

40 DAYS OF PRAYER

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As you begin each week, you'll read about a specific theme for the days ahead. Then follow these simple steps:

- **READ** through the Scripture and ask God to speak to you.
- **LISTEN** to what God might be saying to you through it.
- **PRAY** in response.

WEEK 1

This week you'll be reading and praying about God's special love for you. He created you out of an overflow of His love and wants to bless your life with His goodness. As you pray, know He's listening and delighting in you, His child, coming near.

God is glad that you're His and
even sings of His love for you.

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

Zephaniah 3:17

Replace “the world” with
your name today.

For God so loved the world, that He gave His
only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not
perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Grow my love for the Father.

Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.

John 14:21

I am known by Him
because of my love for Him.

But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

1 Corinthians 8:3

Others recognize I am
His because of how I love.

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

John 13:34–35

He knows us and even
"tattoos" us on Himself.

Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my
hands; your walls are continually before me.

Isaiah 49:16

Because He loves you,
our response is to love others.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love
one another.

1 John 4:11

WEEK 2

This week you'll be praising God for who He is and all that He is capable of doing. Your faith will grow as you read and pray about His power and as you ask Him for big things.

Nothing is impossible for God.
He wants to do even greater things.

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

Ephesians 3:20

Praise Him for creating.
That's who He is.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens.

Genesis 2:4

Praise the Lord.
It's good to sing.

Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

Psalms 147:1

Ask God to give you greater faith.

Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and thrown into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him.

Mark 11:23

Learn to ask the Lord today.

And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you;
seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be
opened to you.

Luke 11:9

What do you need to ask Him
to do for your body today?

If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Romans 8:11

Are you sick? Do you know someone who is sick? Ask boldly.

When He went ashore He saw a great crowd,
and He had compassion on them and healed
their sick.

Matthew 14:14

WEEK 3

This week you'll move into prayers of surrender as you continue to trust in God's character and power. He blesses those who fully give themselves to Him.

Surrender to His ways.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.

Proverbs 3:5–6

Deny yourself and take up
the cross. Surrender.

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

Matthew 16:24–25

Pray and listen for His
answer in faith.

And without faith it is impossible to please Him,
for whoever would draw near to God must
believe that He exists and that He rewards those
who seek Him.

Hebrews 11:6

Listen for God's voice today.

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

John 10:27

Pray as He leads you.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

Psalm 25:4–5

Listen to the Spirit today.

When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come.

John 16:13

Praise Him for being a God
who answers.

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

Psalm 118:21

WEEK 4

God honors those who do not give up in prayer. This week you'll ask Him to do some specific things and wait expectantly for His answer.

Ask today for the Lord
to move specifically.

And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you;
seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be
opened to you.

Luke 11:9

Learn to ask in the name of Jesus.

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

John 14:13–14

Ask with a pure heart.

You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

James 4:3

Ask and receive from the Lord.

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

John 16:23–24

Knowing He will answer, pray
today for patience to wait.

And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive,
if you have faith.

Matthew 21:22

He gave his Son for you. He'll give more. Have faith and seek.

He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?

Romans 8:32

He will tell you things
you do not know.

Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you
great and hidden things that you have not known.

Jeremiah 33:3

WEEK 5

We can trust God with our weakness and vulnerability. This week you'll find He moves near and gives us strength as we are honest with Him.

Confess your sin.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8–9

Give Him all your pain.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Matthew 11:28–30

He is near.

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up
their wounds.

Psalms 147:3

Forgive others.

Bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

Colossians 3:13

Love and pray for your enemies.

But I say to you, "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

Matthew 5:44

Love your enemies.

But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for He is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.

Luke 6:35

I can forgive because You forgave me. He sets the captives free. Be free.

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32

WEEK 6

All authority on heaven and earth has been given to Jesus. On this last week of your journey, you'll press into His power and ask Him to work in the unseen, supernatural world.

God's Spirit and power
lives within you.

Little children, you are from God and have
overcome them, for He who is in you is greater
than he who is in the world.

1 John 4:4

Stand firm, and the devil will flee.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

James 4:7

Ask God to help
you think true thoughts.

For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ, being ready to punish every disobedience, when your obedience is complete.

2 Corinthians 10:3–6

We overcome the world.

For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

1 John 5:4–5

Ask God to set you free from
bondage by His power and thank Him.

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

John 8:36



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