

PRAY FIRST

A stylized illustration of a hand with fingers spread, holding a glowing, sun-like light source with radiating lines. The illustration is rendered in a golden-yellow color and is positioned behind the word "PRAY" in the "PRAY FIRST" text.

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INTRODUCTION

Have you ever seen something someone else had and you wanted it? The disciples were the same way. They noticed that Jesus had something different when He prayed. They asked Him, "Lord teach us how to pray." These prayer guides will show you how to grow and connect with God through prayer.

I am a personal witness of Christ.

Acts 1:8

I am God's temple.

1 Corinthians 3:16

I am God's workmanship.

Ephesians 2:10

I may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Ephesians 3:12

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

I AM SAFE

I am free forever from condemnation.

Romans 8:1-2

I am assured that all things work together for good.

Romans 8:28

I am free from any condemning charges against me.

Romans 8:31-34

I cannot be separated from the love of God.

Romans 8:35-39

I am confident that the good work that God has begun in me will be completed.

Philippians 1:6

I am citizen of Heaven.

Philippians 3:20

I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and of self-control.

2 Timothy 1:7

I can find grace and mercy to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16

I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me.

1 John 5:18

DECLATATIONS OF FATIH

I AM ACCEPTED

I am God's child.

John 1:12

I am Christ's friend.

John 15:15

I have been justified.

Romans 5:1

I have been bought with a price. I belong to God.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

I am a member of Christ's body.

1 Corinthians 12:27

I have been adopted as God's child.

Ephesians 1:5

I have direct access to God through the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 2:18

I have been forgiven of all my sins.

Colossians 1:14

I am complete in Christ.

Colossians 2:10

I AM IMPORTANT

I am the salt and light of the earth.

Matthew 5:13-14

I am a branch fo the true Vine, a channel of His life.

John 15:15

I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit.

John 15:16

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"Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As He finished, one of his disciples came to him and said, 'Lord teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'"

Luke 11:1 (NLT)

LORD'S PRAYER

"In this manner, therefor pray:

*'Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptaion,
But deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen'"*

Matthew 6:9-13 (NKJV)

OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME

Worship the names of God, corresponding with the benefits in the new covenant, and make your fatih declarations:

NAME	MEANING	BENEFIT
Jehovah Tsidkenu	Our Righteousness	I am forgiven of all sin
Jehovah M'Kaddesh	Our Sanctifier	I am set apart for ministry
Jehovah Rapha	Our Healer	I have health & healing
Jehovah Nissi	Our Banner of Victory	I am secure & victorious
Jehovah Raah	Our Shepherd	I am led by the Holy Spirit
Jehovah Shalom	Our Peace	I have peace & sanctuary
Jehovah Shammah	The Lord is There	I have God's presence & power
Jehovah Jireh	Our Provider	I have success & provision

PRIDE PRAYER

(Proverbs 11:2, 16:18, 26:12; I Timothy 3:6)

Father, I come to You in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I know pride is an abomination to You. I renounce anything that would cause me to have pride in my heart in dealing with other people. I renounce these and turn away from them. I humble myself before You and come to you as a little child. (Stufy Proverbs 6:16-19. Also, remember that fasting is a means by which a person humbles himself before the Lord.)

GENERATIONAL BONDAGE PRAYER

(Exodus 20:4-6, 34:7; Numbers 14:18)

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I now renounce, break, and loose myself from all bondages or bonds of physical or mental illness upon me, my family or family line as the result of parents or any other ancestors. I thank You, Lord, for setting me free.

WARFARE PRAYERS

PROTECTION PRAYER

(2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1, 10:3-5; Romans 12:1,2)

Heavenly Father, I bow in worship and praise before You. I cover myself with the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ as my protection. I surrender myself completely and unreservedly in every area of my life to You. I take a stand against all the workings of satan that would hinder me in my prayer life. I address myself only to the true and living God and refuse any involvement of satan in my prayer. Satan, I command you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, to leave my presence with all your demons. I bring the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ between us. I resist all the endeavors of satan and his wicked spirits to rob me of the will of God. I choose to be transformed by the renewing of my mind. I pull down every thought that exalts itself against the knowledge of Christ and loose into myself a sound mind, the mind of Christ.

GENERAL CONFESSION PRAYER

(Romans 10:10; James 5:16; 1 John 1:7-9, 3:8)

Lord Jesus Christ, I believe that You are the Son of God. You are the Messiah, come in the flesh to destroy the works of the devil. You died on the cross for my sins and rose again the third day from the dead. I now confess all my sins and repent. I ask You to forgive me and cleanse me now from all sin. Thank You for redeeming me, cleansing me, justifying me, and sanctifying me in Your blood.

FORGIVENESS PRAYER

(Matthew 6:14, 15; Leviticus 19:18)

Lord, I have a confession to make. I have not loved, but have resented certain people and have unforgiveness in my heart. I call upon You, Lord, to help me forgive them. I do now forgive (name them). I also forgive and accept myself in the name of the Jesus Christ.

YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE

A. Nation, State, County and City

B. Church

1. Pastors
2. Group Leaders
3. Members
4. Vision of Church
5. The lost

C. Your family

D. Your self

GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD

A. Offer your requests to God.

B. Ask God to bless every area of your life.

FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS

A. Ask God to forgive you.

B. Forgive and release others.

C. Set your will to forgive those who sin against you.

LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL

A. Put on the whole armor of God.

1. Helmet of Salvation
2. Breastplate of Righteousness
3. Belt of Truth
4. Shoes of the Gospel of Peace
5. Shield of Faith
6. Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God

B. Pray for God's protection in all areas of your life.

FOR YOURS IS THE KINGDOM, AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY

A. Make your faith declarations.

B. Return to praise and worship.

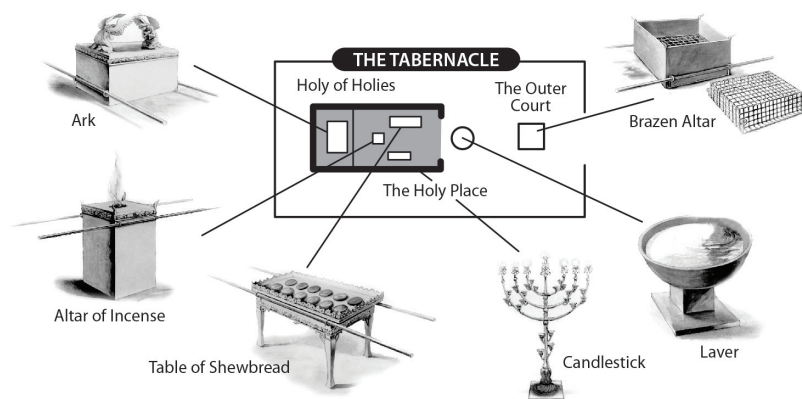
WARFARE PRAYERS

The Tabernacle was the dwelling place of God where He chose to meet His people. Each element of the Tabernacle is a guide that helps us to connect with God and symbolizes God's provision for us.

The diagram below shows the placement of the elements and how they serve to lead us into the presence of God.

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

2 Chronicles 7:14



THE BLOOD

The shed blood of Jesus is the ultimate defeat of the enemy. "They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony." Revelation 12:11

PRAYERS:

Lord Jesus, I confess to you all of my sins this day, yesterday and every day past. I repent and renounce them, those known and unknown, those of omission and commission, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do. I lay down at Your feet all of the sins of the flesh, the tongue, and of the heart, and all unholy thoughts and actions. Thank You, Lord, for shedding Your precious blood for me.

This day and each and every day I ask for protection over my spouse; each of my children; our immediate family members, relatives, friends, and acquaintances; and lastly for myself. I also ask today for protection during all of our travels; for our provision, finances, possessions, health, safety, and welfare. I put all of these things under the covering of Your precious blood and declare that satan cannot touch them, on this day or any day to come.

THE WORD

There is power in the Word of God

"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." Hebrews 4:12

PRAYERS:

I stand on Your Word. The enemy is driven out from before me, above me, around me, and below me; from my home, workplace, church and its ministries, children, and loved ones; from my works and labors, land, and my presence. I declare that he is not able to stand against me, and his works are taken captive and destroyed. No weapon formed against me will prosper, for the Spirit of the Lord shall raise a standard against them. I declare all of these things accomplished by Your Word.

Jesus, my Lord, I give You thanksgiving, praise, glory, honor and worship for Your righteousness and holiness given to me by Your Word on my behalf.

WARFARE PRAYERS

"The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ."

2 Chronicles 10:4-5

THE NAME

"[They] returned with joy and said, 'Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name.'" Luke 10:17

"Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."
Philippians 2:9-11

PRAYERS:

Father, Your Word says that no weapon formed against me shall prosper (Isaiah 54:17). Therefore I declare that now weapon formed against me prospers this day or any day to come in Jesus' name. Your Word says that trouble will not arise a second time (Nahum 1:9). Therefore I declare that Satan cannot make trouble for me again, in the manner, as he did in the past in Jesus' name.

I declare all of these prayers accomplished and brought to pass by trusting you through faith and expectation in the name of Jesus.

Below is description of how these elements allow us to connect with God as we enter His presence.

BRAZEN ALTAR - THE CROSS

1. Salvation
2. Healing
3. Redemption from the curse
4. A new nature
5. Provision

LAVER - WASHING/CLEANSING/PREPARING

1. Repentance from any known sin
2. Offering our body
3. Offering our mind
4. The fruit of the Spirit - Galatians 5:22-23

CANDLESTICK - THE HOLY SPIRIT

1. The seven Spirits of the Lord - Isaiah 11:2
 - a. Spirit of the Lord
 - b. Wisdom
 - c. Understanding
 - d. Counsel
 - e. Might
 - f. Knowledge
 - g. Fear of the Lord
2. The gifts of the Spirit - 1 Corinthians 12:8-10

TABLE OF SHEWBREAD - THE WORD

1. Fresh revelation of the Word

ALTAR OF INCENSE

1. Worship the names of God

MERCY SEAT (ARK) - INTERCESSION

1. My authority - spiritual, civil, family, and workplace
2. My family
3. My church - pastor, small group, members, and vision/mission
4. My city, nation, and the world
5. My needs

ARMOR OF GOD

“ Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the Gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind. be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.”

Ephesians 6:11-18

THE ARMOR OF GOD PRAYERS

THE HELMET OF SALVATION

Thank You, Lord, for my salvation. I receive it in a new and fresh way from You and I declare that nothing can separate me now from the love of Christ and the place I will have in Your kingdom.

THE BELT OF TRUTH

Lord, I put on the belt of truth. I choose a lifestyle of honesty and integrity. Expose the lies I have believed, and show me the truths I need today.

THE SHIELD OF FAITH

I believe that You are powerful against every lie and assault of the enemy. You have good in store for me. Nothing is coming today that can overcome me because You are with me.

THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

And yes, Lord, I wear Your righteousness today against all condemnation and corruption. Fit me with Your holiness and purity, and defend me from all assaults against my heart.

THE SHOES OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE

I choose to live for the Gospel in every moment. Show me where You are working and lead me to it. Give me strength to walk daily with You.

THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, Show me the truths of the Word of God that I will need to counter the traps of the enemy. Bring those Scriptures to mind today.

Finally, Holy Spirit, I agree to walk in step with You in everything as my spirit communes with you in prayer throughout the day.