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MONDAY PRAYER GUIDE | SEEKING GOD

WORSHIP-BASED PRAYER seeks the face of God before the hand of God. God's face is the essence of who He is. God's hand is the blessing of what He does. God's face represents His person and presence. God's hand expresses His provision for needs in our lives. I have learned that If all we ever do is seek God's hand, we may miss His face; but if we seek His face, He will be glad to open His hand and satisfy the deepest desires of our hearts."

- Daniel Henderson -

"So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." - 1 Corinthians 10:31 -

All True prayer Exists for the glory of God And is Based in the worship of God Focused on the face of God Shaped by the Word of God Inspired by the Spirit of God Offered through the Son of God Aimed for the Will of God Experienced by true children of God - Daniel Henderson -

PRAYER POINTS:

Exercise | *Choose* an **attribute of God** and use that attribute in the form of a prayer (see Attributes of God page).

- 1. **Ask God** to search our hearts and minds of any places where we may have sinned. **Pray** that we would have the humility in terms of responding to the conviction of the **Holy Spirit** by way of acknowledging, confessing, and turning back to **Him**.
- 2. *Pray* that we would never lose the "awe of God" (that we would not become familiar with God), but that we would continue to *taste* and *see* His goodness.
- 3. *Pray* that our worship services would continue to lead all peoples into the Presence of God. *Pray* that we would have ears to hear and eyes to see what the Lord desires for each of us as we gather our hearts in worship.
- 4. *Pray* that God would increase, and we decrease for His glory. *Pray* that we would die to self daily.

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TUESDAY PRAYER GUIDE | LOVING YOUR NEIGHBOR

PRAYER is the best way to fulfill the greatest commandments. By praying for others, we not only demonstrate our **love for God**, but our **love for people**. In my opinion, I do not know what greater way one can display love other than bringing that person(s) into the **Presence of God** through *prayer*.

"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" And He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. - Matthew 22:36-39 -

PRAYER POINTS:

Exercise | *Choose* one of the 'One Anothers' (see 'One Anothers' page) and see which one of the 'One Anothers' that you struggle with the most and write a *prayer of confession* asking God to help you love in that manner

- 1. *Pray* that every believer would grow in one's ability to *give* and *receive* CHRIST-LIKE LOVE (unconditional).
- 2. *Pray* that our **love for Jesus** would overflow into how we **love people**. *Pray* that our love would have no room for *partiality* nor *favoritism*.
- 3. *Pray* that God would enable us to love the *least* and *lost* in the same way HE LOVED us (while we were still yet sinners).
- 4. *Pray* that every believer would be **built up** and **encouraged** in their faith as we continue to walk out all that **God** has called us to.



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WEDNESDAY PRAYER GUIDE | UNITY

Division and Hostility is all over. They both can be found in every area of life. Yes, they are even found inside the **Body of Christ**. That is why the **words of Jesus** found in **John 17** are so powerful. Jesus prays for all believers. I believe the best way to *cultivate unity* in the **Body of Christ** begins with *praying* and *fasting* for and alongside one another.

"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in Me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as You are in Me and I am in You. May they also be in Us so that the world may believe that You have sent Me" - John 17:20-21 -

PRAYER POINTS:

- 1. *Pray* that God would create in us a clean and undefiled heart, so that our love for God and love for one another would shine bright amid darkness.
- 2. *Pray* for a fresh wind and a fresh fire to continue to be kindled to fight the good fight of faith.
- 3. *Pray* that our eyes be fixed on Jesus the Author and Perfector of our faith.
- 4. *Pray* that God would move in our hearts as we step out in faith to sow seeds of love to those God places around us.
- 5. *Pray* for unity in the Body of Christ. *Pray* that all differences that can so easily entangle us be set aside for the glory of God. *Pray* that our hearts would break for what breaks God's heart.

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THURSDAY PRAYER GUIDE | KAINOS

There is a verse of scripture that reveals the **power of God** and **His ability** to make the impossible possible. May we all experience this verse as we step out in faith believing for new things in 2022.

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love Him." - 1 Corinthians 2:9 -

PRAYER POINTS:

CYPRESS CAMPUS:

- 1. *Pray* for volunteer structure and mobilization.
- Pray for salvations as the harvest is plentiful. Pray for hearts to be reconciled back to God. Pray for those who placed their faith in Christ Jesus to follow Jesus in believers' baptism.

DOWNTOWN CAMPUS:

- 1. *Pray* for a hunger and thirst for those in the Downtown community for the things of God.
- 2. *Pray* for new initiatives and ideas as to how to reach people Downtown with the Gospel.

SIENNA CAMPUS:

- 1. *Pray* that the Spirit of the Living God would grow the Sienna Campus deeper in faith, hope, and love.
- 2. *Pray* that the **Spirit of the Living God** would stir in the Sienna Campus a sincere hunger and desire for all things Christ.

DIGITAL ON-LINE COMMUNITY

- 1. *Pray* for wisdom to develop new content that would mature the believers in Christ.
- 2. *Pray* for a collective vison to utilize all digital platforms to point people to Jesus.

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FRIDAY PRAYER GUIDE | NATIONS

Every believer has an obligation and a part to play in fulfilling the **Great Commission**. *Every* believer is called to share the **Gospel**. May we find courage to open our mouths to speak truth in love.

"And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." - Matthew 28:18-20 -

PRAYER POINTS:

- 1. *Pray* for the **Bible translation** work that will happen because of *Kainos*.
- 2. *Pray* for the unreached/unengaged people in our city, nation, and world.
- 3. *Pray* that God would open their eyes to see and ears to hear His voice.
- 4. *Pray* to the Lord of the Harvest to raise up workers because the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.

'One Anothers' of the Bible

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Love one another John 3:34 – command occurs at least 16 times

Be devoted to one another Romans 12:10

Honor one another above yourselves Romans 12:10

Live in harmony with one another Romans 12:16

Build up one another Romans 14:19; 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Be likeminded towards one another Romans 15:5

Accept one another Romans 15:7

Admonish one another Romans 15:4; Colossians 3:16

Greet one another Romans 16:16

Care for one another 1 Corinthians 12:25

Serve one another Galatians 5:13 Bear one another's burdens Galatians 6:2

Forgive one another Ephesians 4:32; Colossians 3:13

Be patient with one another Ephesians 4:2; Colossians 3:13

Speak the truth in love Ephesians 4:15, 25

Be kind and compassionate with one another Ephesians 4:32

Submit to one another Ephesians 5:21; 1 Peter 5:5

Teach one another Colossians 3:16

Comfort one another 1 Thessalonians 4:18

Encourage one another 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Exhort one another Hebrews 3:13

Pray for one another James 5:16

Confess your faults to one another James 5:16



God Is Infinite – He is Self-Existing, Without Origin

"And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together." — Colossians 1:17

God Is Self-Sufficient – He Has No Needs

"For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son also to have life in Himself." — John 5:26

God is Omnipotent - He Is All Powerful

"By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, their starry host by the breath of His mouth." — Psalm 33:6

God Is Omniscient - He Is All-Knowing

"Remember the former things, those of long ago; I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me. I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say: My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please." — Isaiah 46:9-10

God Is Omnipresent - He Is Always Everywhere

"Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend to heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the dawn, if I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, even there Your hand will lead me, and Your right hand will lay hold of me." — Psalm 139:7-10

God Is Wise - He Is Full of Perfect, Unchanging Wisdom

"Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways!" — Romans 11:33

God Is Faithful – He Is Infinitely, Unchangingly True

"If we are faithless, He remains faithful— for He cannot deny himself." — 2 Timothy 2:13

God Is Merciful – He is Infinitely, Unchangeably Compassionate and Kind

"I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion.' So then it does not depend on the man who wills or the man who runs, but on God who has mercy." — Romans 9:15-16

God Is Gracious - God Is Infinitely Inclined to Spare the Guilty

"The LORD is gracious and merciful; Slow to anger and great in lovingkindness." — Psalm 145:8

God Is Immutable – He Never Changes

"I the Lord do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed." — Malachi 3:6