

Prayer Guide– A Revival of Intercession

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<p>Thursday- Entreat the Lord to teach us that the Bible teaches there is a serious lack of intercessors. Ask God to raise up men and women in our generation who understand the power of intercessory prayer and to appoint them as advocates for others.</p>	<p>“And He saw there was no man and wondered that there was no intercessor; therefore His own arm brought Him victory, His own righteousness.” (Isa. 59:16, AMP)</p>
<p>Friday- Confess that when we should have been in our closets wrestling in prayer as Jacob that our prayers have been too little, faint, and few. Seek forgiveness that our prayers have been too far from the humble, believing, persevering faith God looks for. Ask God to grant us a profound repentance for such sinfulness.</p>	<p>“I searched for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand in the gap before Me for the land, so that I would not destroy it; but I found no one. Thus I have poured out My indignation on them; I have consumed them with the fire of My wrath...’ declares the Lord God.” (Eze. 22:30-31, NASB)</p>
<p>Saturday- Seek forgiveness for the lukewarm prayer life of the church in North America. Beg God, for the glory of His name, to pour out upon us the Spirit of grace and intercession.</p>	<p>“And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as on that is in bitterness for his firstborn.” (Zach. 12:10, KJV)</p>
<p>Sunday- Implore God to prepare our hearts and make us instruments through whom He can work to extend His kingdom and Lordship. Ask Him to quicken us with His awareness of what is at stake when we pray for North America and to help us pray with His heart.</p>	<p>“And will not God defend and protect and avenge His elect, who cry to Him day and night? Will he defer them and delay help on our behalf?” (Luke 18:7, AMP)</p>
<p>Monday- Beseech the Lord to enlist more intercessors and unite their hearts in urgent Holy Spirit breathed supplication for revival and awakening. Ask Him to unite us in continuous prayer for a fresh outpouring of the Spirit of grace and supplication.</p>	<p>“I have set watchmen upon they walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night; ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence, and give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.” (Isa. 62:6-7, KJV)</p>
<p>Tuesday- Take time to intercede on behalf of individuals and churches. Pray for your children, relatives, friends, and for all with whom you come into contact. Ask the Holy Spirit for the power to intercede.</p>	<p>“But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.” (1 Peter 2:9, NIV)</p>
<p>Wednesday- Beg God to move in the hearts of His people to help us give prayer the priority God gives it in His kingdom work. Confess that we lack the power of intercession in our churches. Ask God to pour out the spirit of intercession upon your church and upon the church of our nation.</p>	<p>“Now I urge you, brethren, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God for me.” (Rom. 15:30, NASB)</p>

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Reflection

"Intercession for those around us, and for the church and its mission, needs restoration to its right place in the Christian life! Prayer is indispensable to what God in heaven desires to do on earth. Intercession is the main element in the conversation of souls. All of our efforts are in vain without the power of the Holy Spirit given in answer to prayer."

-Andrew Murray (*Teach Me To Pray*, November 1st)

Prayer

O Lord, for the glory of Your name, help us understand and take to heart that Your word teaches us that it can be fatal to a people when there is a lack of prayer and intercession by Your church. Grant us understanding that Your willingness to bless seems to be limited by Your dependence upon the intercession of Your people and that You wait for us to take our part in the place and power of intercession for our nation. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for when we should have been praying our prayers have been too faint and few. In Your mercy, we ask forgiveness that our prayers are so wanting of the humble, believing, persevering faith that cries out to You. We seek forgiveness and desire to repent for such sinfulness towards You who have made a way unto the Holy Place by the blood and body of Your dear Son. Forgive us for forgetting You and how dependent we are upon You when mercies are multiplied and plenteous in our behalf and when our sorrows are few. We seek grace from heaven to help us fully repent of such sinfulness. Revive our hearts, O God, and open our eyes afresh to the place that intercession takes in Your kingdom's work and help us rise up to our holy calling. For the glory of Your name, revive us and pour out the spirit of intercession upon Your church for the purpose of causing us to supplicate. Light the fire of our hearts in intercession for Your name's sake and give us fresh insights into the need and power of intercession. We ask You to raise up men and women in our generation who understand the power of intercessory prayer and to appoint them as advocates for others. Revive our hearts, O Lord, and fill our hearts with the same love Jesus had while on earth that we will give ourselves to the work of intercession. Remove the hindrances in our lives that keep us from the fullness that gives us the power of Your spirit for the ministry of intercession. Enlarge our hearts and grant us a willingness to offer and yield ourselves to Your more and more for the work intercession for the glory of Your name.