21 DAYS OF PRAYER GUIDE

I. WEEK ONE: EXAMINE OUR HEARTS

DAY ONE

A PRAYER FOR SURRENDER

Luke 9:23-25 (NIV) "Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. 24 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. 25 What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?

Encouragement: For these next 21 days, we are seeking to know God more and be transformed from the inside out to become more like Him. This journey of true discipleship starts with a posture of <u>surrender</u>: we are all-in, yielded to His will, following His way, dying to ourselves so that Jesus can make us fully alive with Him.

<u>Prayer</u>: "Thank you, Lord Jesus, for teaching us what it means to surrender. You are an example of how to be humble and how to submit our will to God. Today I pray like Jesus and say Father not my will, but Your will be done in my life. As I start each day, help me to decrease as Christ is increased in my life. May Your plans prevail and be established in my life. I want to live a life that pleases You Lord and brings honor to Your name. In Jesus name I pray. Amen."

DAY TWO

A PRAYER FOR INSPIRATION

Luke 17:5-6 (NIV) "The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" 6 He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you."

Encouragement: God's will and His way are infinitely beyond our natural human capacity to perceive and comprehend; He is able to do immeasurably more than all that we ask or can even think of! This is why we ask the Holy Spirit to inspire us from His perspective, teaching us how to increase our faith so that we can more fully see and more deeply trust His plans to do unimaginable things.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Lord, I love and adore You. Thank You for everything You have done and continue to do for me, more than I can ever dare to imagine. I give you thanks for daily inspiration in this world of blockages and hindrances. Thank you, Jesus, that I have the utmost pleasure of walking in Your righteousness. Help me to be truly inspired by all that Jesus did. In areas that I am lacking, it is my prayer that You would transform and renew my mind. Show me miracles in everything Lord and help me to be encouraged. I want to be inspired to do all that You have purposed for me. Amen.

DAY THREE

A PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

Romans 12:2 (ESV) "Do not be conformed to this world,3but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Encouragement: As a church, our mission is to lead people into an authentic, life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ; however, we cannot be faithful ambassadors of God's restoration for our friends, communities, and our world unless we ourselves are transformed by Him from the inside out. Today, we come to Jesus-the Living Water-and ask Him to fill our hearts so that we overflow as channels of His powerful, life-giving presence.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Lord God, We come before you today seeking your transformative power in our lives. We ask that you help us to see the areas of our lives that need to be changed and that you would give us the strength and courage to make those changes. Help us to be humble enough to accept your help, and wise enough to follow your guidance. I pray that You will transform my unrighteous desires. Make me strong so I can withstand temptation. Transform my thoughts so they will release judgment and grudges I may hold. I invite You and Your power to sanctify my life. In Jesus name I pray, Amen.

DAY FOUR

A PRAYER FOR COURAGE

Acts 6:8 (NIV) "Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people."

Encouragement: The book of Acts tells story after story of natural people who saw healings, miracles, and bold evangelism unfold before their very eyes and through their very hands. We ask God to give us courage to pray these daring prayers, and then fill us with His grace and power to play our part in supernatural testimonies of who He is.

<u>Prayer</u>: Almighty God, who gives strength to the weak and upholds those who might fall, give me courage to do what is right, for those that trust in you have no need to fear. Make me courageous to face any danger that may threaten me. Give me the help that you have promised to those who ask it, that I may overcome my fears and go boldly forward. Fill me with courage, that nothing which is my duty to do, may be too hard for me. Let me put my trust in your power and goodness. Thank you, my Lord. Amen.

DAY FIVE

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Philippians 4:4-7 (NIV) "Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Encouragement: Do you have the peace of God in your current circumstances? Rejoice no matter your situation. Pray for wisdom and be grateful for what you do have. Trust God and reject anxiety. Walk in peace knowing that the God of all creation loves you as the pinnacle of His creation.

<u>Prayer</u>: Lord, I come before you ready to pour out my worries, anxieties, and fears at Your feet. I am claiming and declaring Your promises for blessings of peace and strength over my life. Bring peace into my soul that passes all worldly understanding and make me a light for others to see Your strength. In Jesus, name I pray, Amen.

DAY SIX

A PRAYER FOR COMPASSION (LOVE)

Matthew 9:36 (NASB) "Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd."

Encouragement: What breaks the heart of our Lord? Seeing man living without Him. Jesus experienced a pain in His stomach as He witnessed those without a relationship with His Father. They were inwardly troubled, lacking peace with God. They were hopeless and without direction. How do you view those apart from God? Pray for the Lord to give you His eyes to see the spiritual condition of man. Pray for God to give you His compassion for those far from Him.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Lord, may I have the capacity to love fully and completely. May I be able to see the beauty in all people, even those who are difficult to love. Help me to see the needs of others and to respond with kindness and love. May I have compassion for myself and others, and may I always act with kindness and understanding. Amen.

DAY SEVEN

A PRAYER FOR OBEDIENCE

Acts 13:22 (TLB) "But God removed him and replaced him with David as king, a man about whom God said, 'David (son of Jesse) is a man after my own heart, for he will obey me."

Encouragement: Throughout this week, we have been asking the Lord to transform our hearts, so that we become more and more like Him from the inside out. Our sincere prayer is to be known as people who have hearts after God's heart, who worship Him in spirit and in truth by wholeheartedly saying yes and following through with obedience to anything and everything He asks of us.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Heavenly Father, I want to live godly in Christ Jesus and I ask that You help me to develop an attitude of obedience to Your will and an increasing trust in Your Word. Help me to grow in grace, and to develop the right godly practice and scripture purpose in life, so that You are lifted up in my heart and glorified in all I do. May I learn to praise You without ceasing and to develop an attitude of prayerfulness – and help me to be obedient to carry out all that I am called to do as a child of God – so that You increase as I decrease. Amen

II. WEEK TWO: OUR CHURCH

DAY EIGHT

A PRAYER FOR THE VISION OF THE CHURCH

Habakkuk 2:2-3 (ESV) "And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay."

Encouragement: Our church Vision is to "Reach, Teach, Connect, and Transform lives to Christ." We believe that God want us Find God through church attendance, Sunday School and Bible Study. We believe that God want us to Grow in our Faith, Discover our Purpose, by being involved in ministry and we believe that God want us to Make a Difference in the lives of others and the community. So, Come go deeper, live forward as we strive to fulfill vision of our church.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Father God, we desire as a church to take hold of the vision You have for us and pray that You would lead and guide us to take a collective step of faith in the direction that You would have us go. Help us we pray, to grasp the church vision that You have for us, and may we be sensitive to Your leading and guidance. Prevent us from seeking to implement our own inferior ideas, or substitute our own manmade notions for Your plans and purposes. Draw us closer to each other and to You, as we seek Your face together in prayer. May we be strengthened in the inner man, united together in the unity of the faith and prompted to carry out Your plans and purposes to Your greater glory. We pray that the church vision that emerges in our hearts, will have been prompted by the Holy Spirit, for the edification of the saints and to Your praise and glory. This we ask in Jesus' name Amen.

DAY NINE

A PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Acts 20:28 (ESV) "Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood."

Encouragement: Praying for the local church is crucial because it is our duty as Christians and a way to keep unity and peace within the church family. We should also express our gratitude and praise to God for how He works in our church. We can also ask God to help us make sure that we are using our spiritual gifts in the best way to help the church grow.

<u>Prayer</u>: Heavenly Father, I pray that You help the Church be in the world without being of the world. Especially as divisions grow in our society, I pray that the Church can be present, inclusive, and open to all and not secluded and closed off. Please give confidence and wisdom to those in charge and encouragement to all to dig into Your word. You, God, are the answer. Let us find our truth in You and share it with those around us. Help us connect with those who are unconnected from You. Amen.

DAY TEN

A PRAYER FOR WORSHIP

Psalm 95:1-2, 6 (ESV) "Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! 2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! 6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

Encouragement: Worship is not limited to songs and creative expressions, but Scripture clearly shows how worship often consecrates an environment to be an extraordinary "thin space" where heaven meets earth-in an awe-striking foretaste of not only the glory and holiness of God's presence but also His ultimate sovereignty and victory. Jesus already won the victory over every form of darkness and death, and we pray that our In-Person, Online worship. Choirs and Media teams would be inspired and empowered to lead His church into spiritual battle with songs of trust to endure the deepest night hour, and songs of deliverance that set the stage for God to bring supernatural breakthrough.

<u>Prayer</u>: "Lord, I choose to praise and worship You today. You know how to break through the difficulties in my life. I choose not to be overwhelmed with circumstances, but instead I choose to behold your beauty and greatness. I choose to say blessed be Your name. You are my victorious God. I will praise Your name and proclaim Your salvation day after day. I will declare Your glory among the nations, Your marvelous deeds among all peoples (Psalm 96:1-3). I will sing to the Lord a new song.

Teach me to ascend to Your throne room in worship and then descend back into the harvest field here on earth, praying and warring for victory in every area of life. Help me to have a lifestyle of worship, thanking You in every situation. I believe that worshipping You is a key to breakthrough in every area of my life. I believe in the power of worshipping You. I know that Your truth dwells in a worshipping heart. I offer You a sacrifice of praise right now. Blessed be the name of the Lord. In Jesus' name, amen."

DAY ELEVEN

A PRAYER FOR THE PASTOR AND CHURCH LEADERS

Ephesians 4:11-16 (NIV) "So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. 14 Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. 15 Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. 16 From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."

<u>Encouragement</u>: Today, we pray for each of our Pastor, Asst. Pastor and Church Leaders who have been entrusted with various roles in building God's church and cultivating God's people so that we can be an ever more fruitful field. We pray that they would be sustained with grace to work carefully with servant-hearted faithfulness, while trusting that God alone is the foundation on which they and the church rests, and that His Spirit ultimately is responsible for the growth of His people.

Alongside our Pastors, our a circle of deacons, deaconess, trustee's and department head leaders who give their service, encouragement, wisdom, and care to our church family. We are so grateful for them, and we

pray that they would pursue Jesus more passionately and strive to look more like Him each day, so that those who look to their example of discipleship are also transformed into the image of Christ-the ultimate and perfect leader of His church.

<u>Prayer</u>: Our Father who is in heaven, Holy is your name. Lord, I thank you for your righteousness, strength, and wisdom. Lord, I know that you have called every single one of your children for a specific purpose and that you have graced them to walk in that purpose. Father right now, I lift up my pastors. God, I thank you for the vision that you have given them for our church. I thank you that I get to be part of the community in which you are building. I ask that you send your angels to cover and protect my leadership. Give them strength, power, and understanding to teach your Word and to do so in a way that drives religion out and brings your relationship with you back as the center point.

God, I pray that my pastors would operate in wisdom when it comes to counseling and assisting your people. Give them wisdom the way you gave Solomon wisdom so that they would know how to lead your people justly and rightly. Lord, surround them with relationships with people they can trust and can be accountable to. Surround them with people to encourage them in your way. Lord, we know that pastoring is not an easy endeavor, so, grace them all the more to do the work of the ministry for which you have called them.

God, give them peace, strength, and let a refreshing fall over their hearts so that they can continue to go forth in your power and might. Finally, Lord, give them clear direction and revelation about the direction for this church. Protect them from those who would desire to harm them and steer them off course. Give them sharp discernment. Flow prophetically through them Lord, so that your Holy Spirit would make manifest the glory of God in their lives, in their relationships, and in the church that you are leading them to raise up. Lord, thank you for my pastors and the sacrifice that they give for my spiritual growth and maturity. I love and honor my leadership, Father. Thank you for leading me to them. In Jesus' name, I pray, amen.

DAY TWELVE

A PRAYER FOR DEVOTED SERVANTS

II Timothy 2:1-7 (NIV) "You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this."

Encouragement: Are you a personal disciple maker? Who are you investing in that will produce gospel impact when you are gone? It's not too late to make a focused effort to invest in the most precious resource God gave us — people. May God grant you power and wisdom to model the life of a genuine Christ-follower that seeks to replicate that experience in the lives of others.

<u>Prayer</u>: Lord, I want to be your servant. Help me to be more concerned with the welfare of others than with my own. May I love neighbors, other believers and demonstrate that love through words and most importantly through deeds. And, Lord, when my actions reflect Your love and Your grace, may the world

see You through me. Give me the heart of a servant, tender and faithful and true. Fill me with love, than use me, O Lord, so that the whole world can see You In Jesus name, I pray. Amen.

DAY THIRTEEN

A PRAYER FOR UNITY

Psalm 133:1 (ESV) "Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity"

<u>Encouragement</u>: The purpose for walking worthy is onefold—Unity. Believers are to work at keeping the peace so that they can stay bound together in the unity of God's Spirit. Jesus Christ has broken down all walls and barriers existing between men.

<u>Prayer</u>: Heavenly Father, hear my prayer for unity, that we may all love each other as you first loved us. May we act with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience toward one another, living in unity with you. May we lay down our swords, set aside our grievances, and forgive each other as you forgave us. Lord, lead us to take what you've given us – love, mercy, grace, forgiveness – and spread those in this world, lavishing them upon others in our lives. May your love bind us together in perfect unity. All this I pray through your Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

DAY FOURTEEN

A PRAYER OF HUMILITY

James 4:6-7 (NLT) "And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

Encouragement: We learn in the Word of God, that humility is essential for establishing a right relationship with God and other people. Humility is also necessary for maintaining a proper perception of ourselves. God's greatest servants are those who seek only to exalt Jesus Christ. When Jesus came on the scene, John the Baptist faded into the background, letting Christ alone be magnified. John knew that being least in God's kingdom is what makes one great.

<u>Prayer</u>: Lord there are times I struggle so much with pride. My arrogance is my biggest downfall, and I know not what to do about it. I want to swallow my pride and to become more like You. Bring me a newfound humility. Let the scales fall from my heart so that I can keep my pride in check. Lord, in Your mercy, hear my prayer. Amen.

DAY FIFTEEN

A PRAYER FOR STEADFASTNESS

John 15:4-5 (NIV) "Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

Encouragement: The key to long-term gospel effectiveness and blessing is to abide in Christ. The word "abide" in the Greek means to "remain or stay put, connected." Today, you may be tempted to run or retreat. It's time to stand in confidence and advance. The Lord of Hosts is by your side and a lost world needs to see Jesus through believers just like you.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Lord, please give me your strength to remain a steadfast Christian. Enable me to keep irresistible faith in the time of persecution. Strengthen my mind not to fall into Satan's temptations. Empower me through your Holy Spirit to live an acceptable life before you always, so that I can receive your benefits in this world and in heaven also. For in the name of Jesus Christ I pray. Amen.

DAY SIXTEEN

PRAYER FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

Psalm 145:4 (MSG) "Generation after generation stands in awe of your work; each one tells stories of your mighty acts."

Encouragement: Today, we pray that the next generation-kids, teens, and young adults-would recognize that their identity is defined by unconditional belonging, meaningful value, and impactful purpose within the family of God. We pray that they would recognize that they carry a significant weight of glory because they bear the image of their heavenly Father, and that they would spend all their passion and ability to worship Him and return all the glory to Him.

<u>Prayer</u>: Lord, I pray that You would raise up a generation of children that would fear You greatly! Lord, I'm scared about where our country is headed. Many bad decisions are affecting our kids. Sin is not a scary word anymore. Father, our kids need to know to fight for what's right and I pray that You would use me to help Your cause to raise a generation of young people that will continue to fight for You! I love You! Amen

DAY SEVENTEEN

A PRAYER FOR COMMITMENT

Acts 2:42 (ESV) "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

Encouragement: Commitment means pledging oneself to something or to someone else, with dedication and loyalty. Making a commitment, is making a promise, a vow, a pledge, and an obligation, binding oneself. Each day is a new opportunity to follow through on your commitments and make progress in your journey. We all have those moments when we want to give up when we feel like it's too difficult, or that the reward isn't worth the effort.

<u>Prayer</u>: Lord, I pray the Prayer of Commitment, Dedication, Consecration, and Submission. In every area of my life, I belong to You. Lord, I'll go where you want me to go, I'll do what you want me to do. Not my will, but your will be done. Thank you, Father that you work in me both to will and to do of your good pleasure. You have a good plan for my life, a plan of peace and joy.

DAY EIGHTEEN

A PRAYER FOR MISSION AND OUTREACH

John 3:16, 17 (NKJV) "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."

Encouragement: The mission of God, as evidenced throughout the Scriptures, is that all of God's human creation will see redemption through the willing sacrifice of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, by placing their trust in him for salvation and deliverance from their sins. Our goal mission is to go beyond the wall of our church to reach the lost.

<u>Prayer</u>: Almighty God, You gave Your people an assignment to fulfill here on earth. You said to them "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. Lord I pray that this is will be the mission of our church. I ask that You keep our hearts and minds open so that we willingly seek to touch those outside the four walls of the church; those who do not know You, Amen.

DAY NINETEEN

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

II Peter 3:18 (NIV) "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen."

Encouragement: Spiritual growth can be defined as simply growing and maturing in our knowledge and relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. Spiritual growth is essential for every believer. Jesus did not call us to only believe in Him. He called us to be students of His Word. As we grow in the knowledge of the Lord, our faith begins to strengthen. Our will begins to align itself with the will of God. It is important for us as believers to grow spiritually so we can be effective in our God-given calling.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Lord, this life is a wonderful opportunity to experience Your love and enjoy You forever. Do not allow me to become complacent but let me have an insatiable desire to grow in Your love and grace. Fill my life with the joy of Your Spirit and let me grow tall and strong in You, through Christ, my Lord. Amen.

DAY TWENTY

A PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

I Corinthians 13:4-7 (NIV) "Love is patient, love is kind, it isn't jealous, it doesn't brag, it isn't arrogant, it isn't rude, it doesn't seek its own advantage, it isn't irritable, it doesn't keep a record of complaints, it isn't happy with injustice, but it is happy with the truth. Love puts up with all things, trusts in all things, hopes for all things, endures all things."

Encouragement: The family unit is like a learning lab where we get to test our ability to love. God-like loving is tested heavily with the family because they know us best—the good, the bad, and the ugly! Loving those that are closest to us allows us to hone a life-giving skill that can be shared with the world.

<u>Prayer</u>: Lord, I want to thank You for this precious family of mine. For the talents and good things that You have given each of us. Please keep us united, and our bond strong as the days pass. Please guide us, protect us and equip us to do Your will each and every day. Thank You for all that You are, and all that You have given us.

DAY TWENTY-ONE

A PRAYER FOR STRENGTH

II Timothy 2:1 (ESV) "You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus,"

Encouragement: The strength of men is no stronger than man, and man ends up in the dust of the ground. His strength ceases to be. Like Timothy we need unlimited strength, a strength that could drive us to conquer any circumstance and to work at any task until it is accomplished. That strength could come from only one source, and Paul knew that strength is the strength of God.

The point is this, we must do just what Paul told Timothy to do. We must be strong, not strong in our own strength, but strong in the grace (favor) of Christ.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Lord, Your Word says that when we wait on You, You will renew our strength (Isaiah 40:31). Although my strength is depleted, I am choosing to rest and spend time in Your presence, recharging my battery. I refuse to run myself ragged, listening to the voice of the enemy that I should just try harder or work longer. I trust in Your infinite capacity of strength. It will never run out. Thank You for working in my weakness and pouring Your strength into me. In Jesus' name, amen.

ADDITIONAL PRAYER TOPIC YOU CAN SUBSTITUTE

A PRAYER FOR MOTIVATION

I Peter 2:9 (NASB) "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light..."

Encouragement: What is your motive for being a Christian or a believer of the Lord Jesus Christ? Are you coming to Jesus for health, money or anything else? We please God in our life and labor for him in order

to be rewarded. Christ's judgment is coming, and He will evaluate our work and that motivates us. In Acts Chapter 1 when Jesus wanted to motivate the disciples to go out and preach, when He said, "you are my witnesses," the angels said, "this same Jesus who is taken up from you shall so come in like manner as you've seen Him go." That's motive. Jesus is coming and He's coming to reward those who've faithfully served Him. This motivated Paul.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear Lord, I thank You for being the creator of motivation and determination. So Father, I pray that although it seems hard at times, I will remember that You in Your mercy have made a way for me. Nothing is impossible with You; therefore, I choose not to give up. I choose to not be shaken by what I see or feel in the moment. So Lord, I thank You Lord for motivation, determination, compassion and Your divine nature. Amen.

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

I Thessalonians 5:18(NIV) "give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Encouragement: Many times, we pray the same prayers as if it were out of obligation. Remember, we are interacting with a Holy God who loves you deeply, sacrificed for you greatly, and cares for every detail of your life. Take time today to thank God for all your blessings. You can share even the most painful requests or needs with Him because He genuinely loves you and desires to meet with you.

<u>Prayer</u>: Dear God, thank You for Your amazing power and work in our lives, thank You for Your goodness and for Your blessings over us. Thank You for Your great love and care. Thank You for Your sacrifice so that we might have freedom and life. Forgive us for when we don't thank You enough, for who You are, for all that You do, for all that You've given. Help us to set our eyes and our hearts on You afresh. Renew our spirits, fill us with Your peace and joy. We love You and we need You, this day and every day. We give You praise and thanks, for You alone are worthy. In Jesus Name, Amen.

A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION

Job 1:10 (NIV) "Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has? You have blessed the work of his hands, so that his flocks and herds are spread throughout the land."

Encouragement: In Matthew 6:13 Jesus uses the phrase, "deliver us from evil." Pray today for a spiritual hedge of protection for yourself, your family, and your ministry. God is for you!

<u>Prayer</u>: Father, I want to live in the shadow of Your wing. When life is hard, and I don't know what to do, help me remember that You are with me and that I am never alone. I cannot live without You. I cannot face tomorrow without the promise of Your presence. Today I choose to walk and live under the protection of You, The Most High. In Jesus' name. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

Colossians 3:13 (TLB) "Be gentle and ready to forgive; never hold grudges. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others."

Encouragement: Forgiveness and grace are the foundation of Christianity and what sets Christianity apart from any other religion. Forgiveness is not often easy—forgiving others or asking Christ to forgive us—yet it is the very reason Jesus gave his life on the cross. When we offer and receive forgiveness, we experience God's forgiveness more fully, and can enjoy relationships without being hindered by the hard feelings that come from holding a grudge.

<u>Prayer</u>: Heavenly Father, thank You for forgiving me and bringing me back into relationship with You. Thank You for sending Your Son to die on the cross to show us the true meaning of forgiveness. Help me to show that same forgiveness to others, so they can see You living in me. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Prayer for Refreshment

Prayer for Faith

Prayer for Healing and Deliverance

Prayer for Boldness

Prayer for Children and Youth

Prayer for Comfort

Prayer for your Needs

Prayer for the Presence of God

Prayer for Hope

Prayer for the Government and Community

Prayer for Rest

Prayer for Work and School

GUIDES TO PRAYER

The secret of praying is praying. To help guide your prayer us the acronym A.C.T.S. A.C.T.S. (Spend time on each of the categories of A.C.T.S. as you pray.)

<u>Adoration</u> – worship or honor God as God. Giving God "credit" for being God.

<u>Confession</u> – Being real with God and admitting to sin. Asking and accepting forgiveness.

Thanksgiving – Seeing God at work in your life and the life of others and offer thanks.

<u>Supplication</u> – asking humbly and earnestly for your concerns and for the concerns of others.