BATTLE PRAYERS FROM THE BIBLE



OUR DAILY BREAD

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SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(John 14:6 KJB)

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name. (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom. (Colossians 3:16a KJB)



Did you know that

READING

your

King James Bible

can help you pray?

Over the past few months, we have learned that PRAYER is REALLY IMPORTANT!

One of the facts which we should remember about prayer is that prayer has a VERY IMPORTANT part in the BATTLE between God & Satan. (If you have never heard this fact before, get our last few lessons to help you see why this is so.)

Prayer is our way of talking to God. It is the PRIVILEGE & DUTY that God has given ALL of His children. It is part of our relationship with God our Father through His Son, Jesus Christ. Prayer is our way of telling God what is on our heart - our worries, our concerns, our fears. It is our way of asking God for help, for strength, for direction when we don't know what to do. Prayer is our way of THANKING GOD for all He has done. It is our way of PRAISING GOD. It is our way of telling God how much JOY He brings to our lives! It is one of the ways that we tell God how much we LOVE HIM! And even if we don't always say to God the words: "I love You, Father.", just the fact that we PRAY tells God that we LOVE HIM! See if you can figure out why this is so by reading these next 2 scriptures:

"He that hath my commandments, and

keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him."

John 14:21 KJB



"Pray without ceasing.
In every thing give
thanks: for this is the will of
God in Christ Jesus concerning you." 1Thessalonians 5:17-18 KJB

Did you figure it out? Here is what those 2 scriptures tell us. John 14:21 tells us that when God's commandments - His Words, His Truths - are so important to us that we learn them, treasure them, store them up in our soul, believe them & obey them, we are LOVING GOD! Then 1Thessalonians gives 2 of God's COMMANDMENTS to His children: PRAY & BE THANKFUL for EVERY THING! And that is why PRAYER is one way that we tell God we love Him even when we don't use the words "I love You" in our prayers! God commands us to PRAY & BE THANKFUL. When we KNOW that command & KEEP that command, we show God that we LOVE HIM!

God LOVES when His children PRAY to Him!

"The sacrifice of the wicked *is* an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright *is* his delight."

Proverbs 15:8 KJB

"The LORD *is* far from the wicked: <u>but he</u> <u>heareth the prayer of the righteous</u>."

Proverbs 15:29 KJB

God LOVES when His children pray to Him, &

His children LOVE God by PRAYING TO HIM!

Although there are MANY THINGS we can learn about prayer, there are 2 VERY IMPORTANT things for God's children to know when they pray.

- We are to pray to God our Father, in the NAME of His Son, Jesus Christ.
 John 16:23-24; Colossians 3:16-17; Ephesians 5:20 Praying in Jesus' means that our prayers are things which Jesus wants us to pray for. Things that GOD says are in His will! And THAT is why we must READ our King James Bibles; otherwise we will NOT know what God's will is! See 1John5:14-15
- 2. We are to pray with FAITH! What is FAITH? FAITH is believing that God knows what is BEST for us. It is believing that God CAN & WILL do EVERY THING that He SAYS He will do so we'll wait for Him! James 1:5-7; 5:15; Matt 21:22; Phil 1:6; 4:6; Heb 10:23

All these things are important for us to learn about prayer; however, there is another very important FACT about prayer that we should know. Prayer is our way of telling God that we believe that

HE IS OUR BOSS

& that we want to know & do only what He wants us to know & do! When we PRAY FOR what HE WANTS us to PRAY FOR WHEN He wants us pray for these things & HOW He wants us to pray for these things, we show that we are on the SIDE of the Pattle between

HIS SIDE of the Battle between God & Satan.

That is why it is SO IMPORTANT that we learn WHAT GOD WANTS us to pray for & HOW He wants us to pray so that we don't end up praying for things that the DEVIL really wants us to pray for! When we DON'T study God's Word, we can end up doing just that without even realizing it! Look up these next 2 scriptures & you will see examples of this.

Luke 9:49-56 & 1John 5:16.

That is why for today's lesson, we are going to use our KING JAMES BIBLE to help us learn some BATTLE PRAYERS that WE CAN PRAY!

There are MANY, MANY, MANY scriptures in the Bible where we can use the VERY WORDS OF GOD in our prayers. We can PRAY BACK TO GOD HIS VERY WORDS! We hope that the scriptures we use today will help you to learn how to use God's Word to pray prayers that will be useful in this Battle between God & Satan. Here we go!

BATTLE PRAYERS
FROM
THE BIBLE

Satan FORGOT that God is the TOP BOSS! And he wants people to worship him instead of God! Isaiah 14:12-14 KJB tells us this! Satan also wants us to think WE can be like a "god" too! Satan wants us to believe that we do NOT need God to be our boss! Satan wants us to think we can be our OWN boss. Genesis 3:3. Psalm 8 is a Psalm which you can use to tell God that YOU DO NOT agree with Satan at all!

A Prayer of Praise & Worship using Psalm 8.

It tells God that you realize He is the TOP BOSS of ALL the earth & that you realize that it is HE who has given you everything.

Father, "how excellent is thy name in all the earth! Who hast set thy glory above the heavens." When I look up into the heavens & see the moon and the stars which You have made & keep up there all in order, I know that You are all-wise & all-powerful. The moon & the stars show me that You are Faithful. And even though You are the King of the universe, You care about me & have made me unique. Thank You for giving me a mind & heart to think intelligently & be able to know You. Thank You for all that You have given us so that we can live on this earth - the sun, the moon & the stars, the oceans full of fish, the sky full of birds, all the animals & herbs that you have given us for food & medicine.

"O LORD our Lord, how excellent *is* all thy name in all the earth! In Jesus

Name, Amen.

Satan LOVES to keep people in FEAR! In fact, many times Satan uses circumstances & even other people to try to make us live in FEAR!

Hebrews 2:14-15 tells us this. Satan tries to take God's Word away from us & get us to DOUBT that God can & will help us! Luke 8:11-18. 2Kings 18:29-

37 is an example of how Satan uses people to tempt us to be so AFRAID of our circumstances that we doubt if God can help us! Psalm 27:1-6 is a Psalm that you can use to help you REMEMBER that GOD IS IN CONTROL of ALL your circumstances! He CAN & WILL help you when you look to HIM ALONE for help!

Here is a prayer of praise using Psalm 27:1.

It tells God that you realize that He is the ONLY ONE who can help you. It tells God that you realize that you do NOT have to be afraid of anything at all because He is all-powerful & wise. It tells God that you realize that when you look to HIM for direction, you NEVER have to fear!

Father, The LORD *is* my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

No matter what happens, Father, I know that YOU are in control. You will show me in Your Word what I should do or not do! I can COUNT ON YOU AL-WAYS!

"Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident." Father, "Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies." Thank You for telling me in Hebrews 13:5 that You will NEVER LEAVE ME OR FORSAKE ME! When trouble comes, I'll keep on reading Your Word, obeying You, & waiting for You to show me

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what to do." In Jesus Name, Amen.

The apostle Paul prayed 3 GREAT BATTLE PRAYERS! See if you can figure out WHY he prayed them. What did Paul say in praise & worship about the Lord? What did Paul ask of the Lord for these people? You can use these BATTLE PRAYERS to praise & worship God & to pray for yourself & others. I use them all the time!

Ephesians 1:3-23 Ephesians 3 Colossians 1:1-18 Colossians 4:2-6,12



Do you have a

PRAYER JOURNAL?

I do! I write in it lots of times. Not every day, but often. I write down questions & requests that I ask the Lord for

myself & others. I write down praises to Him too! I make sure that I date each prayer. And then, when the Lord ANSWERS ME, I write down what He did or said about the question or request! And I date that too! This way, when I start to get discouraged, I open my prayer journal to REMIND MYSELF of all the wonderful ANSWERS the Lord has given me & all the wonderful WAYS He has helped me! My prayer journal helps me to REMEMBER that God is REAL! I can TRUST HIM ALWAYS! He CARES ABOUT ME PERSONALLY! And He CARES ABOUT YOU TOO!

We are in a BATTLE & PRAYER IS PART OF THAT BATTLE!

GRACE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Pastor John A. Ricci

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10:00 A.M.

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Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:30 P.M.

Prayer Meeting

Wednesday & Friday Evenings, 7:00-7:20 P.M.

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First Sunday of Every Month

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Directions

From I-95

- RI Exit #22; Left at split to Rt. 6 W.
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; Right off Exit.
- on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn Left at light (CVS on corner), and then bear Left at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From 146 N turn Left off Exit; from 146 S turn Right.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* Take <u>Mineral Spring</u> to end and stay Left around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
 - Take next Right onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
 - Go about 1½ mi.
 - **G.C.F.** is on the *Right*.

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