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*Disciples Making Disciples*



## **Corporate Prayers**

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## INTRODUCTION

Prayer and fasting are great tools the Lord gives us to achieve breakthrough in those stubborn areas of our lives.

Do you feel stuck?

Is there one area of your life that just won't change, no matter how hard you work, believe and cry out to the Lord?

When the enemy holds ground in one part of our life, it tends to consume most of our thoughts.

That one area can cost us emotional health, quality relationships, and even the ability to enjoy life.

But we don't have to put up with it. It's time to fight back! Fasting is God's secret weapon against the enemy's strongholds. Jesus even said that some evil spirits cannot be cast out except by prayer and fasting. That should tell us a lot about the power of this weapon—it's basically God's nuclear option.

Are you ready for breakthrough?

Are you ready for the walls to come down?

Let's go!

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13 · The Disciple's Daily Prayer

*Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.*

(Beginning in relational address and reverence)

*Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.*

(Daily request for His Kingdom to be strengthened and advanced)

*Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.*

(Daily request for provision [Word, Life {Breath}, sustenance] bi-directional\unilateral forgiveness)

*And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.*

(Keep our attention and intention from the temptations of this world and our flesh, as we seek His leading and as we confront and expel evil [spirits])

*For Thine is the kingdom the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

("For" echos therefore, because or since, it is His Kingdom we are adopted into and are a part of, His Power we operate in and from and all to and for His Glory, which we seek continually)

# PRAYER & FASTING GUIDE

## **SEPTEMBER 12 // Repentant Heart**

A repentant heart is a driving force in making Godly decisions. It is a heart driven to serve the Lord and guided by the Holy Spirit. Refuse to be defeated by Satan and choose to live in the victory through Christ.

*SCRIPTURE: Even now declares the Lord, return to Me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning. Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love and He relents from sending calamity. - Joel 2:12-13*

**PRAY:** Father, give me a repentant heart. Give me a heart that is always changing to serve you. Motivate my heart to always seek Your ways and hear Your guidance through the Holy Spirit. Forgive me when I go in the wrong direction. Turn me back to Your heart. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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**SEPTEMBER 15 // Transgressions**

All humans have transgressions and/or iniquities that deserve punishment because no one is holy compared to an absolutely righteous and holy God. BUT GOD... God has an eternal plan of peace through propitiation; He punished Jesus instead of punishing us.

SCRIPTURE: *But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on Him, and by His wounds we are healed.* -Isaiah 53:5

PRAY: Scripture says; *We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all* (Isaiah 53:6). Lord, my iniquities are severe against You, a Holy and righteous God. I praise You for Your eternal plan of salvation and propitiation through Your Son; that you allowed Him to take my punishment, the wounds that were meant for me because of my transgressions. I praise You that His blood on the cross covers my transgressions against You, Father, and that through His piercings I am allowed peace.

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**SEPTEMBER 22 // Sharing Gods' Eternal Love**

Most children love getting gifts. A lot of times, they look at the wrapped gift, try to guess what is in it, then with great excitement and passion tear the paper off to see what is inside. We have been given the greatest, most long-lasting gift ever. It is the gift of eternal life through our belief and faith in Jesus Christ. Do you keep your gift wrapped up and no one sees? It is not only our privilege but God's command that we unwrap our gift and share it with those around us. This week, pray for the one who is close to you but far from God ... and on their way to hell. Ask God to soften their heart and give an opportunity to share what Christ means to you and can mean for them. Their eternal destiny is at stake.

SCRIPTURE: My Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in Him shall have eternal life... -John 6:40

PRAY: Precious Holy Father, work in (name of person)'s heart. Open the door and grant me obedience to the Spirit to share your salvation through Christ. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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**SEPTEMBER 26 // Prayer & Fasting**

In the stress and clutter of everyday life, does it seem like God is far away? Jesus often withdrew into the wilderness not only to pray but also, to fast. Biblical fasting, going without food for a period of time, is a private experience between you and God. We are not required to fast, but it is very beneficial to our walk with God. Followers of Christ practice different forms of fasting for different purposes: discipline, humbling yourself before God, distress & grief, for guidance in making important decisions as well as drawing into a deeper, closer relationship with God. Maybe your “wilderness” is a quiet park bench, the solitude of your kitchen table with no television, radio or cell phone or any place where you can draw closer to God and separate yourself from distractions of the world.

SCRIPTURE: *And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.* - Matthew 6:16-18

PRAY: God, help me to seek a spiritual “wilderness” experience where I can focus solely on my relationship with You. Remove all distractions of this world and strengthen my desire to know Your will for my life.

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**OCTOBER 27 // Waiting on the Lord**

One important warning of the Bible is the call to “wait on the Lord.” Even though God promises special blessing for waiting, waiting is one of the most difficult things to do. As humans we are prone to take matters into our own hands... Yet over and over we are told in scripture to “wait”. Waiting is a vital element in life. The ability to wait on the Lord stems from being confident and focused on who God is and in what He is doing. Waiting involves seeking the Lord in His Word (reading the Bible), in prayer and in meditating on who God is.

SCRIPTURE: *I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.* -Psalm 130:5-6

PRAY: Dear Lord, help me to remain faithful in this place of waiting. Help me to serve and live for You even in the crossroads of my life. I pray that I will wait patiently as long as it takes for You to show me when to plow, when to sow, and when to reap. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

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## NOVEMBER 17 // Spiritual Warfare

Believer, do not be naive or deceived, you know the battle is real. You have been warned of the enemy, his tactics and objectives, so be alert. You have been equipped and empowered with the Holy Spirit to not only defend territory, but you are also commissioned to engage and demolish strongholds. Do not be defenseless or under- equipped prey, there are no innocent bystanders on the spiritual battlefield. Take hold of your whole armor of God and fight!

SCRIPTURE: *Finally, be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. -Ephesians 6:10-12*

PRAY: Our Great Commander and Defender, help us to put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, we may be able to stand our ground, and after we have done everything, to stand. We stand firm then, with the belt of Truth buckled around our waist, with the breastplate of Righteousness in place and with our feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the Gospel of Peace. In addition to all this, we take up the shield of Faith, with which we can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. We also take the helmet of Salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. We pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, we will be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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