

1-6 August Prayer point - Matthew 6:31-34

"So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or "What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

Gracious Father, help us keep our eyes focused on your Kingdom, our hearts centred on you, our minds illuminated by your word, and our spirit empowered and cleansed by your Spirit. Father, please forgive us when we are distracted by things that don't really matter. Father, too often we allow worry and fretful fears to overtake our heart and mind, which causes our faith to falter when we should be looking to You and remembering Your never-failing faithfulness. Thank You for the simple truth in the Sermon on the Mount, that God knows all our needs and will never leave us comfortless. Help us to always remember that if You feed the birds of the air and clothe the flowers of the field so beautifully, You will most certainly take care of Your children, who have trusted Christ for salvation. Help us to keep the eyes of our heart on Jesus and not on the circumstances of life.

Help us to ignore worries, doubts, and fears, knowing that you have the power to provide for our needs. Heavenly Father, we know that when we worry, we have moved away from trusting You and all that Your Word has promised. Help us to be focused on Christ, rather than focused on self. Thank You that You are sufficient to provide all we need, just when we need it.

Use your word, your Spirit, and your people to help call us back to a proper set of priorities. From now on, may we seek Your kingdom and righteousness first, knowing that You are our great Provider. Please bless us as we make your Kingdom and your righteousness our consuming passion. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

8-14 August

Prayer point - Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.

Heavenly Father, we acknowledge that you are God alone. Your thoughts and your ways are high above our ways. You are good. And so, with the author of Proverbs 3, we say we trust in you with all our hearts. We don't want to lean on our own understanding. Lord, please give us the heart to trust you completely. Help us fight the pride of leaning on our own knowledge and intelligence. May we be faithful in thanksgiving to all You have given us, and may we follow your teaching. We hand every area of our lives over to you, acknowledging that you know best for each situation.

Lord, we ask that you would direct our ways. While it's easy for us to worry, to try and take control of our lives, our families, and our futures, we confess that you belong on the throne, not us. In Jesus name, Amen.



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15-21 August Prayer point - Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Glorious God, we thank you that we can come to you in prayer and lay our troubles and anxieties at you feet. You know our every situation, good, bad, happy or sad, easy or anxious. We know Prayer can eradicate anxiety and bring peace of mind. Powerful God, please give us strength. Give us courage to do what we need to do. Be with us, strengthen us, and bless us today. Thank You, that You are a God who listens to our hearts cry and answers our prayers. We remember always those who struggle in life for whatever reason, Lord we pray through us they can be guided to you and know your peace. We pray for the forgotten, the lonely and those whom seem unlovable on the outskirts of community life, Lord we pray they are accepted as Jesus accepted all. We remember those who are ill, receiving treatment, Lord we pray for strength and healing for them and strength for those providing care. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

22-28 August

Prayer point-John 16:33

"In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Loving God you have assured us of victory before we even start to pray and we give thanks for that. We pray with confidence in you. We know and give thanks that we are victorious in the Name of Jesus Christ. We pray to align with God and enforce that victory. The battle has been fought on our behalf. The victory is ours in the Name of Jesus Christ. Whatever we are facing, we praise you and know that that through your unfailing love for us the victory is already ours? We pray for our children and young people that you can be known to more of them. We pray they have no anxieties in life whither through friends, study and exams and the results they get. Guide them on life's journey. In the name of our precious Lord and saviour, Amen.

29-31 August

Prayer point-Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Lord, our God, bestow our hearts with strength and courage to face whatever trials and tribulations lie ahead. Fill us with your Spirit of peace. We wish to do all things and live our daily lives in accordance with your Holy Will, keeping evil at bay no matter what the circumstances. Give all your people faith and hope and the greatest trust in your Will for their lives, that through their faith others too may receive something from you and may lift their eyes to you, the God of truth, of justice, of salvation, and of peace. Be with us every day, Lord God. Help us. Bless us, and bless all who try to bring help where it is needed. Let us praise your name forevermore! Amen.



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