

Prayers III

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Introduction

The seasons of life bring us into many different circumstances as God in His grace begins to conform us to the image of Jesus Christ. From the time that we are justified freely by His grace, through faith in Jesus Christ alone, we find ourselves on a journey of faith, a journey of trusting and obeying Him.

In the events of my own life, I have found that the Holy Spirit directs me into His Word, to pray His Word for the answer. He gives me strategies to break barriers and bring people into His Presence.

Prayers III follows *Prayers* and *Prayers II* along the path of praise and faith toward God. As Mary Craig Ministries stands in the front lines of battle, God has provided His Word to overcome many obstacles, including things that devour, things that destroy, and things that divide.

It is my prayer for you that these prayers will greatly bless your life. I hope that as you seek the Lord God you will be set free, moving beyond healing into the destiny that is yours in Christ. As you hear the call of the Father to look and live, as you hear the call of the Son to come and die, and as you hear the call of the Holy Spirit to rise and reign, may you be blessed.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the mercy of our God be with you.

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THE LANGUAGE OF THE BODY IN PRAYER

When God communicates to us, it is to us as whole persons. He speaks to the whole and heals the whole person. We, too, are to communicate to God with our whole selves. I am talking about body language and the language of the body in prayer.

Every believer can enhance his/her times of communication and communion with God by shaping prayer with the language of the body:

1. **On our faces.** This position demonstrates deep humility. Consider Jesus. “Going a little farther, He fell with His face to the ground and prayed, ‘My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from Me. Yet not as I will, but as You will.’” (Mt. 26.39) Jesus, who is God, took the posture of humility, making Himself nothing as the Servant-Savior. (See Philippians 2.6, 7.)
2. **On our knees.** Bowing and kneeling are customary postures of deference before nobility or royalty. Philippians 2.10 tells us 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.” Scripture tells us to kneel before the Lord our Maker because we are in the presence of majesty.
3. **On our backs.** This posture suggests wonder and willingness, the expectation of receiving, the vulnerability of defenselessness. It is a position of trust, of confidence that God will not harm, of openness and honesty.
4. **On our feet with arms up.** This posture can fill us with the sensation of joy and praise, especially when we stretch our arms to the sky, lift up our heads, and open our eyes to the Lord of heaven and earth. See 1 Timothy 2.8. Moses lifted his hands at the Red Sea as he cooperated with the miracle God was working. (Ex. 14.21) He held up his hands in battle against the Amalekites (Ex. 17.8-13). Praying with hands in the air is a gesture of supplication, triumph, celebration, and/or praise. It is a “YES!” Our God reigns.

5. **Walking about.** In times of great battle in prayer, in times of deep reflection, we may stride about the room and pray out loud. “But those who wait upon the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not faint.” (Isaiah 40.31)
6. **Heads lifted up.** The call of the Father is “Look and live.” Our heads bow under conviction and condemnation of sin, but as we see the Savior of our souls, as we experience the forgiveness of our sins, our heads are raised by God’s grace. We look up, basking and receiving the grace, love, favor, and help we need as we gaze into the countenance of God.
7. **Arms outstretched.** You might find yourself praying with your arms outstretched, as though imitating the position of Christ on the cross. In this position you will begin to identify in small measure with the suffering of Jesus and the call of the Son to “Come and die.” 2 Timothy 2.11 says, “if we died with Him, we will also live with Him.”
8. **Moving as the Holy Spirit leads.** The call of the Holy Spirit is “Rise and reign.” As you submit to the Holy Spirit as His prayer vessel, you learn to be sensitive and obedient to the Spirit, putting your whole body into your prayer. You may “dance” in the Spirit in praise and worship, “run” in the Spirit as light pursues and penetrates darkness, “birth” in the Spirit as God brings forth His works of righteousness, “travail” in the Spirit as God brings repentance and lamentation over sin, “war” in the Spirit, etc.

I encourage you to be free, open, honest, submitted, and surrendered to the Holy Spirit. Remember, we pray to the Father, through the Son, empowered by the Holy Spirit. What are we? Yielded and dead to sin, vessels and bodies prepared by God to bring His will to earth from heaven.

May God bless you as you grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

A PRAYER OF SURRENDER

Heavenly Father,

As one who has received Your mercy by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, I faint not. I renounce the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully. I preach not myself, but Christ Jesus the Lord, for God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, has shined in my heart, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But I have this treasure in an earthen vessel, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of myself. (2 Corinthians 4.1-7) We who live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh. Death works in us, but life in others. (2 Corinthians 4.11, 12)

I believe, and therefore, have I spoken, knowing that He which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise me up also by Jesus. All things are for the sake of the elect that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God. I look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. (2 Corinthians 4.13-18)

The love of Christ constrains me; because I judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead; and that He died for all, that I which live should not henceforth live unto myself, but unto Him which died for me, and rose again. Wherefore, I now know no one after the flesh: yes, though I have known Christ after the flesh, yet now know I Christ no more. If I be in Christ, I am a new creature; old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who has reconciled me to Himself by Jesus Christ, and has given to me the ministry of reconciliation; to wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and has committed unto me the word of reconciliation. I am an ambassador for Christ, as though God did beseech others by me. I pray that I receive not the grace of God in vain. (2 Corinthians 5.14-20; 6.1)

I reckon myself to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ my Lord. Let not sin reign in my mortal body, that I should obey the lusts thereof. Neither let me yield my members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but let me yield myself unto God, as one alive from the dead, and my members as instruments of righteousness unto God. For sin shall not have dominion over me: for I am not under the law, but under grace. I am servant to what I obey, but as made free from sin, I become the servant of righteousness unto holiness. (Romans 6.11-19)

By the mercies of God, I present my body a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is my reasonable service and spiritual worship. I determine not to be conformed to this world: but to be transformed by the renewing of my mind, that I may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God. (Romans 12.1, 2) I

subject myself unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. I render to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor. I owe no one any thing, but to love one another: for the one that loves another has fulfilled the law. (Romans 13. 1, 7, 8)

I give myself first to the Lord, and unto my spiritual leaders by the will of God. As the sincerity of my love be tested, I know the grace of my Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for my sake He became poor, that I through His poverty might be rich. (2 Corinthians 8.5, 8, 9)

Let me not be deceived. God is not mocked: for whatsoever one sows, that shall one also reap. If I sow to the flesh, I shall of the flesh reap corruption. If I sow to the Spirit, I shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. Let me not grow weary in well doing: for in due season I shall reap, if I faint not. As I have therefore opportunity, let me do good to all, especially unto those of the household of faith. God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of my Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. Indeed, I am a new creature in Christ. (Galatians 6.7-15)

I choose to follow God today and walk in love, as Christ also has loved me, and has given Himself for me an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savor. (Ephesians 5.1, 2) I am bold to speak the word without fear. I am set for the defence of the gospel. Whatever happens shall turn to my salvation through the prayers of the saints and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ. I shall not be ashamed in anything, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. (Philippians 1.14-21)

What things were gain to me, those I count loss for Christ. I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, but that which is through the faith of Christ: that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death; if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. I apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. (Philippians 3.7-12) I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: everywhere and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me. (Philippians 4.11-13)

In everything I give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning me (1 Thessalonians 5.18). May the Lord direct my heart into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ (2 Thessalonians 3.5). I submit myself to God and resist the devil that he may flee from me. I draw nigh to God, cleanse my hands, and purify my heart, that I be not double-minded. I humble myself in the sight of the Lord, that He may lift me up. (James 4.7, 8, 10)

As an obedient child, I do not fashion myself according to former lusts in ignorance: but as He which has called me is holy, so may I be holy in all manner of conversation. I pass the time of my sojourning here in fear, for I know that I was not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from my vain way of life received by tradition from my fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. By Him do I believe in God, that raised Him up from the dead, and gave Him glory; that my faith and hope might be in God. I purify my soul in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, loving others with a pure heart fervently. I am born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which lives and abides forever. (1 Peter 1.14-23)

I submit myself to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by Him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well. It is the will of God that with well doing I put to silence the ignorance of foolish men as the servant of God. I honor all people, love my brothers and sisters in Christ, fear God, and honor the king. I submit to those in authority over me as one with a conscience toward God because Christ suffered for me, leaving me an example, that I should follow His steps. He committed Himself to the One who judges righteously, and so do I. (1 Peter 2.13-22)

This is how I know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down His life for me. And I ought to lay down my life for my brothers. If I have material possessions and see my brother in need but have no pity on him, how can the love of God be in me? (1 John 3.16, 17)

I overcome by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of my testimony; and I love not my life unto the death (Revelation 12.11). Indeed, I surrender my life to Jesus Christ, whose I am and whom I serve. I am one who has been bought with a price. My life is not my own (1 Corinthians 6.20). I rejoice in the Lord my God this day and every day.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE HUMAN SPIRIT

Holy Father,

I know that You are the Father of spirits (Numbers 16.22; Hebrews 12.9). Your word says that “all the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weighs the spirits” (Proverbs 16.2). “For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” (Hebrews 4.12)

Therefore, I come to You to receive grace (Galatians 6.18; Philemon 1.25; 2 Timothy 4.22). I ask that You give me a new spirit (Ezekiel 36.26, 27; 39.29), one that seeks you early (Isaiah 26.9). Make me of a broken heart and a contrite spirit (Psalm 34.18). Create in me a clean heart and renew a right spirit within me (Psalm 51.10). Forgive me for my stubbornness and rebellion, and make me a steadfast spirit (Psalm 78.8), a faithful spirit (Proverbs 11.13).

I ask that the Spirit strengthen me with might in the inner man (Ephesians 3.16), that I be renewed in the spirit of my mind (Ephesians 4.23).

I ask that my spirit not fail (Psalm 143, Isaiah 57.15-19). Loose my spirit from its being ensnared (Psalm 142). Heal any breach in the spirit (Proverbs 15.4), wounds to the spirit (Proverbs 18.14). Speak the word of healing (Isaiah 38.15, 16; Isaiah 42.5).

Let the Holy Spirit bear witness to my spirit that I am the child of God (Romans 8.16). Let me be joined unto the Lord and one spirit with Him (1 Corinthians 6.17). Grant me grace to glorify God in my body and in my spirit, which are God’s (1 Corinthians 6.20), that I might be holy in body and in spirit (1 Corinthians 7.34). Let me cleanse myself from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God (2 Corinthians 7.1). Let me worship You in spirit and in truth (John 4.23, 24; Philippians 3.3). Let there be no guile in the spirit (Psalm 32.2).

Heal my spirit of anguish, sorrow, sadness, vexation, restlessness, and pride. Let my spirit not be overwhelmed (Psalm 77.3). Let not my spirit fail as when You hide Your face (Psalm 143.7), or faint (Ezekiel 21.7), or err (Isaiah 29.14), but let my spirit discern (1 Corinthians 2.14), perceive (Mark 2.8), and wax strong (Luke 1.80).

I commit my spirit into Your hands (Psalm 31.5) and ask that You grant me the grace and power to rule my spirit (Proverbs 16.32; Proverbs 25.28). Inasmuch as Zechariah 12.1 says that You form the spirit of man within him, and Jesus said “that which is born of Spirit is spirit,” (John 3.6), I ask for grace to take heed to my spirit (Malachi 2.15, 16). Let my spirit make diligent search (Psalm 77.6). Let my spirit be

humble (Proverbs 16.19), patient (Ecclesiastes 7.8), excellent (Proverbs 17.27; Daniel 5.12), refreshed (1 Corinthians 16.18; 2 Corinthians 7.13), meek and quiet (1 Peter 3.4). Revive my spirit (Luke 8.55). Stir up my spirit to do Your will (Haggai 1.14, Acts 17.16). Make me fervent in spirit (Acts 18.25; Romans 12.11) that I might serve You.

Cause my spirit to rejoice (Luke 1.47, 10.21), to speak mysteries unto God (1 Corinthians 14.2), to pray and sing and bless (1 Corinthians 14.14-16). Let me rejoice in God, my Savior. May You, the very God of peace, sanctify me wholly, that my whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ (1 Thessalonians 5.23).

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER TO EXPERIENCE AND ENJOY JESUS

Heavenly Father,

As a newborn babe, I desire the sincere milk of the word, that I may grow thereby, and so taste that the Lord is gracious (1 Peter 2.2, 3). I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. I looked unto Him, and was enlightened, and my face was not ashamed. I cried, and the Lord heard me, and saved me out of all my troubles. I taste and see that the Lord is good. I am blessed as I trust in Him. (Psalm 34.4-8)

Let me flee from idolatry. The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread. I cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils. I cannot partake of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils. Let me not do what is not expedient and what does not edify. Whatever I eat and drink, whatever I do, let it be to the glory of God. (1 Corinthians 10.16-33)

I thank God that I partake of His promise in Christ by the gospel (Ephesians 3.6). I do not partake with the children of disobedience, for I was sometimes darkness, but now I am light in the Lord and walk as a child of light. I have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness. (Ephesians 5.7-11) I am confident that He which has begun a good work in me will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. I partake of grace. May my love abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment and may I be filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God. (Philippians 1.6-11)

May I walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness; giving thanks unto the Father, which has made me meet to be a partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light and has delivered me from the power of darkness and has translated me into the kingdom of His dear Son. (Colossians 1.10-13)

Help me to keep myself pure and not be a partaker in others' sins (1 Timothy 5.22). Let me look to myself that I lose not those things which I have wrought (in God), but that I receive a full reward, for whosoever transgresses and abides not in the doctrine of Christ, has not God. Let me not partake of evil deeds. (2 John 8-11)

As I partake of the sufferings, so shall I also partake of the consolation (2 Corinthians 1.7). I rejoice as I partake of Christ's sufferings, that, when His glory shall be revealed, I may be glad also with exceeding joy. If I suffer according to the will of God, I commit the keeping of my soul to Him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator. (1 Peter 4.13-19) Let me choose rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt, for I have respect unto the recompense of the reward (Hebrews 11.25).

May grace and peace be multiplied unto me through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord. According as His divine power has given unto me all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that has called us to glory and virtue: whereby are given unto me exceeding great and precious promises: that by these I might partake of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. May I thus give all diligence and add to my faith virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness, charity, that I be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 1.2-8)

I see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that He by the grace of God should taste death for every one. He that sanctifies me and I as the one being sanctified are one. Just as I partake of flesh and blood, so also Jesus took part of the same, that He through death might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil. (Hebrews 2) I partake of the heavenly calling (Hebrews 3.1). I partake of Christ (Hebrews 3.14). I taste of the heavenly gift, partake of the Holy Ghost, taste the good word of God and the powers of the age to come (Hebrews 6.4).

Whom the Lord loves, He chastens, and scourges every one whom He receives. If I endure chastening, God deals with me as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chastens not? But if I be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then am I a bastard, and not a son. (Hebrews 12.6-8) God chastens me for my profit, that I might be partaker of His holiness (Hebrews 12.10).

I trust in the Lord, and do good; so shall I dwell in the land, and verily I shall be fed. I delight myself also in the Lord; and He shall give me the desires of my heart. I commit my way unto the Lord; I trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass. (Psalms 37.3-5) In the multitude of my thoughts within me, Your comforts delight my soul (Psalm 94.19). When I thirst, I come to the waters. I buy wine and milk without money and without price. I hearken diligently unto the Lord and eat what is good, and let my soul delight itself in fatness. (Isaiah 55.1, 2)

Let me not just be an heir of the promise, but let me be as one who through faith and patience inherits the promises (Hebrews 6.12).

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER TO BE A PERSON OF HONOR

Heavenly Father,

Grant me grace to have respect unto all Your commandments. I will meditate in Your precepts, and have respect unto Your ways. Hold me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto Your statutes continually. (Psalm 119.6, 15, 17) Let me honor You not only with the words of my mouth, but also from my heart (Matthew 15.8). The Lord is well pleased for His righteousness' sake; He will magnify the law, and make it honorable (Isaiah 42.21).

All people should honor the Son, even as they should honor the Father. The one that does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him. (John 5.23) Help me to regard reproof for Your word says: Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuses instruction, but he that regards reproof shall be honored. (Proverbs 13.18)

Let me render to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor. (Romans 13.6) Grant me the grace and patience to serve others, my elders, my employers, my co-workers (Proverbs 27.18), with integrity (1 Samuel 9.6), faithfully (1 Samuel 22.14), living up to my responsibilities (2 Kings 5.1, 1 Chronicles 4.9). Let me honor my father and my mother that my days may be long upon the land which the Lord my God gives me (Exodus 20.12, Deuteronomy 5.16).

Enable me to honor You with my sacrifices (Isaiah 43.23, Romans 12.1, 2). Let me esteem the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt as did Moses, for Moses had respect unto the recompence of the reward (Hebrews 11.26). Let me have mercy on the poor for the one that oppresses the poor reproaches You, his Maker, but the one that honors You has mercy on the poor (Proverbs 14.31). Let me not despise or profane Your Name and dishonor You by offering You less than the first and the best, less than what I would give to a person I highly esteem (Malachi 1.6-14). Let me not profane Your Name by saying that it is vain to serve You and of no profit to keep Your ordinances (Malachi 3.13, 14). Let me serve You respectfully and with reverent fear.

Let me bless the most High and give praise and honor to You that live forever, to You whose dominion is an everlasting dominion and whose kingdom is from generation to generation, for did not Nebuchadnezzar so praise and honor You? (Daniel 4.34-37)

Let me be precious in Your sight, that I may be honorable and loved by You, for therefore will You give men for me, and people for my life (Isaiah 43.4). Let me turn away from doing my own pleasure on Your holy day and call the sabbath a delight and the holy of the Lord honorable and honor You, not doing my own ways, nor finding my

own pleasure, nor speaking my own words. Then I shall delight myself in the Lord and You will cause me to ride upon the high places of the earth and feed me with the heritage of Jacob (Isaiah 58.13, 14).

You have said that those that honor You, You will honor, and those that despise You shall be lightly esteemed (1 Samuel 2.30). Glory and honor are in Your presence, strength and gladness are in Your place (1 Chronicles 16.27). Both riches and honor come of You, and You reign over all; and in Your hand is power and might; and in Your hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all (1 Chronicles 29.12).

Let me not seek riches, wealth, or honor. Let me not make choices on the basis of making deals with You or on the basis of what I think is “fair,” but let me seek truth and correct values, wisdom and knowledge, making decisions on the basis of what I value, on the basis of honor. (2 Chronicles 1.11, 12) Let me live my life esteemed by You with dignity, with praise to You, with respect to You, with recognition of who You are and all the marvelous things You do. (Psalm 8, Psalm 21, e.g.) Let me sing forth the honor of Your Name and make Your praise glorious (Psalm 66.2). Let my mouth be filled with Your praise and with Your honor all the day (Psalm 71.8).

I shall call upon You, and You will answer me: You will be with me in trouble; You will deliver me, and honor me. (Psalm 91.15) Surely, honor and majesty are before You: strength and beauty are in Your sanctuary. (Psalm 96.6) I bless the Lord with my soul. O Lord my God, You are very great; You are clothed with honor and majesty (Psalm 104.1).

Let me disperse and give to the poor. Let my righteousness endure forever. Let my horn be exalted with honor. (Psalm 112.9) I determine to honor the Lord with my substance, and with the first fruits of all my increase: so shall my barns be filled with plenty, and my presses shall burst out with new wine. I will not despise the chastening of the Lord nor be weary of His correction, for whom the Lord loves He corrects. I will be a happy person, finding wisdom and getting understanding. (Proverbs 3.9-13)

The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom; and before honor is humility. (Proverbs 15.33) Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honor is humility (Proverbs 18.12). It is an honor for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling. (Proverbs 20.3) The one that follows after righteousness and mercy finds life, righteousness, and honor (Proverbs 21.21), and by humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honor, and life (Proverbs 22.4). A man’s pride shall bring him low: but honor shall uphold the humble in spirit. (Proverbs 29.23) Open my heart and change it that I may walk according to the wisdom of God only Wise.

Let me seek the honor that comes from God only and not from men. (John 5.41, 44) Let me follow and serve Jesus for Jesus said that if any one serve Him, that one will His Father honor (John 12.26). Let me continue in well doing by patient endurance (Romans 2.7, 9). Let me be a vessel unto honor (Romans 9.21). Let me be kindly affectioned to others with brotherly love, in honor preferring others (Romans 12.10). Let

me esteem my body as a vessel, knowing how to possess my vessel in sanctification and honor (1 Thessalonians 4.4).

Let me honor widows (1 Timothy 5.3), elders that rule well (1 Timothy 5.17), masters (1 Timothy 6.1), the elderly (Leviticus 19.32), my parents (Matthew 19.19), marriage (Hebrews 13.4), the prophet of God (John 4.44), my wife (1 Peter 3.7), indeed all people (1 Peter 2.17). Let me hold them in esteem, in a position preferable to my own. Let me rightly divide the word of truth, shun profane and vain babblings, depart from iniquity, flee youthful lusts, follow after righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with those that call on the Lord out of a pure heart, being gentle, patient, apt to teach, meek, teachable myself. (2 Timothy 2)

Father, I ask that the Holy Spirit produce in me the fruit of the Spirit, godly character. Let me listen to others as I persuade. Let me have love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance/self-control (Galatians 5.22). Let me be teachable, accepting of others, consistent, walking in knowledge and integrity. Let me live without fear so I do not make choices based on what I want to avoid, for You have not given me a spirit of fear, but of love, power, and a sound mind (2 Timothy 1.7).

Holy Father, as You teach me and enable me to honor You and others, and how to do so, I will be honorable. Fill me with Your Holy Spirit, I pray.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A DECLARATION OF VICTORY IN CHRIST

Heavenly Father,

I have read of Your victories in Your Word, as for example when David and his mighty men slew the Philistines and took the spoils (2 Samuel 23). Out of the spoils won in battles did they dedicate to maintain the house of the Lord (1 Chronicles 26.27). King David said, “Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in the heaven 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 reign over all. In Your hands are power and might. In Your hands it is to make great and to give strength to all. Now therefore, our God, we thank You and praise Your glorious Name (1 Chronicles 29.11-13).”

I am encouraged and unto You, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. O my God, I trust in You. Let me not be ashamed, let not my enemies triumph over me. Yes, let none that wait on You be ashamed. Let them be ashamed which transgress without cause. (Psalm 25.1, 2)

Blessed is the one that considers the poor, for You, Lord, will deliver that one in time of trouble. You will preserve him and keep him alive, and he shall be blessed upon the earth, and You will not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. By this I know that You favor me, because my enemy does not triumph over me, and as for me, You uphold me in my integrity, and set me before Your face forever. (Psalm 41.1, 2, 11, 12)

You are my King, O God. Command deliverance for Jacob. Through You I will push down my enemies. Through Your Name I will tread them under that rise up against me. For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me. You have saved me from my enemies, and have put them to shame that hate me. I boast in You all the day long, and praise Your Name forever. (Psalm 44.4-8)

I clap my hands. I shout unto God with the voice of triumph. For the Lord most high is terrible. He is a great King over all the earth. He shall subdue the people under me, and the nations under my feet. He shall choose my inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom He loved. (Psalm 47.1-4)

You, Lord, have made me glad through Your work. I will triumph in the works of Your hands. O Lord, how great are Your works! Your thoughts are very deep. (Psalm 92.4, 5) Save me for Your Name’s sake, that You may make Your mighty power to be known. Save me from the hand of the one that hates me, and redeem me from the hand of the enemy. Regard my affliction and hear my cry. Remember for me Your covenant. Save me, O Lord my God, and gather me from among the heathen, that I may give thanks unto Your holy Name, and triumph in Your praise. (Psalm 106.8, 10, 44, 45, 47)

Give me help from trouble, for vain is the help of man. Through God I shall do valiantly, for He it is that shall tread down my enemies. (Psalm 108.12, 13) The Lord is my strength and song, and is become my salvation. The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the righteous. The right hand of the Lord does valiantly. The right hand of the Lord is exalted. The right hand of the Lord does valiantly. I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. The Lord has chastened me sore, but He has not given me over unto death. Open to me the gates of righteousness. I will go into them, and I will praise the Lord. (Psalm 118.14-19)

I sing unto the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. His right hand and His holy arm has gotten Him the victory. (Psalm 98.1) He will swallow up death in victory, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces, and the rebuke of His people shall He take away from off all the earth, for the Lord has spoken it. (Isaiah 25.8) When this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying, "Death is swallowed up in victory." O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory? Thanks be to God, which gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Corinthians 15.54, 55, 57)

A bruised reed shall He not break, and smoking flax shall He not quench, till He send forth judgment unto victory (Matthew 12.20). I give thanks unto the Father, which has made me meet to be a partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light. You have delivered me from the power of darkness and have translated me into the kingdom of Your dear Son, in whom I have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1.12-14) In Christ dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and I am complete in Him, which is the head of all principality and power. He has blotted out the handwriting of ordinances that was against me, which was contrary to me, and took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross, and having spoiled principalities, and powers, He made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it. (Colossians 2.9, 10, 14, 15)

Whatsoever is born of God overcomes the world, and this is the victory that overcomes the world, even our faith (1 John 5.4). Now thanks be unto God, which always causes me to triumph in Christ, and makes manifest the savor of His knowledge by me in every place. (2 Corinthians 2.14) This is the confidence that I have in Him, that if I ask any thing according to His will, He hears me, and if I know that He hears me, whatsoever I ask, I know that I have the petitions that I desire of Him.

You are the praise of my heart, and I come to You in Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER FOR BEAUTY

Holy Father,

I praise You, LORD. I sing unto You a new song. I rejoice in You that made me, for You take pleasure in Your people. You will beautify the meek with salvation. (Psalm 149.1, 2, 4) Yes, I sing unto You a new song and bless Your name. I show forth Your salvation from day to day. I declare Your glory among the heathen, Your wonders among all people. Honor and majesty are before You: strength and beauty are in Your sanctuary. Therefore, I give unto You glory and strength, the glory due Your name. I worship You in the beauty of holiness. Let all the earth fear before You. (Psalm 96.1-3, 6-9)

One thing have I desired of You, LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His temple. Teach me Your way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of my enemies. Deliver me not over unto the will of my enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty. I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. I wait on the LORD today. (Psalm 27.4, 11-13)

I give unto the LORD glory and strength, the glory due unto His name. I worship You, LORD, in the beauty of holiness. (Psalm 29.1, 2)

Satisfy me early with Your mercy; that I may rejoice and be glad all my days. Make me glad according to the days wherein You have afflicted me, and the years wherein I have seen evil. Let Your work appear unto Your servants, and Your glory unto their children. And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon me: and establish the work of my hands; yes, the work of my hands, establish it. (Psalm 90.14-17)

Give unto me as one who mourns beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that I might be called a tree of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that You might be glorified. (Isaiah 61.3)

Let not my heart be lifted up because of my beauty. Let wisdom not be corrupted by reason of brightness (Ezekiel 28.17), for of Jesus, Isaiah prophesied that He had no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him. He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from Him; He was despised, and we esteemed Him not. (Isaiah 53.2, 3)

Rather, let me praise the beauty of holiness and say, "Praise the LORD; for His mercy endures forever." (2 Chronicles 20.21)

Let me not be as the hypocrites, a whited sepulcher, which indeed appears beautiful outwardly, but within, full of dead men's bones and of all uncleanness, full of hypocrisy and iniquity. (Matthew 23.27, 28) Rather, let me be holy. Let me radiate the beauty of the Lord. Let me obey the will of my Heavenly Father, believing Your Word, believing Jesus, carrying the message of Your goodness and beauty.

May the Spirit of the Lord GOD be upon me to anoint me to preach good tidings unto the meek, to send me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; to appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. (Isaiah 61.1-3)

Of me, let it be said: "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that brings good tidings, that publishes peace; that brings good tidings of good, that publishes salvation; that says unto Zion, Your God reigns!" (Isaiah 52.7, cf. Romans 10.15)

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER FOR RESTFUL SLEEP

My Heavenly Father,

I come to You because I am having difficulty sleeping. Sometimes I feel like Jacob, who was afraid, anxious, and said: “Thus I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from my eyes.” (Genesis 31.40) I have suffered traumatic experiences that have resulted in sleeplessness. I have, like Nebuchadnezzar, dreamed dreams that have troubled my spirit and kept me from sleeping (Daniel 2.1). I have had difficulty sleeping because of time scheduling problems (1 Thessalonians 5.6, 7; Mark 4.27, Luke 22.46). I have stayed awake watchful (Mark 13.36). I have indulged in vain imaginations (2 Corinthians 10.5). I have failed to forgive and so have been delivered to the tormentors (Matthew 18.34).

Sometimes I have slept because of sorrow (Luke 22.45). I have had times of sleep, but not of rest. Yet I know that rest is the purpose of sleep (Mark 14.41, John 11.13). All my days are sorrows, and my travail grief. My heart takes not rest in the night. (Ecclesiastes 2.23)

Therefore, I come to You, not to sleep too much and so be lazy (Proverbs 6.9, 19.15) or come to poverty (Proverbs 20.13), but that I might have restful sleep, free of terror, fear, anxiety, worries, a racing mind and imagination, traumatic memories, nightmares, the pain of infirmities and sorrows, the fear of “missing something.” I cry unto the Lord with my voice that You might hear me out of Your holy hill, that I might lay down and sleep and wake, knowing that the Lord sustains me. I will not be afraid. (Psalm 3.4-6)

I commune with my own heart upon my bed, and I am still. I offer the sacrifices of righteousness and put my trust in the Lord. Put gladness in my heart. I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep, for You, Lord, only make me dwell in safety. (Psalm 4.4-8)

I thank You that You will not suffer my foot to be moved. You keep me and will not slumber, for You neither slumber nor sleep. You are my keeper and preserve me from all evil. You preserve my soul, my going out and my coming in. (Psalm 121)

Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchmen wake but in vain. It is vain for me to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows, for so You give Your beloved sleep. (Psalm 127.1, 2) When I lie down, I shall not be afraid. I shall lie down, and my sleep shall be sweet. I shall not be afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it comes. The Lord is my confidence, and shall keep my foot from being taken. (Proverbs 3.24-26)

I keep the commandment and bind it continually upon my heart and tie it about my neck. When I go, it shall lead me. When I sleep, it shall keep me. When I awake, it

shall talk with me. For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life. (Proverbs 6.20-23)

I exercise and labor, for the sleep of a laboring man is sweet, whether he eats little or much, but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep (Ecclesiastes 5.12). I trust in the Lord with all my heart and lean not to my own understanding. In all my ways I acknowledge You for You will direct my paths. (Proverbs 3.5, 6) I cannot know all the business done upon the earth even if I stay awake day and night. I cannot know everything. (Ecclesiastes 8.16, 17)

I forgive others, myself, and You, releasing all from my judgment to Yours that I might be delivered from torment (Matthew 18) and that Your will prevail.

Lord, grant to make with me a covenant of peace, to cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land that I may dwell safely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods. Make me a blessing and cause the shower to come down in its season that there shall be showers of blessing. Let the tree of the field yield her fruit and the earth yield her increase that I may be safe in the land and know that You are the Lord, that You break the bands of my yoke and deliver me out of the hand of those that served themselves of me. Let me no longer be a prey to the heathen. Let not the beast of the land devour me, but let me dwell safely such that none shall make me afraid. Raise up for me a plant of renown, and I shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more. Thus I shall know that You the Lord my God are with me, that I am Yours, that You are my God. (Ezekiel 34.25-31)

I rejoice in the Lord always. I rejoice. I let my moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. I am careful for nothing, but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving I let my requests be made known to You. The peace of God which passes all understanding shall keep my heart and mind through Christ Jesus. I think about those things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, virtuous, praiseworthy. I follow the ways of Christ. The God of peace is with me. (Philippians 4.4-9)

As You, God, give rest I shall be secure, because there is hope. I shall rest in safety. I shall lie down and none shall make me afraid. The eyes of the wicked shall fail, and they shall not escape, and their hope shall be as the giving up of the ghost. (Job 11.18-20) I come unto Jesus to be given rest. (Matthew 11.28) I call upon Jehovah Shalom that I might have peace, rest, and restful sleep.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

DISARMING THE ENEMY

Heavenly Father,

It is my desire to disarm the enemy in my own personal life. It is my desire to walk in Christ, rooted and built up in Him, and established in the faith, abounding therein with thanksgiving. I do not want anyone to spoil me through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the elements of the world, and not after Christ, for in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. I am complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power: in whom also I am circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: buried with Him in baptism, wherein also I am risen with Him through the faith of the operation of God, who has raised Him from the dead. And I, being dead in my sins and the uncircumcision of my flesh, has He quickened together with Him, having forgiven me all trespasses; blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against me, which was contrary to me, and took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross: and having spoiled principalities and powers, He made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it. (Colossians 2.7-15)

You are light, and in You is no darkness at all. If I say that I have fellowship with You, and walk in darkness, I lie, and do not the truth: but if I walk in the light as You are in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ Your Son, cleanses me from all sin. If I say that I have no sin, I deceive myself, and the truth is not in me. If I confess my sins, You are faithful and just to forgive me my sins, and to cleanse me from all unrighteousness. If I say that I have not sinned, I make You a liar, and Your word is not in me. (1 John 1.5-10)

Holy Father, I come into agreement with Your Word, for the wrath of man works not the righteousness of God. Wherefore I lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save my soul. (James 1.21)

I confess, therefore, that I have despised the poor. I have respect to persons and so commit sin. I am convinced of the law as a transgressor. **For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all. For He that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if I commit no adultery, yet if I kill, I am become a transgressor of the law.** (James 2.6, 9-11)

I confess that out of my mouth proceeds blessing and cursing. (James 3.10) I have bitter envying and strife in my heart and cannot glory and want to lie against the truth. I have followed a wisdom that descends not from above, but that is earthly, sensual, devilish, for where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. (James 3.14-16)

I lust, and have not. I kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain. I fight and war, yet I have not, because I ask not. I ask and receive not because I ask amiss, that I may consume it upon my lusts. I am an adulterer, for friendship of the world is enmity with God. Whosoever will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. You resist the proud, but give grace unto the humble. Therefore, I submit myself to You. I resist the devil, and he will flee from me. I draw nigh to You, and so You will draw nigh to me. I cleanse my hands as a sinner and purify my heart as one double minded. I afflict myself and mourn and weep. I let my laughter be turned into mourning and my joy into heaviness. I humble myself in the sight of my Lord, and He shall lift me up. (James 4.2-10)

I have spoken evil of my brothers and judged my brother, and so have spoken evil of the law and judged the law, so I am not a doer of the law, but a judge. Yet there is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: so who am I that judges another? I do not know what shall be tomorrow. What is my life? It is even a vapor. I ought to say, "if the Lord will, I shall live, and do this, or that." My boasting and rejoicing in my boasting is evil. I have known to do good and do it not. To me it is sin. (James 4.11-17)

I confess that the end of the commandment is love out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned. (1 Timothy 1.5) I confess that the law is good if one use it lawfully. I confess that the law is made for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, for whoremongers, for those that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine. (1 Timothy 1.8-10) I acknowledge my sin and my guilt. Nevertheless, the grace of my Lord is exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am one. (1 Timothy 1.14, 15)

I confess that I have walked in the vanity of my mind, having my understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in me, because of the blindness of my heart. Being past feeling I have given myself over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But I have not so learned Christ. The truth is in Jesus. The outworking of my "old nature," my former way of life, is corrupt according to its deceitful lusts. I want to be renewed in the spirit of my mind. I want to put on the new nature which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. (Ephesians 4.17-24)

I have lied and not spoken truth with my neighbor, for we are members one of another. I have been angry and let the sun go down upon my wrath. I have given place to the devil. I have stolen and not labored with my hands what is good so as to give to those in need. I have let corrupt communication proceed out of my mouth and not that which is good to the use of edifying that it may minister grace unto the hearers. I have grieved the Holy Spirit of God, whereby I am sealed unto the day of redemption. I confess bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamor, and evil speaking, and malice. I have been unkind, stubborn and hard-hearted and unforgiving. All this I desire to "put

off' in accord with Your Word because You, for Christ's sake, have forgiven me. (Ephesians 4.25-32)

I confess that I am dead, and my life is hid with Christ in God. I confess fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry. For these the wrath of God comes on the children of disobedience. I have walked in these as I have lived in them upon the earth. I desire to mortify my members which are upon the earth. I desire to set my affection on things above, not on things on the earth. (Colossians 3.2-7)

I confess anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of my mouth. I lie. Yet I desire to put on the new nature, to be renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created me, for Christ is all, and in all. As the elect of God, I desire to put on bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering, forbearance, love, peace. (Colossians 3.8-15)

I confess fear and unbelief, abominations, murder, whoremonging, sorcery, idolatry, lying, as one who deserves my part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, as one deserving the second death. (Revelation 21.8) Nevertheless, I desire to overcome that I may inherit all things so that of me You will declare: "I will be your God, and you shall be My son." (Revelation 21.7)

I confess, likewise, that Jesus Christ is the faithful witness and the first begotten of the dead and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved me, and washed me from my sins in His own blood, and has made me a king and priest unto God and His Father, to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. (Revelation 1.5, 6)

I confess that I have been a murmurer, complainer, walking after my own lusts, my mouth speaking great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage. I have been a mocker, walking after my own ungodly lusts, separating myself from God, sensual, having not the Spirit. Nevertheless, I desire to be built up in my most holy faith, keeping myself in the love of God, looking for the mercy of my Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. Now unto Him that is able to keep me from falling, and to present me faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen. (Jude 16, 18-25)

I confess fornication, and all uncleanness, and covetousness, filthiness, foolish talking, and jesting. I have been a whoremonger, an unclean person, a covetous one, an idolater, as one having no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God, as one upon whom comes the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. I have been sometimes darkness, but now I desire to be and I am light in the Lord. I desire to walk as a child of light, having no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, walking as wise, redeeming the time, understanding what the will of the Lord is, being filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of my Lord Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 5)

I confess I have been and I am a fornicator, covetous, an idolater, a railer, a drunkard, an extortioner, a wicked person. (1 Corinthians 5.11) I have defrauded my brother. I have been as one unrighteous, as one who shall not inherit the kingdom of God. I have been and I am a fornicator, an idolater, an adulterer, an effeminate, an abuser of myself with mankind, a thief, a covetous person, a drunkard, a reviler, an extortioner, one who does not inherit the kingdom of God. Nevertheless, I am washed, I am sanctified, I am justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of my God. (1 Corinthians 6.8-11)

I confess that I am without excuse. Even though I know God, I glorify You not as God, neither am I thankful. I am vain in my imaginations, and my foolish heart is darkened. I profess to be wise, but I am a fool. I have changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four-footed beasts, and creeping things. I deserve for God to give me up to uncleanness through the lusts of my own heart, to dishonor my own body. I have changed the truth of God into a lie and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. I have not liked to retain God in my knowledge and deserve to be given over to a reprobate mind to do those things which are not convenient. I have been and am filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness, envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity, a whisperer, backbiter, hater of God, spiteful, proud, a boaster, an inventor of evil things, disobedient to parents, as one without understanding, **a covenant breaker**, one without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful, knowing the judgment of God, worthy of death, not only doing these things but having pleasure in those that do them. (Romans 1) The just shall live by faith. (Romans 1.17)

I teach and preach that others should not steal, and I steal. I say that others should not commit adultery, and I commit adultery. I say that I abhor idols, yet I commit sacrilege. **I boast of the law, yet I break the law and dishonor God.** (Romans 2.21-23)

I confess that I am a lawbreaker and a covenant breaker. I confess that I have had other gods before You. I have made unto myself graven images and the likeness of things that are in heaven above, in the earth beneath, in the water under the earth. I have bowed down myself to them and served them, even though You are a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate You and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love You and keep Your commandments. I have taken the name of the Lord my God in vain, though You have said that You will not hold him guiltless that takes Your name in vain. I have not remembered the sabbath day to keep it holy, though You blessed the sabbath day and hallowed it. I have not honored my father and my mother that my days may be long upon the land which the Lord my God gives me. I have killed. I have committed adultery. I have stolen. I have borne false witness against my neighbor. I have coveted people and things that are my neighbor's. (Exodus 20.3-17)

I ask that You forgive and remit my sin, pardon my iniquity, remove my transgressions far from me, forgive my disobedience, my unbelief, my wickedness, remember my lawless deeds no more, forgive my rebellion and the thoughts and intents of an evil heart. I come to You in Jesus' Name, confessing my faith in Him, my faith in the Blood of Jesus to cover, cleanse, carry me into the Holy of Holies. I confess that the Blood cancels my debt and liability, clears me of guilt and condemnation. The Blood of Jesus atones for my sin, propitiates Your wrath, removes the alienation and brings peace, redeems me from bondage, satisfies divine justice, and **destroys Satan's hold**. The Blood witnesses against Satan and his accusations, his strategies and devices for my destruction. I bring my self, my body, my soul, my spirit, my life before You under the Blood, and so I overcome my enemies—sin, self, the world system, the flesh, and Satan.

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that I ask or think, according to the power that works within me, unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen. (Ephesians 3.20)

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

BREAKING LEVIATHAN, KING OF PRIDE

LORD GOD MOST HIGH,

Draw out leviathan and destroy him in my life. Leviathan beholds all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride. (Job 41.34) I cannot stir up and defeat leviathan in my own strength. (Job 41.10)

Lord, how manifold are Your works. In wisdom You have made them all: the earth is full of Your riches. So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts. There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom You have made to play therein. (Psalm 104.24-26)

Why do You stand afar off, O Lord? Why do You hide Yourself in times of trouble? The wicked in his pride persecutes the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined. For the wicked boasts of his heart's desire, and blesses the covetous, whom You, Lord, abhor. The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God. God is not in all his thoughts. His ways are always grievous. Your judgments are far above out of his sight. As for all his enemies, he puffs at them. He has said in his heart, I shall not be moved, for I shall never be in adversity. His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and fraud. Under his tongue is mischief and vanity. He sits in the lurking places of the villages. In the secret places he murders the innocent. His eyes are set against the poor. He lies in wait secretly as a lion in his den to catch the poor, when he draws him into his net. He crouches and humbles himself that the poor may fall by his strong ones. He has said in his heart, God has forgotten. He hides His face. He will never see it. Arise, O Lord. O God, lift up Your hand. Do not forget the humble. Break the arm of the wicked and the evil one. Seek out his wickedness till You find none. The Lord is KING for ever and ever. (Psalm 10.1-16)

Lord, hear the desire of the humble and prepare my heart. Judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that the man of the earth may no more oppress. (Psalm 10.17, 18) Come as You have said in Isaiah 27.1: *In that day the Lord with His sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and He shall slay the dragon that is in the sea.*

I cannot draw out leviathan with a hook or draw out his tongue with a cord. I cannot put a hook into his nose or bore his jaw through with a thorn. (Job 41.1, 2) But as to the great dragon that lies in the midst of his rivers, You will put hooks in his jaws. (Ezekiel 29.3, 4) Leviathan will not make supplications unto me or speak soft words to me. Leviathan will not make a covenant, nor serve, nor be as a pet, nor be speared. If I

lay my hand upon him, I will remember the battle, and never do it again. I have no hope of victory over him in and of myself. Even the sight of him overwhelms me. None is so fierce that dare stir up leviathan. (Job 41.1-10)

But You have said, “None is so fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before Me?” (Job 41.10) Leviathan cannot stand in Your Presence. I also cannot stand in Your Presence. You, God, will crush pride. For God is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth. You divided the sea by Your strength. You break the heads of the dragons in the waters. You break the heads of leviathan in pieces, and give him to be meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness. (Psalm 74.12.14)

You resist the proud but give grace to the humble. (James 4.6) Who prevents You, that You should repay him? Whatsoever is under the whole heaven is Yours. (Job 41.11)

As to leviathan, You have said, “I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.” (Job 41.12) You, Lord, can discover the face of his garment and can come to him with his double bridle. You can open the doors of his face with its terrible teeth. Leviathan’s scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal. One is so near to another that no air can come between them. They are joined one to another. They stick together so that they cannot be sundered. (Job 41.12-17) Break the jaws of leviathan (Job 29.17). You, Lord, can enter in to break his jaws and release me as his victim. You can open the doors of his face.

Arise, O Lord. Save me, O my God, for You have smitten all my enemies upon the cheek bone. You have broken the teeth of the ungodly. Salvation belongs unto the Lord. Your blessing is upon Your people. (Psalm 3.7, 8)

The wicked are estranged from the womb. They go astray as soon as they are born, speaking lies. Their poison is like the poison of a serpent. They are like the deaf adder that stops her ear, which will not hearken to the voice of charmers, charming ever so wisely. Break their teeth, O God, in their mouth. Break out the great teeth of the young lions, O Lord. (Psalm 58.3-6)

Leviathan is like a fire-breathing dragon. (Job 41.18, 19) Leviathan manifests through the tongue in boasting, lying, and cursing. Deliver me from my enemies and defend me from them that rise up against me. Wicked transgressors belch out with their mouth, have swords in their lips and think no one hears. You, however, hold the heathen in derision. Because of his strength I will wait upon You, for God is my defense. The God of my mercy will prevent me. God shall let me see my desire upon my enemies. You say of the wicked: “For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride, and for cursing and lying which they speak.” Consume them in wrath and let them know that God rules in Jacob unto the ends of the earth. (cf. Psalm 59.1-13)

You have much to say about the proud. I confess the sin of pride and that I have done much damage through my mouth. Father, I need coals from the Heavenly Altar to purge my lips. (Isaiah 6.5-7) Have mercy on me, Covenant Lord.

Holy Father, the strength of leviathan is in his neck. (Job 41.22) I confess that I have no strength and am weak to fight this enemy. But You gird me with strength unto the battle. You subdue under me those that rise up against me. You give me the necks of my enemies that I might destroy them that hate me. (Psalm 18.39, 40, see also Joshua 10.24) To obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams, for rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. (1 Samuel 15.22, 23) I have been stiff-necked and stubborn. I have lifted up my horn on high and spoken with a stiff neck, seeking to promote myself. (Psalm 75.5, 6) I have not obeyed or inclined my ear, but I have made my neck stiff that I might not hear or receive instruction. (Jeremiah 17.23)

As to leviathan, the flakes of his flesh are joined together. They are firm in themselves. They cannot be moved. His heart is as firm as a stone, yes, as hard as a piece of the nether millstone. (Job 41.23, 24) I have been unyielding and unbending, set in my ways. I confess unbelief and doubt (Mark 16.14), lack of spiritual perception, wisdom and understanding (Mark 8.17, 18), lack of repentance (Romans 2.5), drifting and departing from You, God. (Hebrews 3.12) I have been unable to remember scripture and I have been sleepy when trying to pray or study the Word.

My own efforts are of no avail against leviathan. (Job 41.26) As to leviathan, he esteems iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood. The arrow cannot make him flee. Sling stones are turned with him into stubble. Darts are counted as stubble. He laughs at the shaking of a spear. Therefore, I need the arrow of the Lord's deliverance that I might smite my enemies until they are consumed. (2 Kings 13.17) Shoot at the wicked and worker of iniquity with an arrow and suddenly they will be wounded. Let men fear and declare the work of God and wisely consider His doing. Let the righteous be glad in the Lord and trust in Him and let all the upright in heart glory. (Psalm 64.7-10) Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies. You love righteousness and hate wickedness. Therefore, anoint me with the oil of gladness above my fellows. (Psalm 45.5, 7)

As to leviathan, sharp stones are under him. He spreads sharp pointed things upon the mire. He makes the deep to boil like a pot. He makes the sea like a pot of ointment. He makes a path to shine after him. One would think the deep to be hoary. Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear. (Job 41.30-33) I command in Jesus' Name that the helpers of Rahab bow beneath the Lord. (Job 9.13) You break Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain. You scatter Your enemies with Your strong arm. The heavens are Yours, the earth also is Yours. As for the world and the fullness thereof, You have founded them. (Psalm 89.10, 11)

Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the Lord. Awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Are you not it that has cut Rahab and wounded the

dragon? (Isaiah 51.9) Break the head of leviathan, strip his scales, crush him, take away his armor, and spoil his goods. Loose the necessary and sufficient holy elect angels, spirits of destruction (1 Chronicles 21.12), and the Spirit of Burning and Judgment (Isaiah 4.4) against leviathan.

My soul, wait only upon God, for my expectation is from Him. LORD God, you only are my rock and my salvation. You are my defense. I shall not be moved. In You, God, is my salvation and my glory. The rock of my strength and my refuge are in You, God. I trust in You at all times. I pour out my heart before You. You are a refuge for me. God has spoken once. Twice I have heard this; that power belongs unto God. Also unto You, O Lord, belong mercy. (Psalm 62.5-12)

God grant me grace, humility, and meekness. Grant me salvation in Jesus Christ alone. As Jesus defeats leviathan in the power of His Person and His Presence, grant it to be so in me and in my life.

I come to You having bold access to the Throne of Your grace and glory by the Blood of Jesus Christ. Forgive my sins that I might have fellowship with You and behold the Face of my Father. Defeat leviathan in me and in my life.

I come in the Name of that One who is faithful and true, the Faithful Amen. I come in Jesus' Name, Amen and Amen.

A PRAYER TO OVERCOME REJECTION

Holy Father,

I bless You for You have blessed me with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ. You chose me in Him before the foundation of the world, that I should be holy and without blame before You in love, having predestined me to adoption as a son by Jesus Christ to Himself according to the good pleasure of Your will to the praise of the glory of Your grace, by which You made me accepted in the Beloved. (Ephesians 1.3-6)

I am bound to give thanks to You always for I am beloved by the Lord because God from the beginning chose me for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. He called me by the gospel for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Thessalonians 2.13, 14) I am of the holy people to the Lord my God; the Lord my God has chosen me to be part of a people for Himself, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth. The Lord set His love upon me because the Lord loves me. Because He would keep the oath which He swore to our fathers, the Lord has brought me out with a mighty hand and redeemed me from bondage. The Lord my God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments. (Deuteronomy 7.6-9)

The Lord Most High is awesome; He is a great King over all the earth. He will subdue the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet. He will choose our inheritance for us, the excellence of Jacob whom He loves. (Psalm 47.2-4) Blessed is the one You choose, and cause to approach You, that that one may dwell in Your courts. (Psalm 65.4) I seek the Lord and His strength. I seek His face evermore. I remember His marvelous works which He has done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth, for I am of the seed of Abraham, His servant. I am of the children of Jacob, His chosen ones. (Psalm 105.4-6)

You have chosen me and have not cast me away or rejected me. You say to me, "Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." (Isaiah 41.9, 10) I am Your servant whom You have chosen that I may know and believe You, and understand that You are He, before You there was no God formed, nor shall there be after You. You are the Lord, and besides You there is no savior. (Isaiah 43.10, 11)

I will not let my hands be weak. The Lord my God is in my midst, my Mighty Hero who saves. You, Lord, rejoice over me with gladness. You are quiet in Your love. You rejoice over me with singing. (Zephaniah 3.16, 17)

Many are called but few are chosen (Matthew 20.16), but I believe in Jesus Christ. I believe He died for me and rose again from the dead. I repent of sin and choose to follow Jesus, to surrender my life to Him. I am a child of the covenant of grace, a child of God, and God's elect. Jesus has said, "You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you." (John 15.16) I believe this. I believe because I belong. (John 10.26, 27) Jesus has chosen me out of the world (John 15.19). This is so that the world may know that You, Father, have sent Jesus, and have loved me as You have loved Jesus. Jesus has declared Your Name to me that the love with which You loved Jesus may be in me, and Jesus in me. (John 17.23-26)

I am chosen and loved by God. God has received me (Romans 14.3). Therefore, I am to receive others, just as Christ also received me, to the glory of God. (Romans 15.7) I have received mercy from God, and I do not lose heart. (2 Corinthians 4.1) I receive the Word of God and welcome it as it is in truth, the Word of God. This Word effectively works in me who believes. (1 Thessalonians 2.13)

I come to God as a living stone, rejected indeed by people, but chosen by God and precious. I am as a living stone, being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. I am elect, precious, and I believe on Jesus such that I will by no means be put to shame. I am of a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, of God's own special people, that I may proclaim the praises of Him who called me out of darkness into His marvelous light. I was once not of such a people, but now I am of the people of God. Once I had not obtained mercy, but now I have obtained mercy. (1 Peter 2.4-10)

There comes a time when there will be those who make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful. (Revelation 17.14)

To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. (Revelation 1.6)

I thank You, Father, that I am chosen. I ask that the Holy Spirit remove all doubt, ratify to me the covenant promises of grace, and replace error in me with Truth. I ask that You stamp out the word "rejected" on every cell in my body, and that every cell in my body be stamped with Your word, **"CHOSEN BY GOD."**

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER TO OVERCOME DEATH

Holy Father,

It is my desire to overcome death through faith in Christ. I was dead in trespasses and sins and once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience. I was by nature the child of wrath. But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved me, even when I was dead in trespasses, made me alive together with Christ. By grace I have been saved. I was raised up together with Christ and made to sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. I have been brought near by the blood of Christ. Christ abolished in His flesh the enmity, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man, making peace. (Ephesians 1, 2)

This new man was created according to God in true righteousness and holiness (Ephesians 4.24). I was once alienated and an enemy in my mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present me holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight. Grant me grace to continue in the faith and hope of the gospel. (Colossians 1.22, 23) I, being dead in my trespasses and the uncircumcision of my flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven me all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against me, which was contrary to me. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it. (Colossians 2.13-15)

My citizenship is in heaven, from which I also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform my lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself. Therefore, I stand fast in the Lord. (Philippians 3.20, 21; 4.1)

The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; the God of my strength, in whom I will trust; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge. My Savior, You save me from violence. I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; so shall I be saved from my enemies. When the waves of death surrounded me, the floods of ungodliness made me afraid. The sorrows of Sheol surrounded me; the snares of death confronted me. In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried out to my God. He heard my voice from His temple and my cry entered His ears. Then the earth shook and trembled. The foundations of heaven quaked and were shaken, because He was angry...He sent from above. He took me. He drew me out of many waters. He delivered me from my strong enemy, from those who hated me; for they were too strong

for me. They confronted me in the day of my calamity, but the Lord was my support. He also brought me out into a broad place. He delivered me because He delighted in me. (2 Samuel 22.1-20) {Pray this whole chapter if possible.}

I fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which I was also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the sight of God who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus who witnessed the good confession before Pontius Pilate, I keep this commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing, which He will manifest in His own time, He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see, to whom be honor and everlasting power. Amen. (1 Timothy 6.12-16)

My Savior Jesus Christ has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day. (2 Timothy 1.10, 12) I am strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. I remember that Jesus Christ is raised from the dead and that the word of God is not chained. I remember the faithful saying that if we died with Him, we shall also live with Him. If we endure, we shall also reign with Him. (2 Timothy 2.1, 8-12)

I see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. Inasmuch as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. (Hebrews 2.9, 14-15)

Having sacrificed one sacrifice for sins forever, Jesus sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. I have remission of my sins. I have boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for me, through the veil, that is, His flesh. (Hebrews 10.12-20)

If I do not believe that Jesus is the Messiah, I will die in my sins. If I know the truth, the truth shall make me free. I repent of unbelief and choose to believe Jesus, who said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word he shall never see death." (John 8.24, 32, 51) I believe Jesus who said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life." (John 5.24) I know and will know that I have passed from death to life because I love the brethren. The one who does not love his brother abides in death. By this I know love, because He laid down His life for me. And I also ought to lay down my life for the brethren. (1 John 3.14, 16)

Through Christ I overcome every obstacle, opposition, oppression, and occult power. Through Christ I overcome death. I praise You, my God and my Deliverer.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER TO OVERCOME POVERTY

Father in Heaven,

In Deuteronomy 27-30 You set forth the conditions of the blessing and the curse. To those who will not hearken to the voice of the Lord to observe to do all His commandments and His statutes, curses come upon and overtake them, leading to destruction. I confess that I have sown much and bring in little: I eat, but have not enough; I drink, but am not filled with drink; I am clothed, but there is none warm; I earn wages only to put it into a bag with holes. In this You as Lord of Hosts have said, "Consider your ways." (Haggai 1.6, 7)

I have gained money for the wrong reason (1 Timothy 6.9). I have not been a faithful steward (Matthew 25.21). I have robbed You of the tithe and offerings (Malachi 3.10). I have not honored You with my substance and with the firstfruits of all my increase (Proverbs 3.9). I have failed to give in gratitude for what I have received. I have failed to give in order to accomplish Your intended purposes. (2 Corinthians 9) I have dealt with a slack hand and become poor (Proverbs 10.4). I have slept in harvest and caused shame (Proverbs 10.5). I have failed to provide for my own and am as an infidel (1 Timothy 5.8, Proverbs 13.22). I say to You that I have sinned and perverted Your ways and it has not profited me. Deliver my soul from going to the pit and my life shall see the light (Job 33.27, 28).

I come to You in repentance, for I oppose myself. I ask You to grant me repentance to the acknowledging of the truth that I might recover myself out of the snare of the devil, who is taking me captive at his will (2 Timothy 2.25, 26). I repent of any sins in my life or my ancestors' lives that resulted in the curse of poverty. I desire to return unto the Lord my God. I desire to obey Your voice according to all that You command, I and my children, with all my heart, and with all my soul. Turn my captivity and have compassion upon me. Let me possess the land. Do me good and multiply me above my fathers. Circumcise my heart and the heart of my seed to love You that I may live. (Deuteronomy 30.2, 3, 5, 6) I ask for Your forgiveness and cleansing through the blood of Jesus Christ (1 John 1.9).

I come to You in faith, trusting in Jesus Christ alone for my salvation and for deliverance from poverty. I believe that Christ has redeemed me from the curse of the law, being made a curse for me: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangs on a tree. (Galatians 3.13) I appropriate what Jesus has accomplished for me by faith. I destroy the legal grounds allowing demonic forces entry into my life. I break all curses of poverty, lack, debt, vagabond tendencies, and all curses affecting my finances, character, soul, and relationships in my life in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ back to the sin of Adam.

I loose myself from all curses of poverty and lack, internal and external, that came as a result of all disobedience and rebellion to the Word of God. (Revelation 1.5, 6) Let me be blessed with the blessings of Abraham. (Galatians 3.13, 14) Let the blessings come on me and overtake me. Let me be blessed in the city and in the field. Bless fruit and increase, basket and store. Let me be the head and not the tail, above and not beneath, blessed coming in and blessed going out. Cause my enemies that rise up against me to be smitten before my face. Command the blessing upon me in my storehouses and in all that I set my hand unto and bless me in the land which You give me. (Deuteronomy 28.1-8) What God has blessed cannot be cursed, for a curse without a cause shall not come (Proverbs 26.2). Break generational curses operating. Set me free from every evil spirit and every curse of poverty, lack, debt, abortion, and destruction.

The blessing of the Lord makes rich, and He adds no sorrow with it (Proverbs 10.22). I am not my own. I have been bought with a price. (1 Corinthians 6.19, 20) I bind mercy and truth about my neck and write them upon the table of my heart that I may find favor and good understanding in the sight of God and man (Proverbs 3.3, 4).

I shall not say in my heart, "My power and the might of my hand has gotten me this wealth." I shall remember the Lord my God: for it is You, God, that gives me power to get wealth that You may establish Your covenant which You swore unto my fathers. I will not walk after other gods, nor serve them, nor worship them. (Deuteronomy 8.17-19) Where my treasure is, there will my heart be. I cannot serve God and mammon (Matthew 6.21, 24). The love of money is a root of all evil and can be a snare, leading into temptations and into many foolish and hurtful lusts. In coveting and wanting more, in gaining money for the wrong reasons, I have pierced and may pierce myself through with many sorrows. Therefore, I follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness, and fight the good fight of faith. (1 Timothy 6.6-12)

Grant me grace to be a faithful steward (Matthew 25.21). Let me pay the tithe (Hebrews 7.2, 5; Malachi 3.10), trusting You. Let me bring all the tithe into the storehouse that there may be meat in Your house, and I prove You now in this that You will open the windows of heaven and pour upon me a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it, and You will rebuke the devourer for my sake, and he shall not destroy the fruits of my ground nor shall the vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, and all nations shall call me blessed. I shall be a delightful land. (Malachi 3.10-12) The tithe opens the windows and belongs to You, my God. Therefore, I pay the tithe. I honor the Lord with my substance, and with the firstfruits of all my increase; so shall my barns be filled with plenty, and my presses shall burst out with new wine (Proverbs 3.9, 10). I give the first and the best, for if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy (Romans 11.16).

I also give offerings. I give in gratitude for what I have received. I give to accomplish Your intended purpose. I give and it is given unto me, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into my bosom, for with the same measure that I mete it shall be measured to me again (Luke 6.38). The offering is a seed and is mine to give. I sow bountifully and shall reap bountifully. I give as I have

purposed in my heart, cheerfully, knowing that You, God, are able to make all grace abound toward me; that I, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work. Multiply the seed I sow and increase the fruits of my righteousness. I am enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causes through me thanksgiving to God. In supplying the want of the saints, many thanksgivings are returned to You. (2 Corinthians 9.6-12) By Your grace, I give (2 Corinthians 8.1).

As I sow into the Kingdom of God, give increase, and grant me grace to reap, to harvest when the time of harvest is come. (Mark 4.3-29) You have said that the days come that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that sows seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt (Amos 9.13). Let it be so, Holy Spirit of God! I look with praise and in faith (Hebrews 6.12) for the harvest...souls saved, health, revelation knowledge of Jesus and the truth of God, true riches, **every need met** for me, my family, and the family of God. My God shall supply all of my need according to the abundance of His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4.19).

I am never forsaken, nor do my children beg bread. I am ever merciful and lend, and my children are blessed. I depart from evil and do good and dwell for evermore. (Psalm 37.25-27). My way of life is without covetousness. I am content with such things as I have, for God has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." (Hebrews 13.5) I have the One True God with whom I live in covenant. I am a Child of the Covenant of Grace, a Child of the Holy Spirit, the Body and Bride of Jesus Christ. The Covenant Lord is with me, and so I have good success (Joshua 1.5-9), and I am a successful and prosperous person (Genesis 39.2).

Let my offering be accepted (Mark 12.41-44, 2 Corinthians 8.12, 2 Corinthians 9.7). The liberal soul shall be made fat: and the one that waters shall also be watered (Proverbs 11.25). I am one that diligently seeks good and thus procures favor. I do not seek mischief that it might come unto me, nor do I trust in my riches, for then I shall fall (Proverbs 11.27, 28).

As I leave house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for Jesus' sake, and the gospel's, I shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life. But many that are first shall be last; and the last, first. (Mark 10.29-31)

I lend to the Lord in giving to the poor (Proverbs 19.17, Proverbs 21.13, 1 John 3.17). I lend unto many nations, and do not borrow (Deuteronomy 28.12). I do not borrow, for the rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender (Proverbs 22.7). The wicked borrow and pay not again, but the righteous show mercy and give. Such as are blessed of God inherit the earth, and they that be cursed of God shall be cut off (Psalm 37.21, 22). Whatsoever good thing I do, the same shall I receive of You, Lord (Ephesians 6.8).

When I vow a vow unto God, I pay that which I have vowed, for You, God, have no pleasure in fools. It is better that I not vow than that I vow and not pay. Do not let my mouth cause me to sin. Let me fear God. (Ecclesiastes 5.4-7)

Let me use wisdom in considering loans (Proverbs 6.1, 2; Proverbs 17.18). Grant me grace to provide for my own (1 Timothy 5.8) and to save (Deuteronomy 28.5, Proverbs 13.22). Poverty and shame come to those that refuse instruction, but I regard reproof and so I shall be honored (Proverbs 13.18). I fear the commandment and shall be rewarded. A good man obtains favor of the Lord (Proverbs 12.2). Therefore, I claim that there is none good but God (Psalm 14.1, Romans 3.10, 11, Matthew 19.17). I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus and have prosperity and blessing in my life only because of Him. I believe in the Lord my God, so am I established. I believe His prophets, so I prosper (2 Chronicles 20.20). I acknowledge Jesus Christ, Prophet, Messiah, Apostle and High Priest of my confession, King of kings and Lord of lords.

God gives to a man that is good in His sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner He gives travail, to gather and to heap up, that He may give to him that is good before God. (Ecclesiastes 2.26). It is good and comely for me to eat and to drink, and to enjoy the good of all my labor that I take under the sun all the days of my life, which God gives me: for it is my portion. As God has given riches and wealth, and has given me power to eat thereof, and to take my portion, and to rejoice in my labor; this is the gift of God. For I shall not much remember the days of my life; because God answers me in the joy of my heart. (Ecclesiastes 5.18-20) Wisdom is a defense, and money is a defense: but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom gives life to those that have it (Ecclesiastes 7.12). In the day of prosperity, let me be joyful, but in the day of adversity, let me consider: God also has set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him (Ecclesiastes 7.14).

Let me not be lazy, for then the building decays. Let me not be idle lest the house drop through. Money is the answer for everything. Let me not revile the king even in my thoughts or curse the rich in my bedroom, because a bird of the air may carry my words, and a bird on the wing may report what I say. (Ecclesiastes 10.18-20) I cast my bread upon the waters: for I shall find it after many days. I give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for I know not what evil shall be upon the earth. In the morning I sow seed, and in the evening, I withhold not my hand: for I know not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good. (Ecclesiastes 11.1, 2, 6)

I thank You, Father in Heaven, for what I have and do not deserve. I thank You that You are El Shaddai and Jehovah-Jireh, my Provider and the Source and Supplier of all blessing and increase. You are **I AM**; therefore, I have. I praise You this day, and in humility I trust in You for my daily bread. I thank You for prospering me...with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1, Colossians 1, 2), with mental and emotional well being (Philippians 4.7, 2 Corinthians 10.5, 1 Thessalonians 5.14), with physical health and wealth (3 John 2, 1 Peter 2.24, 2 Corinthians 9.8, Deuteronomy 28.15-61). I thank You. I am satisfied with all that You have given me in Jesus. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

PRAYER FOR AN OPEN HEAVEN

Heavenly Father,

I come to You today because I feel shut down, shut up, shut out, shut in. I appeal to You, O Lord, that Your wrath be not kindled against me, and the heaven be shut up, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and lest I perish quickly from off the good land which the Lord gives me (Deuteronomy 11.17). I seek to love the Lord my God and to serve Him with all my heart and with all my soul that You may give me the rain of the land in due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that I may gather in corn and wine and oil; that You may send grass in the fields for the cattle that I may eat and be full. (Deuteronomy 11.13-16)

I take heed to myself that my heart be not deceived, and I turn aside and serve other gods and worship them. Rather, I lay up Your words in my heart and in my soul and bind them for a sign upon my hand that they may be as frontlets between my eyes. I shall teach Your commandments to my children, speaking of them when I sit in my house and walk by the way and when I lie down and rise up. I shall write them upon the door posts of my house and upon my gates that my days may be multiplied, and the days of my children, in the land which You swore unto the fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth. (Deuteronomy 11.18-21)

Grant me grace to keep Your commandments, to love You and to walk in Your ways, and to cleave to You so that You drive out the nations from before me, and I shall possess greater nations and mightier than myself. Then no one shall be able to stand before me, for the Lord my God shall lay the fear of me and the dread of me upon all the land that I shall tread upon, as You have said unto me. You have set before me the blessing for obedience and the curse for disobedience. (Deuteronomy 11.22-28)

Let me be delivered from entanglement in the land, from any wilderness that would shut me in (Exodus 14.3). Let me be healed from leprosy and uncleanness that would shut me up or shut me out. (Leviticus 13; Numbers 12.14) Forgive me for provoking You to jealousy with strange gods, with abominations. Forgive me for sacrificing unto devils, to gods whom I knew not, to new gods that came newly up whom my fathers feared not. Forgive me for being unmindful of the Rock that begat me and for forgetting You that formed me. (Deuteronomy 32.16-18) Forgive me for sinning against You and teach me the good way wherein I should walk and give rain upon the land which You give to Your people for an inheritance. (See 1 Kings 8.29, 35-40, 52.)

Your Word says: *If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among My people; if My people who are called by My Name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal*

their land. (2 Chronicles 7.13, 14) Lord, open Your eyes and let Your ears attend to my prayer.

Forgive me for pride and deliver me from Leviathan, king over the children of pride, whose scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal (Job 41.15). Let me be glad and rejoice in Your mercy. Consider my trouble. Know my soul in adversities. Do not shut me up into the hand of the enemy but set my feet in a large room. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble. My eye is consumed with grief, yes, my soul and my belly. (Psalm 31.7-9)

Will the Lord cast off for ever? Will He be favorable no more? Is His mercy clean gone for ever? Does His promise fail forevermore? Has God forgotten to be gracious? Has He in anger shut up His tender mercies? And I say, "This is my infirmity: but I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most High. I will remember the works of the Lord. Surely I will remember Your wonders of old. I will meditate also of all Your work, and talk of Your doings. Your way, O God, is in the sanctuary. Who is so great a God as our God?" (Psalm 77.7-13)

God, let me be not as the scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites, who shut up the kingdom of heaven, neither going in myself nor allowing others to enter in. (Matthew 23.13) Deliver me. I am as one shut up in prison. Deliver me. (Acts 5) Let not the waterflood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me. Hear me, O Lord, for Your lovingkindness is good. Turn unto me according to the multitude of Your tender mercies. (Psalm 69.15, 16) Open blind eyes and bring out the prisoners from the prison and those that sit in darkness out of the prison house (Isaiah 42.7).

Your wrath lies hard upon me, and You have afflicted me with all Your waves. You have put away my acquaintance far from me. You have made me an abomination unto them. I am shut up, and I cannot come forth. I mourn by reason of affliction. (Psalm 88.7-9)

Open to me the gates of righteousness. I will go into them, and I will praise the Lord. Save now, I beseech You, O Lord. Send now prosperity. (Psalm 118.19, 25) Open my eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of Your law (Psalm 119.18). Open my lips, and my mouth shall show forth Your praise (Psalm 51.15). Open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys. Make the wilderness a pool of water and the dry land springs of water. (Isaiah 41.18)

You are the Lord and there is none else. You form the light and create darkness. You make peace and create evil. You do all these things. Let the heavens drop down from above and let the skies pour down righteousness. Let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together. You the Lord have created it. (Isaiah 45.6b-8)

Before faith came, I was kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed (Galatians 3.23). Grant me faith to trust, to believe, to obey.

You have promised that as I bring the tithe into the storehouse that there be meat in Your house that I may prove You if You will not open me the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it (Malachi 3.10). You have promised to open unto me Your good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto the land in Your season, and to bless all the work of my hand; that I shall lend unto many nations and not borrow (Deuteronomy 28.12).

My heavenly Father, I know that I am completely dependent upon You. Open the heaven and send angels to minister to me as You did for Jacob (Genesis 28.12). Grant me grace to obey You and please You that You may open heaven and that the Spirit of God may descend, as I have read of Jesus (Matthew 3.16, 17). Let me be filled with the Holy Spirit as was Stephen, to whom You opened heaven that he might see Jesus (Acts 7.55). Open the heaven as I seek You herewith with prayer and fasting for Your intervention as You did for Daniel (Daniel 7.13).

I thank You that Jesus Christ has opened the heavens (John 1.51). I thank You that because of Jesus, His blood and righteousness, I can come boldly to the throne of grace to obtain mercy and to find grace and favor in my time of need (Hebrews 4.16). Because of Jesus, You have promised to be merciful to my unrighteousness and to remember no more my sins and my iniquities (Hebrews 8.12). I thank You that Christ is entered into heaven itself to appear in the presence of God for me, to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself (Hebrews 9.24, 26).

Because of Jesus, I have boldness to enter into the holiest by His blood, and so I draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having my heart sprinkled from an evil conscience and my body washed with pure water. Grant me grace to live by faith and not draw back but diligently seek You. (Hebrews 10.19, 22; 11.6)

I rejoice in Jesus who is holy and true, who has the key of David, who opens and no one shuts and shuts and no one opens (Revelation 3.7). I rejoice. By this I know that You favor me, because my enemy does not triumph over me. Set me before Your face forever. (Psalm 41.11, 12) I shall yet praise Him who is the health of my countenance, and my God (Psalm 43.5).

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

WHEN YOU NEED A HIDING PLACE, A HAVEN, A SHELTER, A REFUGE

Heavenly Father,

I call upon You, for You will hear me, O God: incline Your ear unto me, and hear my speech. Show Your marvelous loving-kindness, for You save by Your right hand them which put their trust in You from those that rise up against them. Keep me as the apple of the eye; hide me under the shadow of Your wings from the wicked that oppress me, from my deadly enemies, who compass me about. (Psalm 17.6-9)

The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble, and they that know Your name will put their trust in You: for You, Lord, have not forsaken them that seek You. (Psalm 9.9, 10) The Lord is my refuge (Psalm 14.6). In the time of trouble You shall hide me in Your pavilion: in the secret of Your tabernacle shall You hide me; You shall set me upon a rock. And now shall my head be lifted up above my enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in Your tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises unto the Lord. (Psalm 27.5, 6)

Oh how great is Your goodness, which You have laid up for them that fear You; which You have wrought for them that trust in You before the sons of men! You shall hide them in the secret of Your presence from the pride of man: You shall keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues. Blessed be the Lord: for You have shown me Your marvelous kindness in a strong city. (Psalm 31.19-21)

You are my hiding place. You shall preserve me from trouble. You shall compass me about with songs of deliverance. (Psalm 32.7) You, God, are my refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. The Lord of hosts is with me; the God of Jacob is my refuge. (Psalm 46.1, 7)

Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusts in You: yes, in the shadow of Your wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be past. I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performs all things for me. He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of the one that would swallow me up. God shall send forth His mercy and His truth. (Psalm 57.1-3) I will sing of Your power; yes, I will sing aloud of Your mercy in the morning: for You have been my defense and refuge in the day of my trouble. Unto You, O my strength, will I sing: for God is my defense, and the God of my mercy. (Psalm 59.16, 17)

When my heart is overwhelmed, lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For You have been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy. (Psalm 61.2, 3) My soul waits only upon God; for my expectation is from Him. He only is my rock and my salvation: He is my defense; I shall not be moved. In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God. I trust in Him at all times; I pour out my heart before Him. God is a refuge for me. (Psalm 62.5-8)

Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer. Preserve my life from fear of the enemy. Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity. (Psalm 64.1, 2) I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust. Surely You will deliver me from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. You shall cover me with Your feathers, and under Your wings shall I trust: Your truth shall be my shield and buckler. (Psalm 91.2-4)

Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with You, which frames mischief by a law? They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood. But the Lord is my defense; and my God is the rock of my refuge. And You shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; yes, the Lord my God shall cut them off. (Psalm 94.20-23)

Hold me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto Your statutes continually. (Psalm 119.117) I cry to You. I pour out my complaint before You. I show You my trouble. When my spirit is overwhelmed within me, then You know my path. In the way wherein I walked they have laid a snare for me. I looked on my right hand, and behold, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul. I cry unto You, O Lord: I say, You are my refuge and my portion in the land of the living. Attend unto my cry, for I am brought very low. Deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I. Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise Your name. (from Psalm 142)

You have been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall. (Isaiah 25.4) The name of the Lord is a strong tower. The righteous one runs into it, and is safe. (Proverbs 18.10) The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but safety is of the Lord. (Proverbs 21.31) The fear of man brings a snare: but as I put my trust in the Lord, I shall be safe. (Proverbs 29.25)

There is none like You. You ride upon the heaven to help me, and in Your excellency on the sky. The eternal God is my refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and You shall thrust out the enemy from before me; and shall say, "Destroy them." (Deuteronomy 33.26, 27)

You make the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still. Then I am glad because they become quiet; so You bring me unto my desired haven. (Psalm 107.29, 30)

By two immutable things, in which it was impossible for You, God, to lie, You have given me a strong consolation, for I am one who has fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before me, which hope I have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters into that within the veil; whither the forerunner is for me entered, even Jesus, made a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek. (Hebrews 6.18-20)

Now may You, the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make me perfect in every good work to do Your will, working in me that which is well-pleasing in Your sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (Hebrews 13.20, 21)

In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen

A PRAYER FOR THE LOST

Heavenly Father,

I know that I am of God, and the whole world lies in wickedness, that is, under the sway of the evil one. (1 John 5.19) These are dead in trespasses and sins, walking according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now works in the children of disobedience, having their conversation in the lusts of their flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, by nature the children of wrath. (Ephesians 2.1-3)

These, as did I, walk in the vanity of their mind, having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart, who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But I didn't learn Christ that way. (Ephesians 4.17-20)

I know that the wrath of God will come upon the children of disobedience, and that even I was sometime darkness, but now am I light in the Lord, walking as a child of light. (Ephesians 5.6-8) Their eyes have been blinded, their hearts hardened, that they should not see with their eyes, not understand with their hearts, and be converted, that Jesus should heal them. (John 12.40) As with the children of Israel, their minds are blinded, a veil being upon their heart. Nevertheless, when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. (2 Corinthians 3.13-16)

The gospel is hid to the lost, in whom the god of this world has blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. Therefore, we in the Body of Christ preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves servants for Jesus' sake. God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, has shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. (2 Corinthians 4.3-6)

Your word says that if one shall confess with the mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in the heart that God has raised Him from the dead, that one shall be saved, for with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. There is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him. Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. (Romans 10.8-17)

Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. (Luke 5.32) Peter proclaimed by the Holy Spirit, “The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you slew and hanged on a tree. Him hath God exalted with His right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are His witness of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God has given to them that obey Him.” (Acts 5.29-32) God, You must grant repentance unto life. (Acts 11.18)

Grant to those opposing themselves repentance to the acknowledging of the truth, that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will. (2 Timothy 2.25)

Grant that a “preacher” be sent, and let the hand of the Lord be with them such that a great number believe and turn unto the Lord. (Acts 11.20, 21) May Your people be witnesses each day to a lost and dying world. (Acts 1.8)

Grant that the veil be lifted. (2 Corinthians 3.13) Father of glory, give unto them the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus, the eyes of their understanding being enlightened; that they may know what is the hope of this calling, and what the riches of the glory of this inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of Your power to those who believe, according to the working of Your mighty power, which You wrought in Christ, when You raised Him from the dead, and set Him at Your own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come, and You have put all things under His feet, and given Jesus to be head over all things. (Ephesians 1)

Grant that the Holy Spirit quicken those given to Jesus, for You are rich in mercy and love with a great love, saving by grace through faith. These cannot do it of themselves, for it is the gift of God, not of works, lest any one should boast. (Ephesians 2.1-9) May the Holy Spirit hover over the elect and protect them.

Father, I bind and ask You to bind Satan, and that which blinds the mind, that which holds captive. Cast down that which exalts itself against the knowledge of God, specifically pride and rebellion. Tear down strongholds, vain imaginations, vain philosophies and opinions. Bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. (2 Corinthians 10.5)

Father, it is not Your will that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. (2 Peter 3.9) Grant the elect an unction from the Holy One that they may know all things. (1 John 2.20)

The Spirit of the Lord is upon Jesus, whom You anointed to preach the gospel to the poor, to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. (Luke 4.18, 19) Let it be so to the elect, by the Spirit of God. Let them

hear and understand, see and perceive, understand with their hearts, turn and be healed. (Matthew 13.15) Bless them.

Let those who are predestined be called, and those called, be justified, and those justified, glorified. If God is for them, who can be against them? (Romans 8.30, 31) Let nothing be able to separate them from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8.39) Grant them grace and peace. Bless them with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ. Bless those chosen in Him before the foundation of the world, that they should be holy and without blame before You in love. Bless those predestined unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of Your will, to the praise of the glory of Your grace. Grant them redemption through the blood of Jesus, forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of Your grace. Grant wisdom and prudence. Make known unto them the mystery of Your will, according to Your good pleasure. Enable them to trust in Christ, hearing the word of truth, the gospel of salvation. Seal them with the Holy Spirit of promise. (Ephesians 1)

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness and the first-begotten from the dead, the prince of the kings of the earth, who loves His own, who looses them from their sins in His own blood, to make them kings and priests unto God and His Father, to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. (Revelation 1.5, 6) Loose these from their sins. Grant mercy and grace to them. Let not the enemy kill or destroy. Let Satan's power and influence be broken. Let the elect no longer live under Satan's control. Free them from his lies, seduction, deceptions, and demands. Raise them from death to newness of life. (Romans 6.4) Bring them out of darkness into light. (1 Peter 1.9) Bring them out of sin into righteousness. (Romans 6) I say, "Awake thou that sleeps, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light." (Ephesians 5.14)

Jesus Christ came to seek and to save those that are lost. (Luke 19.10)

I ask it for Your glory, by Your grace, in Jesus Name, Amen.

PRAYER TO RELEASE PEOPLE TO COME TO MINISTRY GATHERINGS

Heavenly Father,

Moses said to Pharaoh, “Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, ‘Let My people go!’” (Exodus 5.1) It is Your desire to bless Your people, to have them seek You, for You are our refuge and strength, a very present help. (Psalm 46.1) Bless our gatherings with Your presence and bring Your people to them that they might be filled with the knowledge of Your will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that they might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God. Father, deliver Your people from the power of darkness. (Colossians 1)

Enable people to come without hindrance for You have commanded that Your people show themselves approved unto God, workmen that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. (2 Timothy 3.15) You have commanded Your people to draw near, hold fast the profession of faith, consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, especially as we see the day approaching. (Hebrews 10.22-25)

Jesus said that if He be lifted up, He would draw all people to Himself (John 12.32). We ask that multitudes be drawn to Jesus as He is lifted up at our gatherings. Father, grant those needing repentance that they would repent and recover themselves from the snare of the devil holding them captive to do his will (2 Timothy 2.25). Let them hear Your Holy Spirit:

Repent and return to Me, ye peoples of the earth, for the time is short, and I am coming in judgment upon you that times of refreshing may come to those who repent and return to Me. Bring words and the sacrifice of praise, the praise of My glory, the praise of My glorious grace, the praise of My Son. Celebrate the victory of My Son’s Blood over death, over devils, over iniquity, for by and because of His Blood, your sins and iniquities and transgressions, your disobedience and rebellion, I remember no more.

Come, praise, be sanctified by the truth. Seek the truth. Know the truth that you may be set free. Follow not after the world or the things of the world, for these are perishing and mislead. They are false guides of no value, for I alone have value. I alone

am eternal. I alone am worthy. I alone love you with purity, in truth, in holiness. Separate yourself unto Me.

Father God, call in Your own from the North, from the South, from the East, from the West. Say, “Give them up, these that are Mine. Do not hold them back, for your claims upon them have been overcome by the Blood of My Son. The ransom has been paid. Release them to Me, to My servants of the gospel that they may know Me, their God, their Lord, their Savior, their Master, and their King.” God, You reign and You rule.

Father, we speak to souls that You would have hear by Your Spirit and say, “Come ye multitudes. Gather ye in from the ends of the earth. Come across the valleys and the plains, across the mountains and the rivers. Pass through, pass over, pass under. Come to God, for God’s Son is lifted up and the Holy Spirit draws you to Jesus and to those who praise Jesus.”

Father, let us celebrate. Let your Holy Spirit call the people by invitation. Draw them with the magnet of Your love. Let them come to Your anointed in whom You dwell that they may hear of Jesus and learn of Jesus and hearken to Your Voice. Call them forth. Break the shackles that bind their feet. Break the chains from off their wrists. Shatter the cages in which they are imprisoned. Loose the collar of steel from around their necks. These slaves of corruption, these servants of satan who are not his but God’s, these sinners blinded by the god of this age, by the prince of the power of the air, loose them now to come to Your servant, Your messenger of the gospel. Let them come by the thousands. Let them come from the far corners of the earth.

Those who are deaf, open their ears to hear Your invitation, Your call. Loose them and set them free to come to ministry gatherings, for the Spirit and the Bride say, “Come! Come to the waters for refreshment. Come in repentance and weep bitterly over your sin. Be loosed by the Blood of Jesus Christ.”

How shall they hear lest Your messenger preach? Let them come to the preaching of the cross. “Come ye people, ye sheep. Wake up from your slumber. (Ephesians 5.14) Arise and shine for the light has come to you, to your household this day. Tell your friends, your enemies, your neighbors. Come to God’s anointed servant by the multitudes.”

Father, give Your servants fresh oil, fresh manna, water from the flinty Rock. Let the dead in trespasses and sins come forth that Your servant may guide them to Jesus for deliverance through repentance. Let them come forth from the graves of destruction and receive repentance unto life.

I bind Satan, every principality, power, ruler of darkness, and spiritual force of wickedness in the heavenly places. (Ephesians 6.12) I bind the prince of the power of the air. I bind that one blinding the minds of God’s saints, God’s holy ones. I bind

Lucifer, Belial, Beelzebub, Leviathan, Asmodeus, Astaroth, Abaddon, Astarte, Diana, the Queen of Heaven, and all gods and goddesses which are not but which enslave.

Father, magnify Your Name, Your glory. Be lifted up. Allow the people to move toward You, not away from You, despite the cost to their flesh, to their plans, to their lives. Be glorified.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER

FOR UNITY AND ETHNIC RECONCILIATION IN THE BODY OF CHRIST

Holy Father,

You said to Abram, “I will bless them that bless you, and curse him that curses you: and in you shall all families of the earth be blessed.” (Genesis 12.3)

Your Son Jesus prayed that all may be one: as You, Father, are in Him, and He in You, that they also may be one in the Godhead: that the world may believe that You sent Jesus. (John 17.21) We know that Jesus spoke to His disciples: “All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. (Matthew 28.18-20)

We know from Luke 24.46-49 that it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem, that we are to be witnesses of these things, and that Jesus was sending the promise of His Father upon disciples that they be endued with power from on high.

Father, we receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon us to be witnesses unto Jesus, the plan being Jerusalem, all Judea, Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. (Acts 1.8) We know that the gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. (Romans 1.16)

In time past Gentiles in the flesh were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: but now in Christ Jesus those who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. For He is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of partition; having abolished in His flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in Himself of twain one new man, so making peace; and that He might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby, and came and preached peace to those which were afar off, and to those that were nigh. For through Christ both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. There should be no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God. (Ephesians 2)

Father, grant us grace to forbear one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as all are called in one hope of our calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in us all. (Ephesians 4.2-6)

Let us remember that Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangs on a tree: that the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that believers might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. (Galatians 3.13, 14) Grant us grace to walk in love because after that faith is come, we are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus, for as many of us as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for we are all one in Christ Jesus, and if we be Christ's, then are we Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. (Galatians 3.25-29)

Father, let us set our affection on things above, not on things on the earth, for we are dead, and our life is hid with Christ in God. Mortify our members which are upon the earth, for which things' sake the wrath of God comes on the children of disobedience. Help us to remember that we also walked some time in such things, but now by Your grace enable us to put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created us: where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all. Let us put on, therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering: forbearing one another and forgiving one another, if any one has a quarrel against any. Even as Christ forgave us, so also may we forgive. (Colossians 3)

May we remember that the end of the commandment is love out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned. (1 Timothy 1.5) God our Savior will have all people to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth, for there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all. (1 Timothy 2.3-6)

Father, You are no respecter of persons, but in every nation those that fear You and work righteousness are accepted with You. (Acts 10.34, 35) So may we not be partial in ourselves and become judges of evil thoughts. If we have respect to persons, we commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors, for whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, that one is guilty of all and becomes a transgressor of the law. Grant that we may speak and do as those that shall be judged by the law of liberty, for he shall have judgment without mercy that has showed no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment. (James 2)

Father, we want to join in singing of Jesus the new song saying, "You are worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your Blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and have

made us unto our God kings and priests; and we shall reign on the earth.” (Revelation 4.9, 10)

We want to sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, “Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are Your ways, King of saints. Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your Name? For You only are holy: for all nations shall come and worship before You; for Your judgments are made manifest.” (Revelation 15.3, 4)

Father, sanctify the Body of Christ through Your truth. Your Word is truth. Let us be one; as You, Father, are in Jesus, and Jesus in You, that the Body of Christ also may be one in You: that the world may believe that You have sent Jesus. (John 17.17, 21) We have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. (1 Corinthians 2.12) Therefore, we cast down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. (2 Corinthians 10.5)

Father, we oppose ourselves. Grant us repentance to the acknowledging of the truth, that we may recover ourselves out of the snare of the devil, who takes us captive at his will. (2 Timothy 2.25) Empower us to walk in love, to walk in truth, to walk in the light, to walk in grace, doing Your will with the mind of Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER FOR

AMBASSADORS OF JESUS CHRIST

Heavenly Father,

Grant me power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon me: and let me be a witness to Jesus both here and unto the uttermost part of the earth. (Acts 1.8) As people hear the message of the gospel, may they be pricked in their heart, repentant, gladly receiving the word of God. (Acts 2.37, 41)

I lift up my voice to You, God, and say, Lord, You are God, which has made heaven and earth and the sea and all that is in them; who by the mouth of Your servant David said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things? The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against His Christ. For of a truth against Your holy Child Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together, for to do whatsoever Your hand and Your counsel determined before to be done. And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto Your servant that with all boldness I may speak Your word, by stretching forth Your hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of Your holy Child Jesus. With great power let me witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and may great grace be upon me. (Acts 4.24-33)

Grant that I may speak boldly in the Lord and bear witness to the Word of Your grace. Do signs and wonders by my hands. (Acts 14.3) Let me be filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 13.52) Let the Word of God grow and multiply. (Acts 12.24) Grant that the multitudes keep silent and listen to me declaring how many miracles and wonders God has worked through me among the peoples. (Acts 15.12) Grant that the peoples in my influence be strengthened in the faith and increase in number daily. May the people consider that I, too, have turned the world upside down and come to them as well that they might repent and believe the grace of God. (Acts 16.5) May I confirm the souls of the disciples and exhort them to continue in the faith, and tell them that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God. (Acts 14.22)

Let my spirit be stirred when I see cities wholly given to idolatry. (Acts 17.16) Let me preach Jesus and the resurrection. (Acts 17.18) Let the Word of God grow mightily and prevail. (Acts 19.20) Let me declare all the counsel of God. (Acts 20.27) Let me preach the kingdom of God and teach those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no man forbidding me. (Acts 28.31)

As I go to my destination as determined by You, Father, let me have a prosperous journey by the will of God to come to that place, longing to see the people, that I may impart unto them some spiritual gift, to the end that they may be established and we may both be comforted by our mutual faith. Let me not be ashamed of the gospel of Christ for

it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. (Romans 1.10-16) Let me come not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring the testimony of God, but rather determining not to know any thing among the people save Jesus Christ and Him crucified. Let me come in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling, not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power; that faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. (1 Corinthians 2.1-5)

Let me be found faithful. Let me judge not mine own self, judging nothing before the time, for He that judges me is the Lord. (1 Cor. 4.1-5) Let me not trust myself, but in God which raises the dead, who delivers me from great deaths, and does deliver, in whom I trust that He will yet deliver me. May others help by prayer for me, that for the gift bestowed upon me by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on my behalf. By the grace of God, let me have my conversation in the world, and more abundantly to others. (2 Cor. 1.9-11) Seeing I have this ministry, as I have received mercy, let me not faint, renouncing the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully, but, by manifestation of the truth, commending myself to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. (2 Cor. 4.1-2)

The love of Christ constrains me. I am an ambassador for Christ, as though God did beseech others by me: I pray in Christ's stead that those who hear the message be reconciled to God. (2 Corinthians 5.14,20,21)

The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon me, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. My delight is in the fear of the Lord, and I shall not judge after the sight of my eyes, nor reprove after the hearing of my ears; but with righteousness shall I judge the poor and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth; Jesus shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. (Isaiah 11.2-4)

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good tidings to the meek; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn, to console those who mourn in Zion, to give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they may be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified. Strangers shall stand and feed my flocks, and the sons of the foreigner shall be my plowmen and my vinedressers. But I shall be named the priest of the Lord, and men shall call me the minister of my God. I shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory I shall boast. Instead of my shame I shall have double honor, and instead of disgrace I shall rejoice in my portion. In the land I shall possess double; everlasting joy shall be mine. (Isaiah 61.1-7)

No weapon formed against me shall prevail, and every tongue which rises against me in judgment I shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and

their righteousness is from Me, says the Lord. (Isaiah 54.17) In righteousness I shall be established; I shall be far from oppression, for I shall not fear; and from terror, for it shall not come near me. Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by You; whosoever shall gather together against me shall fall for my sake. (Isaiah 54.14,15)

No one shall be able to stand before me all the days of my life; as You were with Moses, so shall You be with me. You will not leave me or forsake me. Have You not commanded me: Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord my God is with me wherever I go. (Joshua 1.5,9)

This book of the Law shall not depart from my mouth, but I shall meditate in it day and night, that I may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then I shall make my way prosperous, and then I will have good success. (Joshua 1.8)

Let the gospel I preach not come in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit, and in much assurance. Let those who hear turn to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come. (1 Thess. 1.5, 9) Let my exhortation not come from error or uncleanness or in deceit. Let me speak, not as pleasing men, but God who tests my heart, not using flattering words or words as a cloak for covetousness, nor seeking glory from men, but as gentle, imparting not only the gospel of God but also my own life, not being a burden, but comforting. (1 Thessalonians 2)

May people pray for me that the word of the Lord may run swiftly and be glorified and that I may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men, for not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful and will establish me and guard me from the evil one. (2 Thessalonians 3.1-3) May I hold fast the pattern of sound words which I have heard, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. That good thing which was committed to me, may I keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in me. (2 Timothy 1.13, 14) May I be ready in season and out of season, convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. May I be watchful in all things, enduring afflictions, doing the work of an evangelist, fulfilling my ministry. (2 Timothy 4.2, 5) May the Lord stand with me and strengthen me so that the message may be preached fully through me. The Lord will deliver me from every evil work and preserve me for His heavenly kingdom. To Him be glory forever and ever. (2 Timothy 4.17, 18) May the God of all grace who called me to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after I have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle me. (1 Peter 5.10)

I bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Jesus Christ. (2 Cor. 10.5) May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with me. (2 Corinthians 13.11,14) In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THOSE IN THE FIVE-FOLD MINISTRY

Heavenly Father,

Jesus Christ Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry and for the edifying of the body of Christ until we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God to a perfect person, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head, i.e., Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body of the edifying of itself in love. (Ephesians 4.11-16)

Therefore, as prisoners of the Lord, as bondservants, as the servants of the Lord, to each one according to the measure of Christ's gift, as grace has been given us, let apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers walk worthy of the calling with which they were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with others in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, for there is one body and one Spirit, one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in us all. (Ephesians 4.1-6)

Let us put off the old nature, that which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of our minds and put on the new nature which was created according to God in true righteousness and holiness. Let us speak truth. Let us not sin in our anger and so give the devil a foothold. Let our hands work what is good in order to give to those in need. Let no corrupt communication proceed from our mouths but only what is good, edifying and ministering grace. Let us not grieve the Holy Spirit. Let bitterness, wrath, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from us. Grant us grace to be kind, tenderhearted, forgiving others as God in Christ has forgiven us. Let us be imitators of God and walk in love as Christ has loved us and given Himself for us. (Ephesians 4.17-5.2) Let us walk in light, having no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness. Let us walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time because the days are evil. (Ephesians 5) Let us have on the whole armor of God, being filled with the Spirit, praying always, being watchful with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints, boldly making known the mystery of the gospel. (Ephesians 6)

Let us do justly, have mercy, and walk humbly with our God. (Micah 6.8) Let us walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God, strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy, giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light. (Colossians 1.10-12) Let us

remain and continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, not moved away from the hope of the gospel which was delivered unto us. (Colossians 1.23) Let us preach Christ, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus, laboring, striving according to His working which works in us mightily. (Colossians 1.28. 29)

Father, open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which we are in chains, that we may make it manifest, as we ought to speak. May we walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time, and let our speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that we may know how we ought to answer each one. (Colossians 4.2-6)

Let the gospel come not in word only but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance. (1 Thess. 1.5) Let us be bold in our God. Let not our exhortation come from error or uncleanness or in deceit, but let us be approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, and let us speak not as pleasing men, but God who tests our hearts. Let us not use flattering words nor cloak covetousness nor seek glory from men when we might have made demands as apostles of Christ, but let us be gentle, affectionate, desiring to impart not only the gospel of God but also our own lives. Let us labor that we might not be a burden to any, but let others and God witness that we behave ourselves devoutly and justly and blamelessly, exhorting, comforting, and guiding as a father does his own children. (1 Thess. 2) Let our hope, our joy, our crown of rejoicing be those in our charge. (1 Thess. 2.19) Let us pray day and night for the saints that we might perfect what is lacking in their faith. (1 Thess. 3.10) Let us warn those who are unruly, comfort the fainthearted, uphold the weak, and be patient with all, pursuing good, rejoicing always, giving thanks in everything, not quenching the Spirit or despising prophecies, testing all things, holding fast what is good, abstaining from evil. (1 Thess. 5.14-22)

Father, let the word of the Lord run swiftly and be glorified, and let Your servants be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men, for You are faithful and will establish us and guard us from the evil one. Direct our hearts into the love of God and into the patience of Christ. (2 Thess. 3.1-5) Let us be examples for others to follow, orderly, laboring that we not be a burden to any, not growing weary in well doing. (2 Thess. 3)

Let Your servants understand that the end of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere, unmixed faith. (1 Timothy 1.5) Let us wage a good warfare and be temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach, not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous, but one who rules their own house well, having children in submission with all reverence, taking care of the church of God, not a novice, not puffed up in pride, having a good testimony among those who are outside. (1 Timothy 3)

Keep Your servants from giving heed to deceiving spirits and from doctrines of demons, from speaking lies, from hypocrisy, from things profane. (1 Timothy 4) Keep Your servants from the wine of the Queen of Heaven, from fornication and adultery, from betrayal, from disdain for the truth, from “porneia”, from “pharmakaia”, from idolatry,

from weariness, from the love of money. Let Your servants preach, teach, and live sound, healthy, correct doctrine, not being obsessed with disputes and arguments, not having envy, strife, reviling, evil suspicions, thinking godliness is a means of gain. Let Your servants pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness, fighting the good fight of faith and laying hold on eternal life, keeping the commandment without spot, being holy because You, O Lord, are holy. (1 Timothy 6; 1 Peter 1.15)

Let Your servants guard what was committed to our trust, having great grace. (1 Timothy 6.20) Let us not be ashamed of the gospel (Romans 1.16) to which we are appointed preachers, apostles, teachers, [prophets, evangelists], knowing whom we have believed and being persuaded that Christ is able to keep what we have committed to Him until that Day. (2 Timothy 1) Let Your servants keep by the Holy Spirit who dwells in us that good thing that was committed to us. (2 Timothy 1.14) Let us be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus, enduring hardship as good soldiers of Jesus Christ, being diligent to present ourselves approved to God, workers who do not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. Let us be vessels for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work. (2 Timothy 2)

All who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. Let us be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work, preaching the word, being ready in season and out of season, convincing, rebuking, exhorting, with all longsuffering and teaching, being watchful in all things, enduring afflictions, doing the work of an evangelist, fulfilling our ministry. (2 Timothy 3, 4)

Let the grace of God teach us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people. (Titus 2.11-14)

Let Your servants purify our souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, loving others fervently with a pure heart. (1 Peter 1.22) Let us sanctify the Lord God in our hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks us a reason for the hope that is in us, with meekness and fear, having a good conscience, suffering for doing good and not evil. (1 Peter 3.15-17) As each one has received a gift, let us minister it to others as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If anyone speaks, let that one speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let that one do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen. (1 Peter 4.10, 11)

Let Your servants rejoice as we partake of Christ's sufferings, being glad with exceeding joy, not being ashamed, but glorifying God, committing our souls to a faithful Creator. Let us humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God, casting our care upon Him. (1 Peter 5) May the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after we have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle us. (1 Peter 5.10)

Let us live by the rule that we are crucified to the world and the world is crucified to us, that we are crucified with Christ, that we crucify the desires of the flesh with its passions and lusts. (Galatians) Let us lay down our lives for the brethren, loving as Christ gave commandment, abiding in Christ by the Spirit given us. Let that love be borne out not only in word, but also in deed. (1 John)

Let us not preach Christ from selfish ambition, but out of love, knowing that we are appointed for the defense of the gospel. Let Christ be magnified in our bodies, by life or by death, so that for Your servants it is: to live is Christ, and to die is gain. (Philippians 1) What things were gain to us, these we count loss for Christ, counting all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord, for whom we suffer the loss of all things to gain Christ, being found in Him through faith in Him and having a righteousness which is from God by faith, that we may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, if by any means, we may attain to the resurrection from the dead, pressing on to lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of us. Let us press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 3)

And now, to Him who is able to keep us from stumbling, and to present us faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to God our savior, who alone is wise, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen. (Jude 24, 25) May the God of peace Himself sanctify us completely, and may our whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. You, Father, are faithful, and You also will do it. (1 Thessalonians 5.23, 24)

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE NATIONS

Heavenly Father,

I come to You in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ of Nazareth, the Incarnate Word, as Your servant on behalf of the nations. The scripture, foreseeing that You would justify the nations on the principle of faith, announced beforehand the glad tidings to Abraham, saying that in Abraham all the nations shall be blessed. (Galatians 3.8; Genesis 12.3, 18.18, 22.18, 26.4, 28.14) Father, we know that no one is justified by the law in Your sight, for the just shall live by faith. Yet the law is not of faith, but “the man who does them shall live by them.” I thank You that Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us...that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the nations in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. (Galatians 3.11-14)

It has been Your intent, in glorifying Your Son Jesus that they who are of the nations should be joint heirs, and a joint body, and joint partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus by the gospel. (Ephesians 3.6) Let us announce among the nations the glad tidings of the unsearchable riches of the Christ. (Ephesians 3.8)

Father, we thank You for your plan to redeem a people to Yourself, and to make You a Name, and to do for Your people great and mighty things. You redeem Your people from Egypt, i.e., the world, and from their gods, i.e., idolatry and the doctrine of demons. (2 Samuel 7.23)

We give thanks to the Covenant Lord and call upon Your Name that we might make known Your deeds among the peoples. We sing and talk of all Your wondrous works, giving glory to Your holy Name that the hearts of those rejoice who seek the Covenant Lord. (Psalm 105.1-4) You are the true God in the heavens and rule over all the kingdoms of the nations. In Your hand there is power and might, and none can withstand You. (2 Chronicles 20.6)

Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Covenant Lord and against His Anointed, saying “Let us break Their bonds in pieces and cast away Their cords from us.” He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; the Covenant Lord shall hold them in derision. Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, and distress them in His deep displeasure. You say to Your Son, O LORD, “Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion.” Messiah responds, “I will declare the decree: The Covenant Lord has said to Me, You are My Son. Today I have begotten You. Ask of Me and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron. You shall dash them to pieces like a potter’s vessel.” Hear, you nations, the voice of the Holy Spirit saying, “Now therefore, be wise, O kings; be instructed, you judges of the earth. Serve the Covenant Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Pay homage to the Son, lest He be angry and you perish in the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little, for blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.” (Psalm 2)

You rebuke the nations to destroy the wicked. They sink in the pit of their own making and those that forget God are turned into Sheol. Man will not prevail, and the nations

shall be judged in Your sight. I thank You, Father, that You shall put the nations in fear that they may know themselves to be but men. (Psalm 9.5, 15, 17, 19, 20) You frustrate the counsel of the nations and make the thoughts of the peoples of none effect. (Psalm 33.10)

All the ends of the world shall remember and turn to the Covenant Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You. For the kingdom is the Covenant Lord's and You rule over the nations. (Psalm 22.27, 28) You will be exalted among the nations and in the earth (Psalm 46.10). Let Your way be known upon earth, Your salvation among all nations (Psalm 67.2), and let the nations rejoice and sing for joy, for You will judge the peoples equitably, and will guide them (Psalm 67.4). Surely, all kings will bow down before You and all nations shall serve You. (Psalm 72.11) Your Name shall endure forever. Your Name shall be continued as long as the sun, and people shall bless themselves in You and all nations shall call You blessed. (Psalm 72.17)

We say to the nations that Jehovah reigns. (Psalm 96.10) He has made known His salvation (Psalm 98.2). The Covenant Lord is high above all nations, and His glory above the heavens (Psalm 113.4); so praise Him, all peoples. (Psalm 117.1)

The Covenant Lord has made bare His holy arm, i.e., the Messiah, in the eyes of all the nations. All the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God (Isaiah 52.10). Messiah shall sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him, for what had not been told them shall they see, and what they had not heard shall they consider. (Isaiah 52.15) The nations shall walk by His light, and kings by the brightness of His rising. (Isaiah 60.3) God, you have purposed to gather all nations and tongues that they shall come and see Your glory. (Isaiah 66.18)

Jehovah Elohim is truth. He is the living God, and the King of eternity. At His wrath the earth trembles, and the nations cannot abide His indignation. (Jeremiah 10.10) Unto Jehovah shall the nations come from the ends of the earth, and they shall say, "Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit." (Jeremiah 16.19)

To Messiah 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 is one which shall not be destroyed. (Daniel 7.14) The nations shall be gathered and brought down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, for I proclaim among the nations: Prepare war, arouse the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up. Let them assemble, for there Jehovah will sit to judge all the nations round about. (Joel 3)

I declare to the nations that Jesus Christ is God's Servant, chosen and beloved and in Whom God's Spirit dwells. He will declare justice to the nations and send forth justice to victory, and in His name shall the nations hope. (Matthew 12.18-21) All the nations shall be gathered before Him, and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. (Matthew 25.32)

Let the nations rejoice and sing and praise the Lord. Let the nations hope in Jesus Christ. Let the offering up of the nations be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit. (Romans 15.9-16) Let Christ be made known to all nations for the obedience of faith. (Romans 16.26) Let the elect of the nations know the riches of the glory of the mystery, Christ in you the hope of glory. (Colossians 1.27)

For this Jesus, being found in appearance as a man, humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Philippians 2.8-11)

Therefore, be it known to you, all nations, that repentance and remission of sins are preached in the name of Jesus, who died, was buried, and who rose again the third day, among all nations. (Luke 24.47) Upon the nations also the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out. (Acts 10.45) God has granted to the nations also repentance to life (Acts 11.18), and those of the nations who hear, rejoice, and glorify the word of the Lord and believe in Jesus have eternal life. (Acts 13.48, John 1.12)

Therefore, you nations, repent or perish, for now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. (Revelation 19.11-16)

He is coming quickly, and His reward is with Him, to give to every one according to his work. He is the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last, the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star. (Revelation 22.12, 13, 16) The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" And let the one who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let that one take the water of life freely. (Revelation 22.17) For He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming quickly." Amen. Even so, come Lord Jesus! (Revelation 22.17, 20)

Father, let the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with all of us who believe, and may the grace of the Lord Jesus, the love of God the Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with Your people as they come from every tribe and tongue beholding the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the cosmos through the blood of the everlasting covenant.

In Jesus' Name, to whom be glory forever and ever, Amen.

