

Band of Brothers Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name:

Oh my Father who is in heaven. You are holy. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty – commander of angel armies – who was, and is, and is to come. (Rev 4:8) You are worthy, my Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for You created all things and by Your will they were created and have their being. (Rev. 4:11) Father, I thank you for the wonder of your creation, for the glory of who you are. Please help me this day to see you and your heart for mankind expressed in all that is. You are eternal, immortal, invisible, immutable, infinite, compassionate, slow to anger, merciful, gracious, and generous. You are truth, love, life, spirit, omniscient, omnipotent and omnipresent. I confess today that it is only in you that I live and move and have my being. (Acts 17:28) And, You are able to do immeasurably more than all I ask or imagine according to Your power that is at work in me. To you be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. (Ephesians 3:20, 21)

Oh Jesus. My Lord, my Savior, my Deliverer – you are my everything. You are the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by You all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by You and for You. You are before all things, and in You all things hold together. And You are the head of the body, the church; You are the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything You might have the supremacy. (Colossians 1:15-18) You have all authority in heaven and on earth. (Matt 28:18) You disarmed the powers and authorities, and made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. (Colossians 2:15) Jesus, without you I am nothing and can do nothing. But, I can do all things through You who strengthens me. (Phil 4:13) You have given me the authority that you have been given, and it is in your name and authority that I now come boldly before the throne of grace.

Holy Spirit. My helper, my counselor, my comforter, one who points the way to Jesus – the fire of God. I simply ask that you would fill me today - fill (wife's name, children's names). Fill us afresh with the life of God. Fill us to overflowing. I give you permission to work in me and through me today. Would you produce the fruit of the spirit in me and in us today. Would we be full of love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, kindness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. (Gal 5:22) Thank you for your ministry. I want more of you in my life and my family. Please help me this day to hear your leadings, respond to your promptings and obey your beckoning.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven:

Lord I pray that the Kingdom of God would come and the will of God would be done in me and through me today. (Matt. 6:10) I ask that your perfect and acceptable will would be done in my life, (wife's name, children's names and any others) life. *(Insert specific prayer for various people/organizations you want to impact). Would you help my family to be true representatives of you and your kingdom today. Would we love people and serve people in a way that draws

them to you and builds your kingdom. Please help us to worship you today in everything we do. I pray also that the eyes of our hearts may be enlightened in order that we may know the hope to which You have called us, the riches of Your glorious inheritance in the saints, and Your incomparably great power for us who believe. (Ephesians 1:18, 19)

Father I ask that you would lead me and guide me in the way that I should go. Would you counsel me and watch over me today. (Ps 32:8) Would you fill me with the Holy Spirit and with faith. Help me to lead diligently. Give me the strength and courage I need to follow you. I ask that you would help me today to see where you are working and to join you in your work. Lord, I choose to work this day with all my heart like I am working for you, not for men. I know that I will receive an inheritance from you. (Col 3:23,24) I ask that you would release my spiritual inheritance to me. Please release every good and perfect gift I need to walk in the glory of my calling in you. (James 1:17) Lord I ask that you would give me a humble and contrite spirit and help me to tremble at your Word. (Is. 66: 2b) Lord please give me a hunger and thirst for your Word. I realize that I cannot live on bread alone. In order to truly live, in order to live the way you have created me to live I must feast on your Word. (Matt. 4:4) That is my desire Lord. I want to have your Word in me. Please help me to be a true disciple, to be a true learner and follower of you. Help me to mine your Word like gold to relentlessly pursue truth, wisdom, knowledge, understanding and discernment. Lord I ask that you would give me the spirit of wisdom and revelation that I may know You better. (Eph 1:17)

Jesus, please help me to be a worshipper and a warrior. To take my place in the great adventure, in the great battle to which you have called me. I want to be a tenderhearted warrior. I want to be dangerous for good. I want to be a valiant warrior fighting for my own freedom and the freedom of my wife, my children, my family, my brothers, the church and my community. I believe it was for freedom that Christ has set us free. (Gal. 5:1) Lord please help me to take courage and initiative, to resist passivity, to accept responsibility, to press on toward the goal of you and your Kingdom in me and through me, to seek you with a whole heart and to serve others with my time, talent and treasure.

Father I ask that (children's names) would have humble and contrite spirits and tremble at your word. Would they be worshippers and warriors. Would they be passionate followers of you. Would they choose to follow you into the great adventure to which you have called them. Would they be full of the Holy Spirit and full of faith. Would they be valiant, courageous followers of you. Release them into the glory of your calling in their lives. Would they take courage and initiative, resist passivity, accept responsibility, press on toward the goal of you and your Kingdom in them and through them, seek you with all their heart, mind, soul and strength, and serve others with their time, talent and treasure. Would they have a love for your Word – please give me the wisdom to know how to help instill that in them. Would they be men of wisdom, knowledge, understanding and discernment. May their lives glorify You. Thank you for them Lord. They are a gift from you.

I pray that (wife's name) would be a radiant woman of God – full of the Holy Spirit and full of faith. Help me to minister to (wife's name) and lay my life down for her. Release all that is in your heart for her. May she drink deeply of all that you have for her and passionately pursue the glory of her calling in you. Help me to love her the way that she needs to be loved and encourage her into you. May your kingdom come and your will be done in her and through her. Equip her with everything she needs to be the mother, wife, (her occupation) and friend you have called her to be. Would she know your pleasure in her. Help her to see the beauty that you have given her and the glory to which you are calling her. Would we be true partners in the adventure to which you have called us. Would we be of one heart and spirit in you. Thank you for her Lord. She is a treasure and a gift from you.

Give us this day our daily bread:

Lord would you provide for me today all that I need to do your will. Would you prosper (business' name) and grant us favour with the business community. Would you bless us and release all the resources – financial and human – we need and I need to be the marketplace minister that you have called me to be. Thank you that you have promised to provide for all of our needs according to your riches in glory in Jesus. (Phil 4:19) I receive your provision now.

Forgive us our debts as we forgive those who trespass against us:

Lord Jesus, please forgive my sin and help me to see where I sin. I want to walk in openness and repentance with you. I know that I am in great need of your redemptive work. I am so grateful for the sacrifice you made on my behalf. Your death and resurrection has purchased my freedom. Thank you that I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. (Gal 2:20) Thank you that you have given me a new heart – a good heart. Please help me to produce fruit in keeping with what you have revealed to me. (Luke 8:15) And, I choose to forgive those who offend me and anger me today. Lord, please fill me with grace to give away to others. Knowing the extent of the forgiveness I have received I freely extend forgiveness to others.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

Now, I take my place today in the name and authority of the Lord Jesus Christ. I put on the full armour of God. I put on the helmet of salvation, the breastplate of righteousness, the belt of truth, the shoes of the preparation of the gospel of peace. I pick up the shield of faith, with which I can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. I pick up the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. (Eph 6:14-17) I take my stand against the work of the enemy in my life and in (wife and children's names) life. In the name and authority of the Lord Jesus Christ I rebuke every evil scheme set against us right now. I break the power of every demonic stronghold in our lives and I expose every lie of the enemy sent to deceive us. I command you to leave in the name of Jesus. We have been cleansed by the blood of the lamb. We are children of God and citizens of the Kingdom of light. I speak the life and light and freedom of the Kingdom of God into our lives and break the power of any demonic lie and stronghold in the name of Jesus Christ. You have been evicted by the blood of the lamb. I demolish

arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and I take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. (II Cor 10:5)

Father God I ask that you would now surround us with a hedge of protection to keep us from the enemy's attacks. I ask for an angelic firewall of protection to surround us, our property and all our possessions. Would you guard our going out and our coming in. Would you cover us and keep us. Would you make your face to shine upon us and give us peace. Deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom the power and the glory forever and ever:

Holy and blessed trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. You alone are worthy of all glory and honor and power. I surrender to you. I follow you. I love you. Receive my prayer. Receive my heart. Help me to see you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly. I thank you that you who have begun a good work in me will be faithful to complete it. (Phil 1:6) Because, yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever and ever. So let it be!

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