



21

DAYS OF PRAYER

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INTRODUCTION

Here is a simple guide for you to use during the next 21 days. To start off this season right, we are encouraging you to grow in your walk with Christ in two areas: reading and praying. We desire for this to be helpful to you as you pursue Jesus daily.



READING

WHEN

Morning or Evening: Jesus and the psalmists are often found praying in the morning (e.g., Psalm 5:3; Luke 4:42). The evenings less so, but choose a time when you are at your best and most attentive.

Lunch Break: If you have time during your workday to read during your lunch or another break, this might be a perfect way to spend your time.

Anytime: Some of you may have such busy lives that you need to fit it in whenever you can. This is totally normal. Make sure that whatever time you decide to read your Bible that you are in a place where you can focus and reflect on God's Word.

WHAT

Bible Reading Plan: Follow the 21 day plan on the next page. If you miss some days, do not try to catch up. Simply pick up where you left off.

Journal: We recommend using a simple journal that's easy to use. You can find these at just about any store, especially book stores or online.

Pen: Take notes within your Bible or a journal.

HOW

Pray: Ask God to speak to you through his Word. And then expect God to speak. Your approach to God's Word will greatly impact your times of personal worship. Ask God to search your heart and to transform your life.

Read: Take notes as you read. If you do not have a Bible translation you can easily understand, please let the church staff know. We will buy you one for free.

Journal: (try to limit it to one page per day to start): Start a new page and record the date and Scripture you read on the top line. Write down a verse or two that stood out to you. Stay focused on what God is saying through his Word that intersects with your everyday life. This is not about speculation, private interpretations or manipulating God's Word to say what you want it to say. This is about bringing Christ to your everyday life based on the truth of God's Word rightly interpreted.

21 DAY READING PLAN

THE STORY OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

DAY 1	Genesis 1:1-3:19	The Creation and Fall of Humanity
DAY 2	Psalms 1, 23, 139	Psalms that Enrich Your Soul
DAY 3	Isaiah 61:1-3	Jesus' Ministry Predicted in Old Testament
DAY 4	Matthew 5-6	The Core of Jesus' Teachings
DAY 5	John 3	God's Love for the World
DAY 6	John 5	Jesus' Miracles and Authority
DAY 7	John 11	Jesus Power Over Death
DAY 8	John 15	The Christian Life Defined
DAY 9	Matthew 26-27	The Arrest and Crucifixion of Jesus
DAY 10	John 20, Luke 24	The Resurrection of Jesus and His Ascension
DAY 11	Acts 2	The Coming of the Holy Spirit
DAY 12	Proverbs 3, 5, 16	Wisdom for Everyday Life
DAY 13	Acts 26	Paul's Defense of the Christian Faith
DAY 14	Romans 3	Justification by Faith Alone
DAY 15	Romans 7-8	The Battle with Sin: Life in the Spirit
DAY 16	I Cor. 13, Eph. 5	The Way of Love
DAY 17	I Corinthians 15	The Power of Resurrection
DAY 18	Gal. 5, Eph. 4	Freedom and Unity in Christ
DAY 19	Ephesians 6	The Whole Armor of God
DAY 20	Philippians 1:18-2:18	Christ's Example
DAY 21	Colossians 3:1-17	Putting on the New Self

DURING THE 21 DAYS OF PRAYER,
WE WOULD ASK YOU TO SEEK
GOD ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS
—BOTH FOR YOURSELF AND FOR
OUR CHURCH.

PRAYING

WEEK ONE: WAKE THE HOUSE

We refuse to be a people who fall into a spiritual slumber. In this season seek God to spiritually awaken you in areas of your life that might be asleep. Together let's pray that God would wake us up to see the beauty of who He is so that anything in our lives that does not have value would fall away. Getting rid of worthless, sin-filled desires only happens when we truly delight in Christ. So wake up, enjoy God and be alert for the mission that God has called us to in our city and community.

WEEK TWO: HEART FOR THE HOUSE

We believe our local church has an incredible opportunity to reach and serve our community. As we move toward the Fall, take time to pray for our congregation. Pray that we would be a place of love. Pray that no hypocrisy would slip into our church family. This is also an important time to pray over the church's resources. Pray that we would be good stewards of our time, money, and resources that God gives us. Pray that people would attend, participate & serve faithfully. May we have a heart for God's house and God's people.

WEEK THREE: FILL THE HOUSE

We believe that we will reach more people than ever before as we fulfill our God-given vision, heaven full & hell empty. For this to be a reality, we must be a people of prayer asking the Holy Spirit to open the eyes of men, women, and children so they might have new life in Christ. We believe this for our neighbors, co-workers, families, and friends. Pray for opportunities to invite people to a church service in-person or online and for the opportunity to disciple someone this season. We believe that a move of God only happens through the power of prayer from His children who have hearts postured in humility and repentance. Together, let's pray for God to use us to fill the house!

PERSONAL PRAYER TARGETS

I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—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 men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth (1 Timothy 2:1-4).

Pray for those in authority and those under your authority.

MY GOVERNMENT

President _____

National leaders _____

State leaders _____

City leaders _____

MY FAMILY

Spouse _____

Children _____

Parents _____

Siblings _____

Extended family _____

MY CHURCH

Pastor _____

Small group leader _____

Small group members _____

MY LIFE

Employer _____

Co-workers _____

Neighbors _____

Teachers/Professors _____

THOSE I INFLUENCE

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THOSE WHO NEED GOD

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MY NEEDS

Prayer Request

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Date

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