

Six Week Prayer Guide

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever.

Amen."

1 Peter 4:10-11

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WEEK ONE

TRUST/OVERCOMING ANXIETY

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Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. | Joshua 1:9

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults and with my song I give thanks to him. | Psalm 28:7

So fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. | Isaiah 41:10

Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit. | Jeremiah 17:7-8

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

...do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. | Philippians 4:6-7

*Psalm 56:3 | Psalm 62:8 | Luke 12:22-26 | 2 Timothy 1:7

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PRAYER

Lord, help us to not be anxious as we consider this building project.
Help us to rest in your promises to be with your people, to provide for us, to lead us and to strengthen our faith. Grant us grace to cast all our anxieties on you because you care for us. | 1 Peter 5:7

WEEK TWO

WISDOM AND GENEROSITY

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For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity, guarding the paths of justice and watching over the way of his saints. | Proverbs 2:6-8

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. | Proverbs 3:9-10

Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding, for the gain from her is better than gain from silver and her profit better than gold. She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. | Proverbs 3:13-15

One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered. | Proverbs 11: 24-25

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. | Matthew 6:19-21

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. | James 3:17

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*2 Corinthians 8:1-4; 9:6-8 | Philippians 4:19 | James 1:5

PRAYER

Lord help us to discern how to respond to your call to be generous with the resources you have entrusted to us. Grant us grace to be wise, faithful stewards of all that has come to us through your hand. Teach us to be cheerful givers and to deeply delight in your words that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." | Acts 20:35

WEEK THREE

UNITY IN LOVING ONE ANOTHER | PART ONE

STUDY | REFLECT | MEDITATE

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This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. | John 15:12

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. | Romans 8:38-39

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love. | 1 Corinthians 13:4-7,13

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. | Ephesians 4:1-3

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. | Philippians 1:3-6

*Romans 10:13-17 | Philippians 1:9-11

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Lord, help us to love one another as you have loved us. Unite our church family as we seek to glorify your name in this building project. Grant us hearts that are eager to pray for one another, encourage one another, and give wise counsel to one another. Protect our hearts from grumbling and complaining.

Let us be quick to listen, slow to speak, eager to forgive and abounding in compassion and loving kindness for one another. Help us to walk together in the fear of the Lord and the comfort of the Holy Spirit for that is how your church grows. | Acts 9:31

WEEK FOUR

UNITY IN LOVING ONE ANOTHER | PART TWO

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Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, 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. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. | Colossians 3: 12-17

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. | Hebrews 10:23-25

Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace. | 1 Peter 4:8-10

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WEEK FIVE

FAITHFUL WITNESS

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Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous

works among all the peoples! | Psalm 96:2-3

And you will say in that day: Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. | Isaiah 12:4

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "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. | Matthew 9: 36-38

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. | John 14:6

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. | Titus 3:4-7

*Luke 24:45-47 | John 3:16-17 | Romans 1:16 | Ephesians 2:4-10

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PRAYER

Father, bless Redeemer to proclaim your truth faithfully near and far so that many may hear and receive the good news of salvation through the completed work of Jesus. Grant us hearts that gladly support missionaries and ministries that glorify your name and your word. By your grace, make us a missionary sending church. May we be a church that welcomes all visitors with the love of Christ and may we be a blessing to Craig Ranch, the city of Mckinney and Collin County. | John 17: 25-26

WEEK SIX

GOODNESS AND SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD

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Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens 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 rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. | 1 Chronicles 29: 11-12

Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will stand. | Proverbs 19:21

Remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose, | Isaiah 46:9-10

Ah, Lord God! It is you who have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm!

Nothing is too hard for you. | Jeremiah 32:17

For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together | Colossians 1:16-17

*Isaiah 45: 18-19 | Mark 4: 40-41 | Romans 11:33-36 James 4:13-15 | Revelation 1:8 IJ

PRAYER

Father, your word tells us that you are the sovereign Creator, Sustainer and Ruler who alone possesses the rightful power and authority to accomplish your will in all things and that you do so with perfect wisdom and love.

Grant us grace to trust, obey, give thanks in all circumstances and glorify your name as we submit our lives and hearts to you. | 1 Timothy 6:15b-16