

Prayers for the Community



I. Pray for the sick

Luke 5:12-13 (NIV®)

¹² While Jesus was in one of the towns, a man came along who was covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he fell with his face to the ground and begged him, "Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean." ¹³ Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" And immediately the leprosy left him.

Ask and Receive

Mark 10:46-52 (NIV®)

Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (that is, the Son of Timaeus), was sitting by the roadside begging. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸ Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹ Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." ⁵⁰ Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. ⁵¹ **"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see."** ⁵² "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

II. Pray for the weary

Matthew 11:28-30 (NASB®)

"Come to Me, all who are weary (have worked to exhaustion) and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. ³⁰ "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Galatians 6:8-10 (NIV®)

The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. ⁹ **Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.** ¹⁰ Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

1 Corinthians 15:58 (NIV®)

Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

III. Rejoice with the triumphant

A. Great Victories

Philippians 4:4-7 (NIV®)

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Romans 12:15 (NIV®)

Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

B. Through Trials

1 Peter 4:12-13 (NASB®)

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you, which comes upon you for your testing, as though some strange thing were happening to you; ¹³ **but to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ, keep on rejoicing**, so that also at the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation.

Psalms 150:1-6 (NIV®)

Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. ² Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. ³ Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, ⁴ praise him with tambourine and dancing, praise him with the strings and flute, ⁵ praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. ⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, I rejoice today in the joy of my salvation. Your Word brings light and life to me. Holy Spirit direct my steps, illumine my mind and reveal God's wisdom to me. My hope is anchored in the victory of my Lord and savior Jesus of Nazareth. Through my days on this earth may his name be exalted and his kingdom extended, amen.

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