

PLEASE JOIN US IN

# 24HR PRAYER AND FASTING

FOR RACIAL JUSTICE, HEALING, & UNITY

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## Prayer Topics

(Read the verse(s), Praise God for His attributes,  
Repent for falling short, Ask for Him to step in  
powerfully, and Yield to what God is telling you)



## **1. For healing in our nation**

2 Chronicles 7:14-15“...If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

## **2. Strength to walk in the Spirit**

Galatians 5:13-26“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law...Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.”

## **3. For God’s people to be marked by zealous devotion & empathy**

Galatians 6:2 / Romans 12:9-21“Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.”“Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord...mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another...as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone... Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”



#### **4. That we can represent Christ well as his ambassadors**

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 "For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view...We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us."

#### **5. To see all people as made in the image of God**

Genesis 1:27, 31 "So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them...God saw all that he had made, and it was very good."

#### **6. That in love and humility, we can value others above ourselves**

Philippians 2:1-11 "...make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind... in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."



## **7. For racial reconciliation**

Ephesians 2:14-22 (ex: Jew and Gentile)"...he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility...For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit... In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by the Spirit"

## **8. For unity within the body of Christ**

Ephesians 1:9-10 / 1 Corinthians 12:12-27"...he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ...to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ." "...God has put the body together...so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. IF one part suffers, every part suffers with it... Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."



## **9. For us to love others as God loves us, a love without fear**

1 John 4:7-21 (or John 15:1-17)“Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another... There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment...We love because he first loved us...Anyone who loves God must also love their brothers and sister.”

## **10. That we may love with our actions and in truth**

1 John 3:11-18 / James 2:14-17“This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we out to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters... let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth”“What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds?... Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,’ but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?”



## **11. That we may know how to act justly and love mercy**

Micah 6:8 / Isaiah 1:17 "He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." "Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed."

## **12. That we may treat others who are different from us the way God has commanded**

Leviticus 19:33-34 / Luke 10:25-37 "When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself... I am the Lord your God." "Love your neighbor as yourself" – a rift and tension existed between the Jewish and Samaritan people. Yet, the parable specifically points out that the Samaritan (the onewith a different cultural background) acted as the 'neighbor,' because "he took pity" on the robbed man, going out of his way to "bandage[d] his wounds...put the man on his own donkey...[take] care of him" and pay for him to be looked after. Have we gone out of our way and sacrificed to care for our neighbors that look different than us?



### **13. That we may not show favoritism based on appearance**

James 2:1-10 / Acts 10:34-35 "believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism... If you show special attention...have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?...If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, 'Love your neighbor as yourself,' you are doing right." "...it is true that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right."

### **14. That we treat and love strangers and the marginalized as we would Jesus**

Matthew 25:31-45 "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me... Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."



## **15. For protection from evil and sanctification**

**John 17:15-25 / 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24**“My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one... Sanctify them by truth; your word is truth...that they may be one as we are one - I in them and you in me - so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.”“May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.”





## **16. For God to replace our anxiety with His presence**

1 Peter 5:7 / Philippians 4:6-9 "Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you." "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... Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, put into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."

## **17. For peace to rule in us so we can help our communities experience His peace**

Colossians 3:12-17 / Hebrews 12:14 "...clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience... And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful...whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus." "Make every effort to live in peace with everyone to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord."



## **18. For all nations - every tribe, people, and language - to seek and find Him**

Acts 17:26-28 "From one man he made all the nations... and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands...so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us."

## **19. For God's promises to be our hope**

John 16:33 / Revelation 21:4-5 "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." "He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away. He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!'"

## **20. Discernment to know when and how to 'stand in the gap'**

Psalms 39:4-5,7 / Ecclesiastes 3:1-12 "Show me, Lord, my life's end and the number of my days; let me know how fleeting my life is. You have made my days a mere handbreadth; the span of my years is as nothing before you. Everyone is but a breath, even those who seem secure...But now, Lord, what do I look for? My hope is in you." "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens...a time to weep and a time to laugh...a time to be silent and a time to speak..."



## **21. Supernatural guidance and wisdom for our leaders and authorities over us**

1 Timothy 2:1-4 / Proverbs 11:14 "I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people – for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth." "For lack of guidance a nation falls, but victory is won through many advisers"

## **22. Rest, healing, and strength for all those who are hurting and living in fear**

Matthew 11:28 / John 14:27 / Psalm 46:1 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble... the Lord Almighty is with us."



## **23. For our hearts to be made blameless before God**

Psalm 139:23-24 / Psalm 52:1-2, 17"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." "Be gracious to me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; according to the greatness of your compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin... My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God will not despise."

## **24. Praise God, our refuge, because He works justice for all the oppressed**

Psalm 103 / Psalm 9:7-11"Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits - who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed..." "The Lord reigns forever; he has established his throne for judgment. He rules the world in righteousness and judges the peoples with equity. The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. Those who know your name trust in you, for you, Lord have never forsaken those who seek you. Sing the praises of the Lord; proclaim among the nations what he has done."



## **25. For us to help usher in the God's Kingdom to this earth**

Matthew 6:9-13 / Psalm 67“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.”“May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face shine on us – so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations. May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you. May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth...”

