

PRAYER TACTICS

Praise

- Praise God for His character and attributes
- Trust God for his promises in Scripture
- Thank God for his saving work in Christ and His provision in your life

Worship God for who He is and thank him for what He's done.

"Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness."

"We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near. We recount your wondrous deeds." (Psalm 29:2 & Psalm 75:1)

Pray Scripture:

"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!" (Rev. 4:8)

"Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord my God, you are very great! You are clothed with splendor and majesty, covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent." (Ps. 104:1-2)

"The Lord is the true God; he is the living God and the everlasting King. At his wrath the earth quakes, and the nations cannot endure his indignation." (Jer. 10:10)

"The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made." (Ps. 145:8-9)

"Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation." (Ps. 68:19)

"For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made." (Rom. 1:19-20)

"Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things." (Ps. 107:8-9)

"In love you have delivered my life from the pit of destruction, for you have cast all my sins behind your back." (Isa. 38:17)

"You shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you." (Deut. 8:10)

Regret

- Acknowledge your failure to love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength
- Confess your failure to love others as you love yourself
- Ask for God's forgiveness and cleansing
- Declare your desperate need for the Holy Spirit's grace and power to help you walk in obedience

Confess your sin to God and repent, lament what's broken, question your circumstances, and call on God's justice against evil.

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

Pray Scripture:

"O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift my face to you, my God, for our iniquities have risen higher than our heads, and our guilt has mounted up to the heavens." (Ezr. 9:6)

"Truly I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and this is what I did..." (Jos. 7:20)

"Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" (Isa. 6:5)

"If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared... hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities." (Ps. 130:3-4, 7-8)

"Therefore the Lord waits to be gracious to you, and therefore he exalts himself to show mercy to you. For the Lord is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for him." (Isa. 30:18)

"Rise up, LORD, in your anger... Let the evil of the wicked come to an end." (Ps. 7:6, 9)

"My God, I cry by day, but you do not answer, by night, yet I have no rest." (Ps. 22:2)

"How long, Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? How long will I store up anxious concerns within me, agony in my mind every day?" (Ps. 13:1-2)

"Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight... Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me." (Ps. 51:1-4, 7-10)

Ask

- Personal needs for growth, right loves, purity, and provision
- God's promises to be fulfilled
- Family members
- Church leaders and members
- Missionaries and ministries
- Persecuted believers
- Unbelieving family, friends, co-workers, and neighbors
- Unreached people groups
- Government leaders

Petition for specific needs in your life and intercede for others' needs.

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." (1 Tim. 2:1-4)

Pray Scripture:

"Please show me your glory." (Ex. 33:18)

"He must increase, but I must decrease." (John 3:30)

"If I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight." (Ex. 33:13)

"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. Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!" (Ps. 25:4-7)

"And now, O Lord God, confirm forever the word that you have spoken concerning your servant and concerning his house..." (2 Sam. 7:25)

"The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." (Num. 6:24-26)

"We have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light." (Col. 1:9-12)

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." (Mat. 9:37-38)

Yield

- What will it mean to walk in obedience to God's Word at home, work, school, etc.?
- What part(s) of my head, heart, or hands need to be surrendered to God? (i.e. personal fears, worries, sin, etc.)
- How can I serve and care for the body of Christ?
- How can I meet urgent spiritual and physical needs in my community?
- How can I meet urgent and spiritual needs around the world?

Submit your life to following Jesus wherever and however He leads you.

"I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God." (Acts 20:24)

Pray Scripture:

"Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." (Lk. 1:38)

"Not my will, but yours, be done." (Lk. 22:42)

"But he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong." (2 Cor. 12:9-10)

"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." (Jas. 4:7)

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship." (Rom. 12:1)

"Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God... You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body." (1 Cor. 6:19-20)

"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." (Gal. 2:20)

"Be still and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" (Ps. 46:10)

"Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ" (Php. 3:8)

"I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I find myself... In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being content—whether well fed or hungry, whether in abundance or in need. I am able to do all things through him who strengthens me." (Php. 4:11-13)