
each of you in the house of her husband!

Ruth 1:9

The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked,
the God who has been my shepherd all my life long to this day,
the angel who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the boys.

Genesis 48:15-16

May the LORD give you increase, you and your children!
May you be blessed by the LORD, who made heaven and earth!

Psalms 115:14-15

May our sons in their youth be like plants full grown,
our daughters like corner pillars cut for the structure of a palace.

Psalms 144:12

The LORD bless you and keep you;
The LORD make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
The LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

Bless, O LORD, his substance, and accept the work of his hands;
crush the loins of his adversaries, of those who hate him,
that they rise not again.

Deuteronomy 33:11

Your bars shall be iron and bronze,
and as your days, so shall your strength be.

Deuteronomy 33:25

May the LORD your God be with you.

Joshua 1:17

The LORD repay you for what you have done,
and a full reward be given you by the LORD, the God of Israel,
under whose wings you have come to take refuge!

Ruth 2:12

May the LORD reward you with good
for what you have done to me this day.

1 Samuel 24:19

May the LORD show steadfast love and faithfulness to you.

2 Samuel 15:20

The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers.
May he not leave us or forsake us,
that he may incline our hearts to him, to walk in all his ways
and to keep his commandments, his statutes, and his rules,
which he commanded our fathers.

1 Kings 8:57-58

May the LORD grant you discretion and understanding,
that when he gives you charge over Israel
you may keep the law of the LORD your God.

1 Chronicles 22:12

And now arise, O LORD God, and go to your resting place...
Let your priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation,
and let your saints rejoice in your goodness.

2 Chronicles 6:41

May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble!
May the name of the God of Jacob protect you!
May he grant you your heart's desire and fulfill all your plans!
May the LORD fulfill all your petitions!

Psalms 20:1,4-5

May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Psalms 29:11

The blessing of the LORD be upon you!
We bless you in the name of the LORD!

Psalms 129:8

May the LORD bless you from Zion,
he who made heaven and earth!

Psalms 134:3

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Romans 15:13

May the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

Romans 15:33

Now to him who is able to strengthen you
according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ...
according to the command of the eternal God,
to bring about the obedience of faith—
to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ!
Amen.

Romans 16:25-27

My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

1 Corinthians 16:24

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

2 Corinthians 13:14

Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith,
from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ
with love incorruptible.

Ephesians 6:23-24

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father,
who loved us and gave us eternal comfort
and good hope through grace,
comfort your hearts and establish them
in every good work and word.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God
and to the steadfastness of Christ.

2 Thessalonians 3:5

Now may the Lord of peace himself
give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.
2 Thessalonians 3:16

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
2 Thessalonians 3:18

Grace, mercy, and peace
from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
1 Timothy 1:2

Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.
Titus 1:4

Grace to you and peace
from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
1 Corinthians 1:3

May grace and peace be multiplied to you
in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.
2 Peter 1:2

Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us,
from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son,
in truth and love.
2 John 1:3

The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.
2 Timothy 4:22

May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.
Jude 1:2

Now may the God of peace
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
equip you with everything good that you may do his will,
working in us that which is pleasing in his sight,
through Jesus Christ,
to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.
Hebrews 13:20-21

I pray that all may go well with you
and that you may be in good health,
as it goes well with your soul.

3 John 1:2

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling
and to present you blameless
before the presence of his glory with great joy,
to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord,
be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority,
before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Jude 1:24-25

Grace to you and peace
from him who is and who was and who is to come,
and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,
and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

Revelation 1:4-5

6 Appendices

Praying with Faith

Lack of faith lies at the root of all poor praying,
feeble praying, little praying, unanswered praying.

E. M. Bounds

There are two common extremes when it comes to the exercise of faith in prayer. The first extreme is the “name it and claim it” approach which treats the one praying as supreme and God as the “genie in the lamp” who exists to serve us. The second extreme is the group that considers faith as something that starts the Christian life, but is “used” only occasionally after conversion. For these people the idea of praying with faith would, at most, mean praying something like: “if it be your will”.

There are, of course, times where such acquiescence is the very model of godliness (See the section “Living Before the Face of God” at the front of this manual). To accept what God providentially gives displays great faith and trust in God. Yet it is not always so. Sometimes it displays a refusal to trust God for greater things; really just plain old unbelief masquerading as surrender (Mark 9:22-24, 28-29). There are more unbelieving believers than we might be willing to admit. Well then, what is real faith supposed to look like in our lives? And how is faith intended to function in our prayers?

Here is a simple example that will hopefully make this a little clearer.

A light switch holds no intrinsic power. Yet the power supply in the house only reaches the light bulbs when the switch is thrown. The switch does not power the light, yet it is the conduit that connects the real power to the bulb. So it is with faith. Think of how the Holy Spirit connected your life to the saving power of Christ. Did he do it apart from faith or through faith?

Think with me briefly about two well known stories in the gospels. One involves a woman who touched Jesus in a crowd. There were many people pressing and touching Jesus as was plain by Peter's answer (Luke 8:45) yet only one was healed by an infusion of Divine power.

But Jesus said, "Someone touched me,
for I perceive that power has gone out from me."

Luke 8:46

What was the difference between her "touch" and the others'? Only one person in that crowd reached out with faith (Luke 8:48)! Faith was the connecting point.

Scene two: Jesus is in His hometown, but seems hindered in the display of His power among them. The cause is not presented in terms of God's sovereignty (though God was certainly sovereign over the situation) but in terms of human unbelief. No switch to connect the power to the lights.

And he could do no mighty work there,
except that he laid his hands
on a few sick people and healed them.
And he marveled because of their unbelief.

Mark 6:5-6

So then how do we get the kind of faith that Christ is looking for? How do believers "grow faith" in God for praying boldly? Here are three wonderful sources that generate faith:

1. The person of Christ generates faith.

Study His life in the gospels and perceive how He reveals God to us. Here we behold the infinite and timeless Creator wrapped in human skin and living on our planet. In Him we see God's heart to work on behalf of the needy (for example: Luke 7:12-15; Mark 2:4-11; Matthew 8:2-3; Matthew 15:22-28; etc).

The faith which creates powerful praying
is the faith which centers itself on a powerful person.
Faith in Christ's ability to do and to do greatly,
is the faith which prays greatly.

E. M. Bounds

2. The cross of Christ generates faith.

The redemptive “Christ-focused word” generates faith both for the brand-new believer as well as the long-time believer. The look at Christ on the cross in our place generates faith. For one, saving faith. For the other, sanctifying faith.

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Romans 10:17

The cross, in a particular way, reveals God’s heart for unworthy sinners. It reveals the incomprehensible measures He will take to rescue us. It reveals God to us as nothing else in all Scripture does. God does nothing that He isn’t. Everything He does reveals His intrinsic character. The cross reveals God’s glorious nature to us in all its splendor!

The supreme moment of divine self-disclosure,
the greatest moment of displayed glory,
was in the shame of the cross.

D. A. Carson

Many of us never move beyond the faith of “**God can**” (ability). But the cross surely shows us more of God than that! It shows us that God is not only able, but willing—“**God desires**” (attitude). But beyond that it displays in bold strokes that God will actually act on our behalf—“**God does**” (action)! Doesn’t the following promise declare this very truth to our often unbelieving hearts?

If God is for us, who can be against us?

He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all,
how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

Romans 8:31-32

Faith in Christ’s ability to do and to do greatly,
is the faith which prays greatly.

E. M. Bounds

3. The promises of Scripture generate faith

The promises assure us that God is a “rewarder of those who seek Him” (Hebrews 11:6; Romans 4:19-21; Hebrews 11:26; etc). Remember John Bunyan’s classic story, “Pilgrims Progress”? What was it that ignited the faith that released Christian from the dungeon of despair? It was a small key that he found in his pocket that unlocked all the doors of Doubting Castle. The name of the key was “the key of promise”. These promises include many wonderful revelations about who God is. Seeing the greatness of our God leads to increased faith in Him.

Those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Psalms 9:10

Faith and the Prayerful Use of Promises

The promises of God are rooted in the character and purposes of God:

Because of your promise, and according to your own heart,
you have brought about all this greatness,
to make your servant know it.

2 Samuel 7:21

Many of the promises of the Old Testament, made to Israel, are now for the Church:

What agreement has the temple of God with idols?
For we are the temple of the living God;
as **God said**, "I will make my dwelling among them
and walk among them, and I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.
Therefore go out from their midst,
and be separate from them, says the Lord,
and touch no unclean thing;
then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you,
and you shall be sons and daughters to me,
says the Lord Almighty."
Since **we have these promises**, beloved,
let us cleanse ourselves
from every defilement of body and spirit,
bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.

2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

**God's promises granted in Christ
are vital for our growth in godliness:**

His divine power has granted to us
all things that pertain to life and godliness,
through the knowledge of him
who called us to his own glory and excellence,
by which he has granted to us
his precious and very great promises,
so that **through them**
you may become partakers of the divine nature,
having escaped from the corruption
that is in the world because of sinful desire.

2 Peter 1:3-4

**The promises center on Christ
and are granted through faith in Him:**

This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs,
members of the same body, and partakers of the promise
in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Ephesians 3:6

For the Son of God, Jesus Christ,
whom we proclaimed among you...
was not Yes and No, but in him it is always Yes.
For all the promises of God find their Yes in him.
That is why it is through him
that we utter our Amen to God for his glory.

2 Corinthians 1:19-20

That is why it depends on faith,
in order that the promise may rest on grace.

Romans 4:16

Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring.
It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many,
but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ.

Galatians 3:16

Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD,
when I will fulfill the promise I made
to the house of Israel and the house of Judah.
In those days and at that time
I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David,
and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.
In those days Judah will be saved,
and Jerusalem will dwell securely.
And this is the name by which it will be called:
“The LORD is our righteousness.”

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Promises are often delayed but never forgotten by God:

Therefore say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD:
None of my words will be delayed any longer,
but the word that I speak will be performed,
declares the Lord GOD.

Ezekiel 12:28

As the time of the promise drew near,
which God had granted to Abraham.

Acts 7:17

Promises are inherited through faith in Christ and patience in prayer:

So that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those
who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Hebrews 6:12

And thus Abraham, having patiently waited,
obtained the promise.

Hebrews 6:15

Therefore do not throw away your confidence,
which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance,
so that when you have done the will of God
you may receive what is promised.

Hebrews 10:35-36

Who through faith... obtained promises.

Hebrews 11:33

Jacob's example of praying promises:

Then **the LORD said** to Jacob,
"Return to the land of your fathers and to your kindred,
and I will be with you."

Genesis 31:3

And Jacob said,
"O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac,
O LORD **who said to me**,
'Return to your country and to your kindred,
that I may do you good,'
But **you said**, 'I will surely do you good,
and make your offspring as the sand of the sea,
which cannot be numbered for multitude.'"

Genesis 32:9, 12

Moses' example of praying promises:

Turn from your burning anger
and relent from this disaster against your people.
Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants,
to whom you swore by your own self, and said to them,
'I will multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven,
and all this land that I have promised
I will give to your offspring,
and they shall inherit it forever.'

Exodus 32:11-13

Asaph's example of praying promises:

“Will the Lord spurn forever, and never again be favorable?
Has his steadfast love forever ceased?
Are his promises at an end for all time?
Has God forgotten to be gracious?
Has he in anger shut up his compassion?”
Then I said, “I will appeal to this,
to the years of the right hand of the Most High.”

Psalms 77:7-10

David's example of praying promises:

And what more can David say to you?
For you know your servant, O Lord GOD!
Because of your promise, and according to your own heart,
you have brought about all this greatness,
to make your servant know it.
And now, O LORD God,
confirm forever the word that you have spoken
concerning your servant and concerning his house,
and do as you have spoken.

2 Samuel 7:20-21,25

And now, O Lord GOD,
you are God, and your words are true,
and you have promised this good thing to your servant.
Now therefore may it please you
to bless the house of your servant,
so that it may continue forever before you.
For you, O Lord GOD, have spoken, and with your blessing
shall the house of your servant be blessed forever.

2 Samuel 7:28-29

Daniel's example of praying promises:

In the first year of his reign,
I, Daniel, perceived in the books
the number of years that,
according to the word of the LORD to Jeremiah the prophet,
must pass before the end of the desolations of Jerusalem,
namely, seventy years.
Then I turned my face to the Lord God,
seeking him by prayer and pleas for mercy
with fasting and sackcloth and ashes.

Daniel 9:2-3

Nehemiah's example of praying promises:

Remember the word
that you commanded your servant Moses,
saying, 'If you are unfaithful,
I will scatter you among the peoples,
but if you return to me
and keep my commandments and do them,
though your outcasts are in the uttermost parts of heaven,
from there I will gather them
and bring them to the place that I have chosen,
to make my name dwell there.'

Nehemiah 1:8-9

Other examples of praying promises:

Remember your word to your servant,
in which you have made me hope.

Psalms 119:49

I entreat your favor with all my heart;
be gracious to me according to your promise.

Psalms 119:58

Confirm to your servant your promise,
that you may be feared.

Psalms 119:38

Let your steadfast love come to me, O LORD,
your salvation according to your promise.

Psalms 119:41

Let your steadfast love comfort me
according to your promise to your servant.

Psalms 119:76

Uphold me according to your promise, that I may live,
and let me not be put to shame in my hope!

Psalms 119:116

Turn to me and be gracious to me,
as is your way with those who love your name.
Keep steady my steps according to your promise,
and let no iniquity get dominion over me.

Psalms 119:132-133

Plead my cause and redeem me;
give me life according to your promise!

Psalms 119:154

And now, please let the power of the Lord
be great as you have promised.

Numbers 14:17

You have kept your promise, for you are righteous.

Nehemiah 9:8

Blessed be the LORD
who has given rest to his people Israel,
according to all that he promised.
Not one word has failed of all his good promise,
which he spoke by Moses his servant.

1 Kings 8:56

What you spoke has come to pass, and behold, you see it.

Jeremiah 32:24

Behold, I am the servant of the Lord;
let it be to me according to your word.

Luke 1:38

Examples of How to Use the Prayer Method

The following pages contain prayer guides showing examples of the prayer method for various situations:

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Praying for Wisdom for Decisions and for Solving Problems

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Praying for the Spread of the Gospel

Praying for Revival

These examples are followed by blank templates for you to use to create your own prayer guides.

Please feel free to print out additional copies of these templates.

Praying When Feeling Discouraged



Praise
God

A bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench. - Isaiah 42:3

In all their affliction he was afflicted. - Isaiah 63:9



Confess
Sin

I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. 'Who is this that

hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have

uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. Job 42:2-3

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer? My small group friend Tyler  .

2. What is their most pressing need? Hope!

3. How does God's word address this need? God's presence - Dt 31:8



Pray
the
Promises

It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed. - Deuteronomy 31:8



Pray
Scripture
Prayers

Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. Psalms 90:14



Pray
Faith
Affirmations

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God. - Psalms 42:5

Praying for a Lost Child



Praise
God

Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh.

Is anything too hard for me? - Jeremiah 32:27



Confess
Sin

We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind,

take us away. There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.

Isaiah 64:6-7

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer? My daughter Alyssa



2. What is their most pressing need? Conviction of sin

3. How does God's word address this need?

The activity of the Spirit - Isa 44:3



Pray
the
Promises

For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams
on the dry ground; I will pour my Spirit upon your
offspring, and my blessing on your descendants.
Isaiah 44:3



Pray
Scripture
Prayers

Let your work be shown to your servants, and your
glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the
Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of
our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our
hands! - Psalms 90:16-17



Pray
Faith
Affirmations

Let it be to me according to your word. - Luke 1:38
For nothing will be impossible with God. - Luke 1:37

Praying for Wisdom for Decisions and for Solving Problems



Praise
God

Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. - Colossians 2:2-3



Confess
Sin

I have not learned wisdom, nor have I knowledge of the Holy One. - Proverbs 30:3

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer?



How to resolve the conflict with Gabriel

2. What is their most pressing need? Wise words.

How to correct the problem with gentleness

3. How does God's word address this need? God gives good judgement

Ps 119:66



Pray
the
Promises

The LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come
knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound
wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who
walk in integrity. - Proverbs 2:6-7



Pray
Scripture
Prayers

Teach me good judgment and knowledge, for I believe in
your commandments. - Psalms 119:66



Pray
Faith
Affirmations

Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to
turn away from evil is understanding. - Job 28:28

Praying for Forgiveness of Sins



Praise
God

But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was
crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the
chastisement that brought us peace, and with his
stripes we are healed. - Isaiah 53:5



Confess
Sin

I have sinned greatly in what I have done. But now,
O LORD, please take away the iniquity of your
servant, for I have done very foolishly.
2 Samuel 24:10

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer? Pablo



2. What is their most pressing need? Trust the forgiveness Christ offers

3. How does God's word address this need? God will not turn his face away
from the repentant! - 2 Chron 30:9



Pray
the
Promises

The LORD your God is gracious and merciful and will not turn away his face from you, if you return to him.
2 Chronicles 30:9



Pray
Scripture
Prayers

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared. - Psalms 130:3-4



Pray
Faith
Affirmations

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.
Psalms 32:5

Praying for Protection from Enemies



Praise
God

All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and he does according to his will among the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand or say to him,

“What have you done?” - Daniel 4:35



Confess
Sin

O LORD, the God of Israel, you are just, for we are left a remnant that has escaped, as it is today.

Behold, we are before you in our guilt, for none can stand before you because of this. - Ezra 9:15

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer?



Believers in a country under threat

2. What is their most pressing need? Faith, perseverance, protection

3. How does God's word address this need? God's promised protection



Pray
the
Promises

He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage, for many are arrayed against me.

Psalms 55:18



Pray
Scripture
Prayers

We are powerless against this great horde that is coming against us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you. - 2 Chronicles 20:12



Pray
Faith
Affirmations

Rejoice not over me, O my enemy; when I fall, I shall rise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD will be a light to me. - Micah 7:8

Praying for a Church Meeting



Praise
God

From you comes my praise in the great congregation.

Psalms 22:25



Confess
Sin

Though our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against you. - Jeremiah 14:7

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer? Our church



2. What is their most pressing need?

Know God's transforming love in the gospel

3. How does God's word address this need?

Revelation of the gospel thru the Spirit - Eph 3:14



Pray
the
Promises

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



Pray
Scripture
Prayers

That you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. - Ephesians 3:17b-19



Pray
Faith
Affirmations

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. - Psalms 111:1

Praying for Your Pastor



Praise
God



The Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it
to whom he will and sets over it the lowliest of men.
Daniel 4:17



Confess
Sin

O our God, listen to the prayer of your servant and to
his pleas for mercy, and for your own sake, O Lord,
make your face to shine upon your sanctuary, which
is desolate. - Daniel 9:17

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer? Pastor Sasha  
2. What is their most pressing need? How to teach and lead us
3. How does God's word address this need?
God gives shepherds to his church who will feed them! Jer 3:15



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the
Promises

I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will
feed you with knowledge and understanding.
Jeremiah 3:15

Who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant,
not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the
Spirit gives life. - 2 Corinthians 3:6



Pray
Scripture
Prayers

There are many who say, "Who will show us some
good? Lift up the light of your face upon us, O
LORD!" - Psalms 4:6

I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you
keep them from the evil one. - John 17:15



Pray
Faith
Affirmations

Behold, God is with us at our head.
2 Chronicles 13:12

Praying for the Spread of the Gospel



Praise
God

All things were created through him and for him.

Colossians 1:16

You were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.

Revelation 5:9



Confess
Sin

We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, and the iniquity of our fathers, for we have sinned against

you. Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. - Jeremiah 14:20-21

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer? My university friends



Kayoosh, Antoine, Chris, Adebowale, and Yanna

2. What is their most pressing need?

Understand and believe the gospel, know the living God

3. How does God's word address this need? Gods commitment to revealing

Himself and His glory among the nations - Mal 1:11



Pray
the
Promises

For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name will be great among the nations, and in every place incense will be offered to my name, and a pure offering. For my name will be great among the nations, says the LORD of hosts. - Malachi 1:11



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Prayers

What will you do for your great name? - Joshua 7:9
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth! - Psalms 108:5



Pray
Faith
Affirmations

But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.
Acts 20:24

Praying for Revival



Praise
God



O Lord GOD, you have only begun to show your servant
your greatness and your mighty hand. For what god is
there in heaven or on earth who can do such works and
mighty acts as yours? - Deuteronomy 3:24



Confess
Sin

And now, O our God, what shall we say after this?
For we have forsaken your commandments. And after
all that has come upon us for our evil deeds and for
our great guilt, seeing that you, our God, have punished us less
than our iniquities deserved. - Ezra 9:10, 13

Three Questions

1. Who is the focus of this prayer? Churches in Canada  .
2. What is their most pressing need? New sight of Gods holiness, real life
3. How does God's word address this need? Outpoured Spirit - Isa 32:15



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the
Promises

Until the Spirit is poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness becomes a fruitful field, and the fruitful field is deemed a forest. - Isaiah 32:15



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Prayers

Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us! Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations? Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? - Psalms 85:4-6



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You will arise and have pity on Zion; it is the time to favor her; the appointed time has come. Psalms 102:13



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