

52 DAYS

PRAYER GUIDE

INTRODUCTION

We do not become experts in prayer—prayer is something in which we are always growing.

It's the activity given to us on the earth to intimately connect with God, to engage Him, and to pull heaven down to earth—*your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth AS IT IS in heaven.*

During the next several weeks we will have weekly focuses of prayer. These prayer focuses are not meant to last only a few minutes and then we move on with our day. These are prayers for us to pray daily, each week, crying out to God in faith.



WEEK 1

Believing for Change

Pray for a passion for prayer.

Mark 9:29 TPT *He answered them, "This type of powerful spirit can only be cast out by fasting and prayer."*

*Consider adding fasting into this 52-day experience.

Mark 9:29 NIV *He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer."*

Mark 9:29 MSG *He answered, "There is no way to get rid of this kind of demon except by prayer."*

Example prayer to help: Jesus, I thank you for praying for me. Thank you for your desire to connect with me, know me, and help me fulfill your purpose for my life. Today, I ask you for a passion to pray, welling up inside of me—that above all else, I would desire connecting with you in the place of prayer. Help me believe that miracles happen through prayer—nothing is impossible through prayer—and cause me to see prayer as a “get to” not a “have to”. Thank you for the gift of connecting with you through prayer. In Jesus name I pray, amen.

Pray that our heart would align with God's heart.

Nehemiah 1:3–4 NLT *They said to me, "Things are not going well for those who returned to the province of Judah. They are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem has been torn down, and the gates have been destroyed by fire." 4 When I heard this, I sat down and wept. In fact, for days I mourned, fasted, and prayed to the God of heaven.*

Proverbs 4:23 NLT *Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life.*

Before we act we think it in our heart, so the best way to make our actions what God wants them to be is to pray.

Example prayer to help: Today, Father God, I thank you for being a loving God—for caring deeply for me, and for caring and loving those who are struggling and in need. Thank you for being involved in our lives and not quitting on us. I ask you, Father, to cause my heart to break for the things that break your heart and cause my heart to feel joy for the things that bring you joy. Truly align my heart with your heart. In Jesus name I pray, amen.