



20 Minutes in Effective Prayer

Nothing can enhance the Christian experience more than study of the Bible and an active prayer life.

Use that acronym **ACTS** to help you to remember to tell God of your adoration for Him, to confess your sins to Him and ". . .in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Philippians 5:6 KJV.

Below you will find a more detailed explanation of each aspect of the **ACTS** template for effective daily prayer.

ADORATION is proclaiming and exalting God's name attributes, and character.

"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD." Ps. 150:6 (NIV)

Names, attributes and character of God the Father:

Abba Father —Rom.8:15	Lord —Gen. 15:2
Almighty —Gen.35:11	Most High —Gen 14:18-22
Great —Ps. 95:3	Peace —Jdg. 6:24
Healer —Exo. 15:26	Provider —Gen. 22:14
I Am that I Am —Exo.3:4	Sanctifier —Lev.20:8

Names, attributes and character of God the Son:

Advocate —1Jn. 2:1	Lord of Lords —Rev. 17:14
Bread of Life —Jn. 6:35	Mediator —Tim. 2:5
King of Kings —Rev. 19:6	Resurrection —Jn.11:25
Lamb of God —Jn.1:29	Savior —Lk.1:47
Light —Jn.1:9	Truth —Jn.14:6

Names, attributes, and character of God the Spirit:

Baptizer —1Cor. 12:13	Intercessor —Rom. 8:26
Comforter —Jn. 14:16	Living Water —Jn. 7:39
Filler —Eph. 5:18	Renewer —Tit. 3:5
Fruit Bearer —Eph. 5:9	Revealer —1Cor. 2: 10
Gifter —1Cor. 12:11	Sealer —2Cor. 1:22

General attributes and character of God:

Faithful —Deut. 7:9	Majestic —Is. 2:10
Forgiving —Dan. 9:9	Miraculous —Num. 14:22
Good —Ps. 119:68	Merciful —Num. 14:22
Gracious —Ex. 34:6	Omnipotent —Dan. 4:35
Holy —Lev. 11:44	Omniscient —Is. 46:9-10
Infinite —Rom. 11:33	Omnipresent —Ps. 139:9-10
Impartial —Rom. 2:11	Sovereign —Ps. 115:3
Just —Is. 45:21	Singular —Deut. 6:4
Loving —1Jn. 4:8	Unchanging —Heb. 13:8

CONFESSION is agreeing with and acknowledging your failures to meet and comply with God's standard of perfection.

"He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy." Prv. 28:13 (NIV)

Things you may need to confess because of::

Omission *"Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins." Jas. 4:17 (NIV)*

Lack of bearing other's burdens	Gal 6:2
Lack of caring for others	Jas. 1 :27
Lack of giving for others	Mal.3: 8
Lack of showing gratitude	Rom. 1:21
Lack of loving others	1Cor. 13:1-3
Lack of mercy toward others	Mt. 23:23
Lack of praying	1Sam. 12:23
Lack of serving others	Gal. 5:13
Lack of sharing with others	Prv. 3:28
Lack of studying God's Word	2Tim. 2:15
Lack of trusting God	Rom. 14:23
Lack of witnessing for God	Ezk. 3:18

Commission *"All wrongdoing is sin, and there is sin that does not lead to death." 1Jn. 5:17 (NIV)*

Adultery	Cruelty	Hate	Lying
Anger	Drunkenness	Idolatry	Pride
Bigotry	Gluttony	Immorality	Stealing
Bitterness	Witchcraft	Jealousy	Gossip
Blasphemy	Greed	Lust	Worry

Mt. 5:21-32; Rom. 1:29-30; 1Cor. 7:9-10; Gal. 6: 19-21

THANKSGIVING is recognizing and recounting God's gracious acts and influences both in and around your life.

"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever." Ps. 136:1 (NIV)

Things you may want to thank God for:

Physical:

Food	Home	Hobbies	Emotions
Clothing	Family	Books	Scenery
Health	Friends	Pets	Talents
Protection	Senses	Your Mind	Cars
Job	Recreation	Your Will	Etc.

Spiritual:

Fellow Christians	1Ths. 1:2
His full joy	Jn. 15:11
His lasting peace	Jn. 14:27
His inner power	Eph. 1:19
His comforting Word	Rom. 15:4
His indwelling Spirit	2Cor. 5:5
His perfect love	1Jn. 4:7
His free salvation	Tit 2:11
Your security in Christ	Php. 1:6
Your spiritual leaders	Eph. 4:11
Victory over death	1Cor. 15:57
Victory in life	2Cor. 2:14
Your effectiveness in witnessing	2Cor. 2:4
Those you convert to Christ	2Ths. 2:13

"For what makes you different from anyone else? What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as though you did not?" 1Cor. 4:7 (NIV)

Thank God for everything!!! *"...always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Eph 5:20 (NIV)*

SUPPLICATION is God's people invoking God's power to accomplish God's purpose.

"Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete." Jn. 16:24 (NIV)

Some examples from scripture that you can pray for yourself and other Christians:

Be secure in their faith	Lk. 22:32
Protection from Satan	Jn. 17:15
Separation for God's exclusive use	Jn. 17:20
Spiritual wisdom and knowledge	Eph. 1:17
To experience God's power	Eph. 1:18
To comprehend God's love for them	Eph. 3:18
Be filled with God's fullness	Eph. 3:19
Boldness in sharing the gospel	Eph. 6:20
Be sincere in their faith	Php. 1:9
To know God's will	Col. 1:9
To walk worthy of the Lord	Col. 1:10
To be fruitful in good works	Col. 1:11
To strengthen their spirits	Col. 1:11
To have patience	Col. 1:11
Give them longsuffering	Col. 1:11
Give them joy	Col. 1:11
To have an opportunity to share Christ	Col. 4:3
To have inner peace	2Ths. 3:16

You can confidently ask for anything God's Word says a Christian should be!

Things you can pray for non-Christians:

God will bring them to Christ	Jn. 6:44
God will grant them repentance	2Tim. 2:25
God will open their eyes to the gospel	2Cor. 4:4
God will convict them of sin	Jn. 16:8
That the preaching of the cross would be effective	1Cor. 1:18
They would remember the gospel	1Cor. 15:1-4
They would be reconciled to God	2Cor. 5:19
They would come to know the truth	1Tim. 2:3-4
They would confess Christ as their Lord	Rom. 10:9
They would believe on the name of Christ	Jn 1:12

PREREQUISITES TO EFFECTIVE PRAYER

Effective prayer is the kind that gets the desired effect.

" . . . The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." Jas. 5:16 (KJV)

For example:

Adoration—to bring pleasure to God

Confession—to bring you into fellowship with God

Thanksgiving—to bring you an attitude of gratitude

Supplication—to bring about God's purpose

Effective prayer is both a privilege and a responsibility that God has granted to those who meet the following conditions:

1. The person must be in a right relationship with Christ. *"Jesus answered, I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Jn. 14:6 (NIV)*
2. The person must be in right relationship with their actions. *"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil." 1Pet. 3:12 (NIV) "If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened..." Psalm 66:18 (NIV)*
3. The person must be in a right relationship with others. *"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift." Mt.5:23-24 (NIV) "And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins." Lk. 11:25 (NIV)*

PREREQUISITES TO EFFECTIVE SUPPLICATION

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in my name, I will do it." Jn 4:13-14 (KJV)

In order to get your desired request you must pray:

Humbly—*"But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' 'I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For every-one who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." Lk. 18:13-14 (NIV)*

Specifically—*"You want something but don't get it. You kill and covet, but you cannot have what you want. You quarrel and fight. You do not have, because you do not ask God." Jas. 4:2 (NIV)*

Unselfishly—*"When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures." Jas. 4:3 (NIV)*

Meaningfully—*"And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words." Mt. 6:7 (NIV)*

Scripturally—*"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us whatever we ask we know that we have what we asked of him." I Jn 5:14-15 (NIV)*

Confidently—*"Therefore I tell you, what-ever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." Mk. 11:24 (NIV)*

Persistently—*"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened." Lk. 11:9 (NIV)*

SAMPLE PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer—*"After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen" Mt. 6:9-13 (KJV)*

Adoration—Holy Father, You are the only one and true God. Nothing and no one compares with Your greatness and perfection. You and You alone are worthy of my highest and best praise. Your Word tells me in Isaiah 40:15 that the nations are but a drop in the bucket compared to You. I praise You for Your greatness.

Confession—You tell me in Psalm 66:18 if I regard iniquity in my heart You will not hear me. I confess my lack of trusting You to provide for my every need. I confess my jealousy of other people's money and I admit my need for You to control that area of my life.

Thanksgiving—I thank You for my physical provisions of food health, and my friends. You tell me in Romans 8:39 that nothing can separate me from our love. I thank You for the security I have in Christ.

Supplication—In Proverbs 3:5 Your Word tells me I need to trust in You with all of my heart. I ask that You change my heart to trust in You more. In 1 Peter 2:2 You tell me to desire Your Word like a baby desires milk. I ask that You make me hungry for Your Word so I can spend more time in it. I ask that You give me a greater sense of my need to be in prayer with You more often. I ask You to show me how I can be a better steward of my spiritual gifts and finances so I can better serve You.

Amen



Promises

In times of distress and perplexity, we can know that God's promises are sure and trustworthy.

This collection of Bible verses is meant to help you seek His guidance and will on any particular need or problem in your life. We pray that you will find the peace and comfort awaiting you in God's promises.

The verses below are taken from the King James Version of the Bible.

Anger	Guilt	Prayer
Anxiety	Hope	Pride
Belief	Humility	Repentance
Comfort	Loneliness	Salvation
Courage	Love	Sexual Sins
Failure	Marriage	Sickness
Faith	Money	Temptation
Fear	Obedience	Trials
Forgiveness	Parent's Duties	Trust
Grace	Patience	Wisdom
Guidance	Peace	Word of God

God's Promises Regarding Anger

The Lord is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy.
Psalms 145:8

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Ephesians 4:31,32*

Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up. *James 4:10*

A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger. *Proverbs 15:1*

Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good. *Romans 12:19-21*

God's Promises Regarding Anxiety

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. *Matthew 11:29,30*

Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:6,7*

Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. *Psalms 55:22*

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:19*

God's Promises Regarding Belief

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

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 1:1*

I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness. *John 12:46*

But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: *2Thessalonians 2:13*

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. *Romans 10:9,10*

Jesus saith unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. *Mark 9:23*

But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe. *Galatians 3:22*

God's Promises Regarding Comfort

The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.
Psalms 18:2

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. *Psalms 46:1*

Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.
2Corinthians 1:4

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. *Psalms 55:22*

Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.
1Thessalonians 5:11

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord. *Psalms 27:14*

God's Promises Regarding Courage

Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Deuteronomy 31:6

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord. *Psalms 27:14*

He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

Isaiah 40:29

And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, even my God, will be with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD. *1Chronicles 28:20*

And what the land is, whether it be fat or lean, whether there be wood therein, or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time was the time of the firstripe grapes. *Numbers 13:20*

I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. *Philippians 4:12, 13*

God's Promises Regarding Failure

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. *Roman 8:28*

And the LORD, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed. *Deuteronomy 31:8*

Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness to fail. *Psalms 89:33*

He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail. *Proverbs 22:8*

But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. *Luke 22:32*

Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled; *Hebrews 12:15*

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:16*

God's Promises Regarding Faith

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. *Hebrews 11:1*

But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. *Hebrews 11:6*

Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God. *1Peter 1:21*

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. *Proverbs 3:5,6*

Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: *Romans 3:22*

But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe. *Galatians 3:22*

Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also. *2Corinthians 8:7*

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. *James 1:5,6*

God's Promises Regarding Fear

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth forever. *Psalms 111:10*

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. *1John 4:18*

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. *2Timothy 1:7*

Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken. *Proverbs 3:25,26*

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. *Psalms 46:1*

For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; *1Peter 3:12-14*

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. *John 14:27*

God's Promises Regarding Forgiveness

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1John 1:9*

And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me. *Jeremiah 33:8*

For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:
Matthew 6:14

But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: *Luke 6:35-37*

To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me. *Acts 26:18*

God's Promises Regarding Grace

Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, show me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people. *Exodus 33:13*

For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. *Psalms 84:11*

Surely he scorneth the scorers: but he giveth grace unto the lowly. *Proverbs 3:34*

And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him. *Luke 2:40*

We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth; *2Thessalonians 1:3*

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. *John 1:14*

And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. *John 1:16,17*

And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all. *Acts 4:33*

God's Promises Regarding Guidance

And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left. *Isaiah 30:21*

I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye. *Psalms 32:8*

A man's heart deviseth his way: but the Lord directeth his steps. *Proverbs 16:9*

He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young. *Isaiah 40:11*

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come. *John 16:13*

God's Promises Regarding Guilt

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. *1John 1:7*

I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake. *1John 2:12*

Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. *Isaiah 55:7*

For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. *1John 3:20*

For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee. *Psalms 86:5*

God's Promises Regarding Hope

Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God. *1Peter 1:21*

The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death. *Proverbs 14:32*

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; *Titus 2:11-13*

And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. *1John 3:3*

But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. *Matthew 9:13*

For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. *Galatians 5:5*

God's Promises Regarding Humility

The fear of the Lord is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility.
Proverbs 15:33

Lord, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear: *Psalms 10:17*

Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. *Matthew 18:4*

Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud. *Proverbs 16:19*

I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted. *Luke 18:14*

And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no. *Dueteronomy 8:2*

God's Promises Regarding Loneliness

And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear. *Isaiah 65:24*

Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. *2Corinthians 1:4*

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. *1Peter 5:7*

But I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God. *Psalms 40:17*

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. *Hebrews 13:5*

And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. *2Corinthians 6:18*

God's Promises Regarding Love

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. *1John 4:7,8*

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. *1John 4:10-12*

I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him. *Hosea 14:4*

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*

But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. *1Corinthians 2:9*

The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee. *Jeremiah 31:3*

God's Promises Regarding Marriage

Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for that is thy portion in this life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun. *Ecclesiastes 9:9*

Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth. Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love. And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger? *Proverbs 5:18-20*

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; *Ephesians 5:25*

Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband. *Ephesians 5:33*

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them. *Colossians 3:18,19*

Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. *Galatians 6:2*

But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. *Hebrews 13:16*

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. *Philippians 2:3*

God's Promises Regarding Money

For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

1Timothy 6:10

For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

Mark 8:36

But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day. *Deuteronomy 8:18*

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee. *Deuteronomy 16:17*

I have showed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. *Acts 20:35*

A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent. *Proverbs 28:20*

Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life. *1Timothy 6:17-19*

God's Promises Regarding Obedience

O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever! *Deuteronomy 5:29*

Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. *Matthew 5:19*

If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. *John 15:10*

Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; *2Corinthians 10:5*

Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? *Romans 6:16*

And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments; *Daniel 9:4*

Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men. And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him. *Acts 5:29,32*

Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus. *Revelation 14:12*

God's Promises Regarding Parent's Duties

Then Manoah entreated the LORD, and said, O my Lord, let the man of God which thou didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be born. *Judges 13:8*

Specially the day that thou stoodest before the LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD said unto me, Gather me the people together, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children. *Deuteronomy 4:10*

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. *Proverbs 22:6*

And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. *Deuteronomy 6:7*

That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, *Titus 2:4*

And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. *Ephesians 6:4*

God's Promises Regarding Patience

Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD. *Psalms 27:14*

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. *James 5:7,8*

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. *Ecclesiastes 7:8*

Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; *Romans 12:12*

But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience. *Luke 18:5*

And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope: *Romans 5:3,4*

For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. *Romans 15:4*

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. *James 1:2-4*

God's Promises Regarding Peace

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. *John 14:27*

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. *Isaiah 6:3*

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:7*

Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them. *Psalms 119:165*

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. *Galatians 5:22*

He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man of understanding holdeth his peace. *Proverbs 11:12*

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world. *John 16:33*

God's Promises Regarding Prayer

For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: he will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee. *Isaiah 30:19*

Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. *Romans 8:26*

And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him. *1John 5:14,15*

Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. *Jeremiah 29:12*

And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear. *Isaiah 65:24*

And the LORD said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name there for ever; and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually. *1King 9:3*

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. *James 5:16*

God's Promises Regarding Pride

Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall. *Proverbs 16:18*

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. *2Chronicle 7:14*

Thou hast rebuked the proud that are cursed, which do err from thy commandments. *Psalms 119:21*

Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches: But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD. *Jeremiah 9.23,24*

The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate. *Proverbs 8.13*

For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; *1Corinthians 1:26,27*

But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. *James 4:6*

God's Promises Regarding Repentance

But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. *Matthew 9:13*

And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel. *Mark 1:15*

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. *Psalms 34:18*

Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel? *Ezekiel 33:11*

Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him. And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him. *Luke 17:3,4*

And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins; *Luke 3:3*

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. *Acts 2:38*

I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance. *Luke 15:7*

God's Promises Regarding Salvation

(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.) *2Corinthians 6:2*

For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. *Romans 10:13*

My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *1John 2:1,2*

Again, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive. Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die. *Ezekiel 18:27,28*

Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day. *Psalms 25:5*

And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation. *Isaiah 25:9*

Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. *John 3:3-7*

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: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. *John 1:12,13*

God's Promises Regarding Sexual Sin

Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's. *1Corinthians 6:18-20*

For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication: *1Thessalonians 4:3*

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; *Titus 2:11,12*

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. *Galatians 5:16,17*

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness. *Galatians 5:19*

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart. *Matthew 5:27,28*

There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. *1Corinthians 10:13*

God's Promises Regarding Sickness

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. *Isaiah 53:5*

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. *James 5:15*

And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee. *Exodus 23:25*

Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. *James 5:14, 15*

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. *Matthew 4:23*

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones. *Proverbs 17:22*

I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners. *Isaiah 57:18*

God's Promises Regarding Temptation

Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. *Matthew 26:41*

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. *James 4:7,8*

There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.
1Corinthians 10:13

The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished: *2Peter 2:9*

Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving; *Colossians 4:2*

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him. *James 1:12*

God's Promises Regarding Trials

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: *1Peter 1:7*

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: *1Peter 4:12*

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. *James 1:2-4*

So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure: *2Thessalonians 1:4*

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. *Romans 8:35-37*

And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. *2Corinthians 12:9*

God's Promises Regarding Trust

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. *Proverbs 3:5,6*

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; *Psalms 46:1,2*

O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be ashamed; for I put my trust in thee. *Psalms 23:20*

Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed. Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass. *Psalms 37:3-5*

And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee. *Psalms 9:10*

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. *1Peter 5:7*

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. *Matthew 6:31-33*

God's Promises Regarding Wisdom

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever. *Psalms 111:10*

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. James 1:5

Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom. *Psalms 51:6*

I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye. *Psalms 32:8*

And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD; *Isaiah 11:2*

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding. *Proverbs 3:13*

God's Promises Regarding Word of God

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and light unto my path. *Psalms 119:105*

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. *Romans 10:17*

Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: *Isaiah 28:9,10*

The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple. *Psalms 119:130*

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. *Hebrews 4:12*

Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you. *Deuteronomy 4:2*

Concerning this house which thou art in building, if thou wilt walk in my statutes, and execute my judgments, and keep all my commandments to walk in them; then will I perform my word with thee, which I spake unto David thy father: *1King 6:12*

For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life: *Proverbs 6:23*