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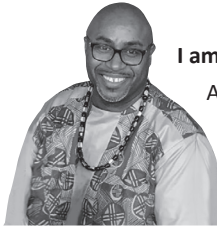
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Introduction



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As we look back over 2020, it's not hard to see that if it had not been the Lord who was on our side, we could not have survived.

We are therefore devoting this month to thanksgiving and gratitude for God's amazing grace. Here is a useful article on:

The Power of a Grateful Heart, 7 Things It Can Do:

1. It gets our eyes off ourselves, and helps us to focus back on God.
2. It reminds us we're not in control, but that we serve a Mighty God who is. It keeps us in a place of humility and dependency on Him, as we recognize how much we need Him.
3. It helps us to recognize we have so much to be thankful for, even all of the little things, which often we may forget to thank Him for...but they really are the biggest, most important things in this life. It takes our attention off of our problems and helps us instead to reflect on, to remember, the goodness of His many blessings.
4. It reminds us that God is the Giver of all good gifts. We were never intended to be fully self-sufficient in this life. A grateful heart reminds us that ultimately God is our Provider, that all blessings and gifts are graciously given to us by His hand.

5. A heart of gratitude leaves no room for complaining. For it is impossible to be truly thankful and filled with negativity and ungratefulness at the same time.
6. It makes the enemy flee. The forces of darkness can't stand to be around hearts that give thanks and honor to God. Our praise and thanksgiving will make them flee.
7. It opens up the door for continued blessings. It invites His presence. Our spirits are refreshed and renewed in Him. God loves to give good gifts to His children. He delights in our thankfulness and pours out His Spirit and favor over those who give honor and gratitude to Him.

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TIME TO STORM THE HEAVENS

- We pray that there will be a prayer revival in our nation
- We pray for answers
- We prayer for our government
- We pray for healing.
- We pray for the encamping of Angels round about our dwelling.





GUIDANCE ON PRAYER:

Key texts: Eph 6:18, Phil 4:6, Rom 8:26, Col 4:2, Ps 22:3, Jude 20,
Ps 38:9, Ps 6:8, Matt 11:12, Eph 5:18-20, Ps 46:10

Introduction to Prayer

The word 'prayer' has both a specific and a generic meaning. Specifically, it is speaking with God. Generically, it embraces the broad spectrum of ways in which we communicate with the Almighty. This means that there are many different ways, types, and forms of prayer. Paul instructs the Ephesian church to pray always with all types of prayer.

Here are 10 types of prayer mentioned in the scriptures, as well as how to pray them effectively.

1. **Supplication:** (*Acts 1:14, Eph 6:18, Phil 4:6*)

Supplication comes from the Greek word 'deesis' and primarily means 'a wanting or need'. Therefore, supplication is the act of presenting needs or desires to God. Unfortunately, this is all that prayer involves for most people. By itself, supplication falls short of quality praying.

2. **Intercession:** (*1 Tim 2:1, Is 59:16, Rom 8:26*)

Intercession comes from the Hebrew word 'poga' meaning 'to cause to intercede (intervene on behalf of another)'. Intercession is always an act of intervention, of going between others and God or others and the devil. It is otherwise known as standing in the gap (Ez 22:30). It is praying on behalf of or instead of another.

3. **Thanksgiving:** (*Phil 4:6, Col 4:2, Ps 100:4*)

The prayer of thanksgiving is a faith prayer. It is usually associated with thanking God in advance for answering your prayers. Time should always be allocated in prayer for thanksgiving. During this time, you should detail in itemised fashion everything that you believe you have received in prayer. General thanksgiving is usually lip service. Sometimes in prayer, the Holy Spirit will prompt you to stop asking and just start thanking! Prayer should begin and end with a time of thanksgiving.



4. Praise: (*Ps 22:3, Ps 100:4, II Chr 20:21-24*)

Intimacy with God is never developed if all you ever do is pray, ‘Lord, give me...’ Praise means ‘to speak well of’. Praising God means more than saying, ‘Praise the Lord.’ In prayer, it has to do with magnifying His attributes, character, and works. Praise is usually offered to God out of gratitude for what He has done, recognition of what He is doing, or faith for what He will do in the future. The prayer of praise is excellent by itself as well as with other forms of prayer. Not only does it invite the presence of God into your circumstance, it releases confusion into the enemy’s camp.

5. Praying With the Spirit: (*Rom 8:26, I Cor 14:2-15, Jude 20*)

‘For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men but unto God.’ I Cor 14:2.

The Spirit helps us to pray by making intercession through us in a language unknown to us. When praying this way, we are praying about things in perfect harmony with the will of God. This kind of praying bypasses the human intellect/mind and is totally supernatural in character. Every Christian ought to pray with the Spirit daily.

6. Groaning: (*Rom 8:26, Ps 38:9, Ps 102:19-20, Jn 11:38*)

Sometimes in prayer, words will cease to be adequate and groanings will take their place. This again is the Spirit helping us in prayer. Genuine groanings cannot be bought on at will, but will be the result of the Spirit overwhelming you with a burden. When a person is groaning in the Spirit, he/she can appear to be in agony. (Luke 22:44) Though words are not said, these groanings speak volumes to God.

7. Weeping: (*Ps 6:8, Joel 2:12, Ps 39:12, Ps 126:5, Ps 56:8, Heb 5:7*)

Scripture clearly reveals that God hears, understands, and is acquainted with the tear-language! Weeping for a need, as opposed to simply having a feeling for a need, is by itself a powerful form of prayer.

8. Warfare Praying: (*Eph 6:12-18, Matt 11:12, Matt 16:19*)

Warfare praying is violent praying directed against any force that opposes the Kingdom of God. All the spiritual weapons of war are used at this time, including the blood of the Lamb, the



word of God, the name of Jesus and the authority of the believer to bind and loose. This is an authoritative prayer in which commands, orders or demands are made/given in Jesus' name. The Holy Ghost may lead you into intense battle through this kind of praying.

9. Psalms: (*Eph 5:18-20, Acts 16:25, The Book of Psalms*)

The word 'psalms' means 'songs'. Much of David's prayer life involved singing songs to God. David simply sang his prayer rather than just saying it. Praying like this does not demand great song-writing skill. Notice that most of the psalms do not rhyme. Your psalms (prayer songs) do not have to rhyme either. You simply sing your prayer from your heart. This type of praying builds intimacy with God.

10. Silence: (*Ps 46:10, I Sam 1:12-13*)

'Be still and know that I am God.' Because prayer is speaking with God as opposed to just speaking to God, time must be given for God to speak. If you do all the talking, it's just a one-way conversation. Pausing in prayer occasionally for a period of silence and stillness will greatly improve the quality of your

praying because you will learn how to have a two-way conversation with God. Further to this, a period of silence will allow you to reflect on what you have just prayed or are about to pray. Finally, there are times when you have said all that you can say, and you've shed all the tears you can. Lingering silently in His presence at this point is still an effective form of prayer.

Conclusion

Our prayer lives must go beyond the 'give me, give me' mentality of the prodigal son on his way out. (Luke 15:11-12). If you are really interested in improving the quality of your praying and in developing intimacy with God, then start praying with all prayer. As you learn how to utilise these different forms of prayer, they will take the monotony out of your praying and add excitement like you've never dreamed possible!





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Join us on the prayerline as we praying together!

6.00AM
TO
6.30AM

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6.00PM
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MONDAY TO FRIDAY

when the going gets tough
THE TOUGH GET GOING



How to use this devotional:

1. Dial in to our prayer line at 6.00 (AM) daily if possible



4. Dial in to our prayer line at 6.00 (PM) daily if possible



2. Have your devotional and a Bible to hand



5. Email us your testimonies of answered prayers



3. Keep a record of your prayer points in this devotional



6. Encourage your family and friends to join you



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DECEMBER 01
Tuesday

"Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."

PS. 100:4-5

DECEMBER 02
Wednesday

"Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love endures forever."

PS. 118:29



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DECEMBER 03

Thursday

"I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds."

PS. 9:1

DECEMBER 04

Friday

"I will give to the Lord the thanks due to his righteousness, and I will sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High."

PS. 7:17



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DECEMBER 05
Saturday

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DECEMBER 06
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DECEMBER 07

Monday

"Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness."

COL. 2:7

DECEMBER 08

Tuesday

"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful."

COL. 3:15



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DECEMBER 09
Wednesday

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful."

COL. 4:2

DECEMBER 10
Thursday

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change."

JAMES 1:17

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DECEMBER **11**
Friday

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

PHIL 4:6

DECEMBER **12**
Saturday

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DECEMBER **13**
Sunday

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DECEMBER **14**
Monday

"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

1 THESS. 5:18



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DECEMBER 15
Tuesday

"Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!"

PS. 107:1

DECEMBER 16
Wednesday

"Giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,"

EPH. 5:20



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DECEMBER 17
Thursday

"The Lord is my strength and my shield; My heart trusts in Him, and I am helped; Therefore my heart exults, And with my song I shall thank Him."

PS. 28:7

DECEMBER 18
Friday

"I will praise the name of God with song, and shall magnify Him with thanksgiving."

PS. 69:30

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DECEMBER **19**
Saturday

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DECEMBER **20**
Sunday

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DECEMBER **21**
Monday

"Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our "God is a consuming fire."

HEB. 12:28-29

DECEMBER **22**
Tuesday

"Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!"

2 COR. 9:15

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DECEMBER 23

Wednesday

"We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign."

REV. 11:17

DECEMBER 24

Thursday

"Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

REV. 7:12



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DECEMBER 25
Friday

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.

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7

DECEMBER 26
Saturday

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DECEMBER 27
Sunday

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DECEMBER 28
Monday

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:57



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DECEMBER 29
Tuesday

We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing.

2 THESSALONIANS 1:3

DECEMBER 30
Wednesday

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

1 CHRONICLES 16:34

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DECEMBER 31

Thursday

For from him and through him
and for him are all things.

To him be the glory forever!
Amen.

ROMANS 11:36

