

NEW TESTAMENT PRAYERS

A Topical Reference



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is from the *King James Version*.

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“In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as *it is* in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.”—Matthew 6:9-13.

INTRODUCTION

The Bible is a record of many prayers to God by His people. The first mention is in Genesis:

GENESIS 4:25-26 And Adam knew his wife again, and she bore a son and named him Seth, “For God has appointed another seed for me instead of Abel, whom Cain killed.” 26 And as for **Seth, to him also a son was born; and he named him Enosh. Then *men* began to call on the name of the LORD.**

It might seem strange that prayer was not known before that time. Perhaps God walked among mankind up until then. It is even uncertain whether prayer began with Seth at the birth of his son or with Enos as an adult. In any regard, prayer has been the way that mankind communicates with God and, through prayer, God is able to discern our hearts¹.

¹ Heb. 4:12; Eph 6:17.

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CHAPTER 1

New Testament Prayers

The following lists Scriptures by topic of the prayers recorded in the New Testament.

ITEM	PRAY ...	NT SCRIPTURE
1	According to the will of God	1 John 5:14
2	Against temptation	Matt. 26:41; Mark 14:38; Luke 22:40, 46
3	Against wicked spirits (with fasting)	Matt. 17:21; Mark 9:29; John 17:15
4	Always	Mark 13:33; Luke 2:37; 5:33; 6:12; 18:1; 21:36; Acts 6:4; 10:2; 12:5; Rom. 12:12; 15:30; Eph. 6:18; Col. 1:3, 9; 4:2, 12; 1 Thess. 1:2; 3:10; 5:17; 2 Thess. 1:11; 1 Tim. 5:5; 2 Tim. 1:3; Phlm. 1:4
5	At a baptism	Luke 3:21
6	Earnestly	Luke 22:44; Heb. 5:7; Jas. 5:16-18
7	For agape love	John 15:12; Eph. 3:14, 18-19; Phil. 1:9; 1 Thess. 1:3; 3:12; 2 Thess. 3:5
8	For all people	1 Tim. 2:1
9	For children	Matt. 19:13
10	For Christ to abide in us and us in Him	John 15:8; Eph. 3:14, 17; 2 Thess. 1:12
11	For comfort	2 Cor. 1:4-7
12	For courage	John 16:33
13	For encouragement	2 Thess. 2:16-17
14	For enemies	Matt. 5:44; Luke 6:28
15	For faith	Luke 22:32; John 17:8; 1 Thess. 1:3; 3:10; 2 Thess. 1:11; Jas. 5:15; Jude 1:20
16	For fellowship	Phil. 1:5; 1 Thess. 3:11

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17	For forgiveness and repentance	Acts 8:22; Jas. 5:15
18	For God to forgive others	Acts 7:59; 2 Tim. 4:16
19	For God to receive the spirit at death	Acts 7:59
20	For godliness	2 Thess. 1:11; 2 Pet. 1:3
21	For grace, joy, mercy, peace, and tranquility	John 15:11; 16:33; Rom. 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:3; 16:23; 2 Cor. 13:14; Gal. 1:3, 18; Eph. 1:2; Phil. 1:2; 4:23; Col. 1:2; 1 Thess. 5:28; 2 Thess. 1:2; 3:16, 18; 1 Tim. 1:2; 2:2; 2 Tim. 1:2, 16; 4:22; Titus 1:4; 3:13; Phlm. 1:3, 25; 1 Pet. 1:2; 2 Pet. 1:2; 2 John 1:3
22	For healing	Acts 4:30; 9:40; 28:8; 2 Cor. 12:8; Jas. 5:14-16
23	For honesty	Heb. 13:18
24	For hope	1 Thess. 1:3; 2:16-17
25	For ordinations	Acts 1:24-25; 6:6; 13:3; 14:23
26	For protection from wicked men and spirits	John 17:15; 2 Thess. 3:2-3
27	For providing life's necessities	Acts 27:35; Rom. 14:6;
28	For reconciliation	Mark 11:25
29	For rulers	1 Tim. 2:2
30	For signs and wonders	Acts 4:29
31	For spiritual discernment, knowledge, understanding, and wisdom	1 Cor. 1:5; 2 Cor. 2:14; Eph. 1:17-18; Col. 1:9; Jas. 1:5; Phil. 1:9; 2 Pet. 1:2
32	For spiritual strength	1 Cor. 1:8; Eph. 3:14, 16

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33	For the <i>ekklesia</i>	Luke 2:37; John 17:9, 20; Rom. 1:9; 1 Cor. 1:4; 2 Cor. 9:14; Eph. 1:16; 6:18; Phil. 1:3-4; Col. 1:3; 4:2, 12; 1 Thess. 1:2-3; 2 Thess. 2:13; 2 Tim. 1:3; Phlm. 1:4; 1 John 5:16
34	For the gift of eternal life	2 Cor. 9:15
35	For the Holy Spirit to be given (elders)	John 14:16; Acts 8:14-17
36	For the ministry	Rom. 15:30; Phil. 1:19; 1 Thess. 5:25; 2 Thess. 3:1; Heb. 13:18
37	For the preaching of the Word of God	Acts 4:29; 2 Cor. 1:11; Eph. 6:19; Col. 4:3-4; 2 Thess. 3:1
38	For truth	John 16:13; 17:17, 19
39	For victory	2 Cor. 2:14
40	For workers to serve the <i>ekklesia</i>	Matt. 9:37-38; Luke 10:2
41	In private	Matt. 6:5-6; 14:23; 26:36; Mark 1:35; 6:46; 14:32; Luke 5:16; 6:12; Acts 10:9
42	In sorrows or trials	Matt. 26:36-39, 42; Mark 14:32-36; Luke 22:41-44; Acts 16:25; 2 Cor. 1:4-7; Jas. 5:13
43	On the Sabbath	Acts 16:13
44	That our flight is not on the Sabbath during the Tribulation	Matt. 24:20; Mark 13:18
45	To be a witness for God	John 15:27
46	To be called	John 4:10
47	To be holy and blameless	1 Thess. 3:13
48	To be one with each other	John 17:11; Rom. 15:5-6

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49	To be one with God the Father and Jesus Christ	John 17:11, 21-24
50	To be perfected	John 17:23; 2 Cor. 13:9; 2 Thess. 3:4; 1 Pet. 5:10
51	To be worthy of God's calling	2 Thess. 1:11
52	To bear much fruit	John 15:8; Phil. 1:10
53	To do no evil	2 Cor. 13:7
54	To endure until the end	1 Thess. 1:3; 5:23; 2 Thess. 3:5
55	To God in Jesus' name	John 14:13-14; 15:16; 16:23-24, 26; Phil. 4:6; Col. 3:17
56	To interpret languages	1 Cor. 14:13
57	To keep from sin	Jude 1:24
58	To keep the Commandments	John 15:10
59	To know God the Father and Jesus Christ	John 17:3
60	To know the will of God	Col. 1:9
61	To live in agape love	John 15:9
62	To not cause offense	2 Cor. 13:7; Phil. 1:10
63	To praise, honor, and glorify God	Luke 1:64; 2:14; 17:18; 18:43; 19:37; Acts 12:23; Rom. 4:20; 11:36; 16:27; Heb. 13:15; 1 Cor. 10:31; 2 Cor. 1:20; 4:15; 9:13; Eph. 1:6; 3:21; Phil. 2:11; 4:20; 1 Tim. 1:17; 1 Pet. 4:11; Jude 1:25
64	To save Israel	Rom. 10:1
65	To see God and Jesus Christ	Jude 1:24

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ITEM	PRAY ...	NT SCRIPTURE
66	To thank God for healing	Luke 18:43
67	When fasting	1 Cor. 7:5
68	With faith	Matt. 21:22; Mark 11:24; Jas. 1:5
69	With humility	Luke 18:10-14
70	With others	Matt. 18:19; Luke 9:18, 28; Acts 1:14; Acts 2:42; 4:31; 12:12; 20:36; 21:5; Rom. 15:30
71	With persistence	Luke 11:8-13; 18:2-5
72	With sincerity	Matt. 6:7-8; 23:14; Mark 12:40; Luke 20:47; Heb. 5:7; 1 Pet. 4:7
73	With thanksgiving	Acts 27:35; Rom. 14:6; 1 Cor. 15:57; 2 Cor. 1:11; 2:14; 4:15; 8:16; 9:11-12; Eph. 1:16; 5:20; Col. 4:2; Phil. 4:6; Col. 1:3; 3:17; 4:2; 1 Thess. 5:17-18; 2:13; 3:9; 1 Tim. 1:12; 4:5; Heb. 13:15
74	Without doubt	1 Tim. 2:8; Jas. 1:5
75	Without evil motives	Jas. 4:3
76	Without wrath	1 Tim. 2:8