

SC Klesis Prayer Project 2019 // Prayer Guide

BEGIN

Starting is often the hardest part of prayer. Our thoughts are scattered and our hearts aren't ready. Here are some things you can try to focus your thoughts and engage your heart in prayer.

<p style="text-align: center;">Get Focused</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Put away your phone. Bring a prayer notebook to jot down your thoughts Jot down and set aside any to-dos that come to mind.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Acknowledge God</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sing / recite your favorite hymn. What's one thing you can praise God about no matter how you feel? Give thanks to God out loud. "God, you are my..." (Creator, Savior, Lord, Father, etc)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bring Yourself</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Confess how you're feeling and commit your next 15 minutes to God to relate with Him. Pray the tax collector's prayer. "Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner." (Luke 18:13)</p>
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Choose one of the passages below to pray through. You can start by reciting the passage. You can also use any of the prayer prompts to jumpstart your prayers.

Ephesians 2:1-10		Colossians 4:2-4	
<p>And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.</p> <p>...But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ... 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God</p> <p>For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.</p>	<p>Thank God for what he's saved you from. Pray for those who are still following the course of this world, for God's mercy upon them to allow us to intervene and change the course of their paths.</p> <p>Thank God for his mercy, love and grace for us. Praise God for our salvations and this gift of eternal life.</p> <p>Pray for the upcoming good work ahead of us for fall outreach that we would not be lazy this summer but diligent to prepare our hearts, mind and hands for outreach.</p>	<p>Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving</p> <p>At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison –</p> <p>that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak.</p>	<p>Think about the people in your life. Have you noticed anything you can pray for them about? What are their needs? Pray a prayer of gratitude to God.</p> <p>Pray for any people in your life you are currently hoping to share the Gospel with (family, friends, classmates, coworkers, etc.) Pray also for evangelism efforts in Fall 2019.</p> <p>Pray for opportunities to have gospel conversations, divine encounters, that we can meet seekers, the people's barriers to Christianity be lowered, and winsomeness in our conversations.</p>

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Give thanks to God for this time of prayer.