

# FAMILY PRAYER GUIDE

(Monday & Thursday nights, Jan 8th -28th)

During these 21 days, there are 2 nights a week that are scheduled for family prayer. You can use this guide for one of these nights each week or stretch it between both. It may benefit your family to leave one of these nights open to pray as God leads. Use this guide however, it would benefit you during this time. We believe this will be a powerful time as you pray, both together & over one another as a family. Remember: prayer in the home may feel intimate & even awkward at first, but that's ok. Let's embrace the normalization of prayer in the Home!

## WEEK 1:

### That Each Family Member would be Built up in God

#### Flow of the Night

Open in Prayer: Mom & Dad lead out in prayer to start the night. You can utilize the scripture & prayer focus.

Participate in Prayer: If you have kids, have them pray what is on their hearts if they desire.

Partner in Prayer: Take some time to listen to prayer requests & spend time praying over one another. (Mom & or Dad - your children can also pray over you!).

#### Scripture: Colossians 1:3-14

*"...We give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus & the love which you have for all the saints; because of the hope reserved for you in heaven, of which you previously heard in the word of truth, the gospel, which has come to you, just as in all the world also it is bearing fruit & increasing, even as it has been doing in you also since the day you heard it & understood the grace of God in truth; just as you learned it from Epaphras, our beloved fellow bond-servant, who is a faithful servant of Christ on our behalf, & he also informed us of your love in the Spirit. For this reason we also, since the day we heard about it, have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work & increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all perseverance and patience; joyously giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."*

**1 Peter 2:1-5** *"So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, 5 you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."*

As we lift up our families before God, we want to align our hearts with the Father, seeking to pray from His perspective & not our own. We ask that God would align our hearts with His perspective & will for our Families.

**Prayer Points**→ Take a couple of minutes to pray over each point. These are just guides. Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit leading the group to pray in specific areas over your Family.

- Pray that your Family would *live life worthy of the LORD & pleasing to Him*
- Pray that your Family would *increase in Love in the Spirit*
- Pray that your Family would *bear fruit* as an example
- Pray that your Family would *grow in the knowledge of God*
- Pray that your Family would *be Strengthened w/ power according to His glorious might*
- Pray that your Family would *have great endurance and patience*
- Pray that your Family would *joyfully give thanks to Him*

## WEEK 2:

### That God would Build up our Families Together

#### Flow of the Night

Open in Prayer: Mom & Dad lead out in prayer to start the night. You can utilize the scripture & prayer focus.

Participate in Prayer: If you have kids, have them pray what is on their hearts if they desire.

Partner in Prayer: Take some time to listen to prayer requests & spend time praying over one another. (Mom & or Dad - your children can also pray over you!).

**Scriptural reference: Eph 2:17-22** *“And He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.*

**Prayer points** → Take a couple of minutes praying over each point. These are just guides. Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit leading the group to pray in specific areas over your Family.

- Pray that your Family *would be rightly focused on His Kingdom.*
- Pray that your Family *would seek His Kingdom above all else.*
- Pray that your Family *would embrace God’s process of healing together*
- Pray that *righteousness would be exalted in your Family like never before.*

- Pray that God *would strengthen each individual, couple, &/or parents as they fulfill their God-given role in your Family.*
- Pray that Your Family *would sense/trust God's Building Process like never before.*

### **WEEK 3:**

## **That God would Build *through* our Families Generationally**

### **Flow of the Night**

Open in Prayer: Mom & Dad lead out in prayer to start the night. You can utilize the scripture & prayer focus.

Participate in Prayer: If you have kids, have them pray what is on their hearts if they desire.

Partner in Prayer: Take some time to listen to prayer requests & spend time praying over one another. (Mom & or Dad - your children can also pray over you!).

#### **Scriptural reference:**

**Psalm 145:4** *"One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts."*

**Heb 3:4** *"For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God."*

**1 Cor 3:8-9** *"He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. 9 For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field, God's building."*

**Rom 8:19** *"For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God."*

**Prayer Points** → Take a couple of minutes praying over each point. These are just guides. Be sensitive to the Holy Spirit leading the group to pray in specific areas over your Family.

- Pray that your Family would experience God's heart for the generations & would value the young.
- Pray that your Family would be a "safe place to grow."
- Pray that your Family would experience God's provision for the generations.
- Pray that your Family would be a place where "every member would see themselves as a minister." (young & old).
- Pray that your Family would be an example & light for Christ in your neighborhood, your city, & your relationships.