

January 25, 2019 – Prayer Guide Dear Church Family,

God is moving! Believe me when I tell you that God is hearing your prayers and responding in faithfulness. People are coming to salvation, wounds are being healed, and God is getting all the glory. Thank you for your faithfulness in this journey!

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SECTION 1: REVERENCE (suggested time: 10 minutes)

This section is to focus on the character of God by praising and thanking Him. Begin by reading the following verses:

"so that by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have taken refuge would have strong encouragement to take hold of the hope set before us." -Hebrews 6:18

 Praise and thank God for who He is. Select an attribute of God in these verses and enter into a time of praise and thanksgiving. For example, this verse proclaims to us that our God is impeccable. By impeccable, we mean that it is impossible for God to sin. Begin praying now thinking about the impeccability of God like this:

"You cannot sin. This is the reason, Lord, that You could die for me. Not only did You not sin, You could not sin. Even though every human has the ability to sin, You through Your impeccability were the only One who could die for us. Your sinlessness made you suitable to pay the penalty of my sin."

Read this verse again and ask God to expound on this truth and speak it back to Him.

SECTION 2: RESPONSE (suggested time: 5 minutes)

This section is about surrender. In response to who God is, this is an opportunity to yield yourself to Him.

- Reflect on the attribute of God in Psalm 73:23-26.
 - How do these attributes impact your view of your life and current circumstances?

As the Holy Spirit sheds light on your life, let that lead you to pray. For example, "Lord, you are everything I need. You are most valuable thing a person could have. There is nothing on earth or in heaven that could compare to you."

Read this verse and respond as God speaks to you:

"and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth." – Ephesians 4:24

SECTION 3: REQUESTS (suggested time: 10 minutes)

This section is to lay requests before God. You may want to use a journal to make notes for each area provided. During this time, if the Lord directs you to pray about other needs, follow His leadership. Begin by reading this verse:

> "Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son." – John 14:13

Seek the Lord about each of these specific areas:

- 1. Personal and/or Family Needs: What is on your heart to pray on a personal level?
 - Recommendation: Pray that God would lead you in integrity today.
- 2. Ministry Needs: What is on your heart to pray for those you serve or influence?
 - Recommendation: Pray for your co-workers and/or fellow volunteers in a ministry you serve in.
- 3. Hope Church: What is on your heart to pray for Hope Church?
 - Recommendation: The Next Campaign

Pray for God to show us favor as we seek to push back the darkness in our city.

Pray for God to raise up the next Generation of leaders for Las Vegas, The West, and the World.

Pray for God to help us to continue to build relationships with partners around the globe.

SECTION 4: READINESS (suggested time: 5 minutes)

This final section is intended to remind you of the spiritual battle before you and, more importantly, your new identity in Christ in the midst of the battle.

• Pray through 1 Peter 3:15:

"but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;"

Pray that God would prepare you to be read at any moment today to share your story of how you came to know Christ.