Prayer Guide- Disunity: A Revival Hindrance

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Thursday-	"Let us exalt and triumph in our troubles and rejoice in our
Cry out to God for mercy and forgiveness for how often the church in North America is known more for its divisions and unlovingness than by love. Confess to God and repent of the lack of meekness, tenderness of heart, humility and patience in our lives. Ask His forgiveness for how often we pass by others daily without even a thought of love towards them and for our indifference to the millions going into eternity without Him.	sufferings, knowing that pressure and affliction and hardship produce patience and unswerving endurance. And endurance develops maturity of character. And character produces joyful and confident hope Such hope never disappoints or deludes or shames us, for God's love has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us." (Rom. 5:3-5, AMP)
Friday- Sink down in utter helplessness before God asking that the love wherewith He has loved the Son would fill our hearts afresh.	And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it; that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them." (John 17:26, KJV)
Saturday- In shame confess to our Lord that our love is not all He has commanded it to be. Ask His forgiveness and cleansing. Beg him to mark us with His presence and love.	"A new command Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:34-35, NIV)
Sunday— Look to the Lord asking Him to so possess our hearts with His love that it would permeate every word, thought and deed of our daily lives. Ask Him to unite you in such oneness with Him that you would be a servant of His divine love to mankind.	"Little children, let us not love [merely] in theory or in speech but in deed and in truth." (1 John 3:18, AMP)
Monday- Thank God that He is willing to take from Himself and fill us with His love. Ask Him to fill our hearts with more of Himself, that is, with more of His 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, KJV)
Tuesday- Entreat the Lord to help us live in the experiential knowledge of all that Jesus has provided for us by His shed blood in order to love. Ask Him to help us express the same kind and quality of love that He revealed.	"By this we come to know love: that He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay our lives down for our brothers." (1 John 3:16, AMP)
Wednesday- Ask God to help us live in the reality and understanding that if our hearts are not filled with love for others that our supposed love for God is a delusion. Beg Him, for His name's sake, to bring each of us into such abiding union with Him that our hearts would be filled with love for our brethren and all mankind.	"God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him We love because He first loved us. If someone says, 'I love God,' but hates his brother, he is a liar And this commandment we have from him, that the lone who loves God should love his brother also." (1 John 4:16-21, NASB)

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Reflection

"The Bible leaves no doubt that loving God means loving each other... No one can truly love God yet be unkind or bitter toward fellow Christians... Jesus made clear that anger and disunity among believers seriously blocks our relationships with Him... In terms of love and fellowship today, church is in a major crisis... It may even sound strange to call disunity a 'preeminent' revival hindrance. Yet surveys reveal divisive conflict and lack of love are even more prevalent than out right immorality... Without question, God is extremely serious about strong love and unity among Christians! This issue is absolutely central to God's kingdom purpose and to exalting His name... Throughout revival history, restored relationships are significant in sweeping revivals." –Gregory R. Frizzell (Releasing the Revival Flood, pg. 6-8)

Prayer

Almighty God, for Your glory, we ask that You cleanse us of the sin that hardens our hearts to You and Your love. Forgive us for our acts of unkindness, our bitterness with one another, for the anger You see in us, and for our disunity. Help us understand how such sin blocks our relationship with You and hinders revival in our land. For the glory of Your name, revive us of our preeminent revival hindrance. Cleanse us of these sins and fill our hearts anew with Christ-like love for the glory of Your name. Amen.