

Standing in the Gap



What Does It Mean to Stand in the Gap?

“I looked for someone
among them who
would build up the wall
and **stand before me in
the gap** on behalf of the
land so I would not
have to destroy it, but I
found no one.”
Ezekiel 22:30



Intercessory Prayers in the Bible

- Isaac prayed to the LORD **on behalf of his wife**, because she was barren; and the LORD answered him and Rebekah his wife conceived (*Genesis 25:21*).
- So He (God) declared he would destroy them. But Moses, his chosen one, **stepped between the Lord and the people**. He begged him to turn from his anger and not destroy them (*Psalms 106:23*).
- Abraham intercedes for Sodom (*Genesis 18*).
- And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, **“Lord, do not hold this sin against them.”** And when he had said this, he fell asleep (*Acts 7:60*).
- Brothers, my heart’s desire and **prayer to God for them** is that they may be saved (*Romans 10:1*).
- And Jesus said, **“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”** And they cast lots to divide his garments (*Luke 23:34*).
- Therefore He (Jesus) is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since **He always lives to make intercession for them** (*Hebrews 7:25*).

Tears of Intercession

Hannah

1 Samuel 1:7, 10-15 This went on year after year. Whenever Hannah went up to the house of the Lord, her rival provoked her till she wept and would not eat. *v10* In her deep anguish Hannah prayed to the Lord, weeping bitterly.

Hezekiah

2 Kings 20:5 “Return and say to Hezekiah the leader of My people, “Thus says the Lord, the God of your father David, “I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; behold, I will heal you. On the third day you shall go up to the house of the Lord.

Jesus

Hebrews 5:7 While Jesus was here on earth, he offered prayers and pleadings, with a loud cry and tears, to the one who could rescue him from death...

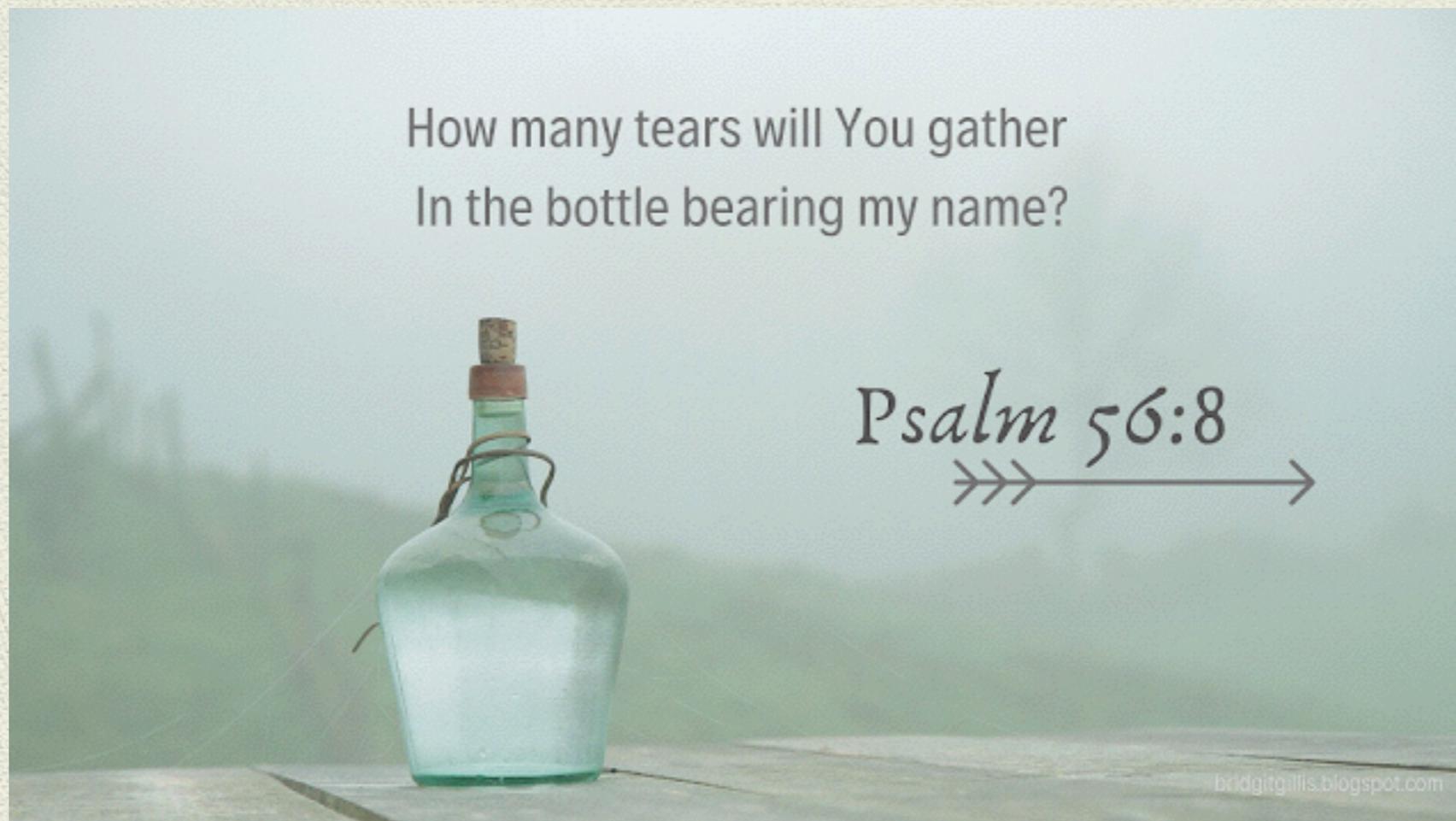


Take heart, God sees our tears!

Psalm 56:8 You keep track of all my sorrows.

You have collected all my tears in your bottle.

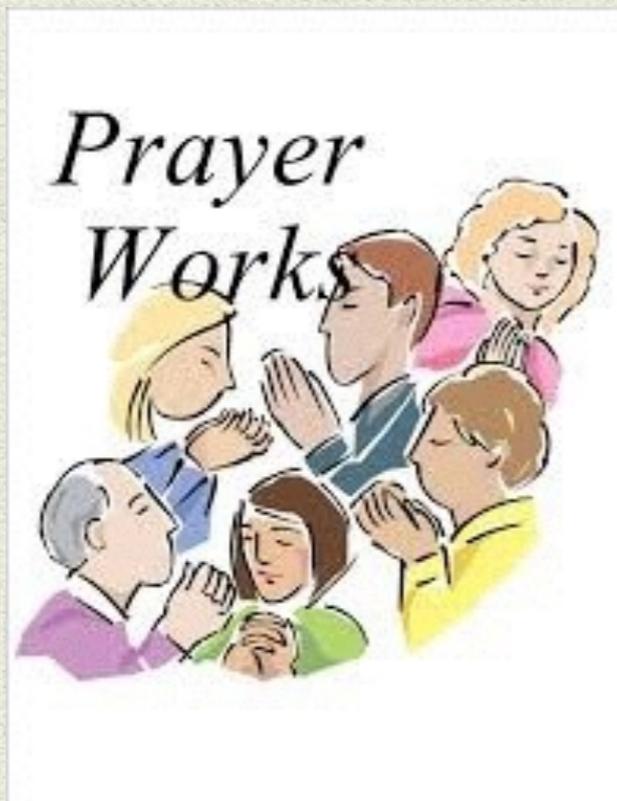
You have recorded each one in your book.



Pray for Others

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.

1 Timothy 2:1



How to Pray (A.C.T.S.)

A-doration

Rejoicing in God's character

"3... who **forgives** all your sins
and **heals** all your diseases,
4 who **redeems** your life from the pit
and **crowns** you with love and compassion,
5 who **satisfies** your desires with good things
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's." *Psalm 103:3-5*

The Attributes of God

A-lmighty, Alpha

B-ountiful Creator

C-ounselor, Comforter

D-eliverer

E-ternal, Everlasting Father

F-aithful, Forgiving

G-uide

H-ope, Healer, Holy Spirit

I-ncredible, Invincible

J-ehovah Jireh

K-ing

L-ord, Light

M-ighty Warrior, Merciful

(Source: Unknown)

The Attributes of God

N-oble

O-mnipotent, Omniscient, Omnipresent (all-powerful, all-knowing,
present everywhere)

P-rotector, Prince of Peace

Q-uickening Spirit

R-estorer, Redeemer, Refuge

S-overiegn, Savior

T-rustworthy

U-nderstanding, Unwavering

V-ictorious

W-onderful, Worthy of all Praise

X-traordinary God

Y-ahweh

Z-ealous God

(Source: Unknown)

How to Pray (A.C.T.S.)

C-onfession

Then I acknowledged my sin to you
and did not cover up my iniquity.

I said, “**I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.**”

And you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Psalm 32:5

Therefore **repent and return**, so that your sins may be wiped
away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the
presence of the Lord.

Acts 3:19

How to Pray (A.C.T.S.)

T-thanksgiving

Expression of Gratitude to God

- 1 Chronicles 16:34: "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever."
- Colossians 4:2: "Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving."
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18: "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."
- Psalm 28:7 The Lord is my strength and my shield; My heart trusts in Him, and I am helped; Therefore my heart exults, And with my song I shall thank Him.
- Psalm 50:14: "Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High."

How to Pray (A.C.T.S.)

S-supplication

Asking God for something earnestly

- Psalm 86:6 Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; And give heed to the voice of my supplications!
- Psalm 143;1 Hear my prayer, O Lord, Give ear to my supplications! Answer me in Your faithfulness, in Your righteousness!
- 1 Thessalonians 5:17 pray without ceasing;
- Daniel 9:3 So I gave my attention to the Lord God to seek Him by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth and ashes.
- 1 Timothy 2:1 First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men.
- Ephesians 6:18 With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints.

Prayers for Unfaithful Husband

Mark 10:9

Heavenly Father, Your Word says, “what God has joined together, let no man separate”. You have joined us together as husband and wife and so I give You glory and praise. Lord, the enemy has seeped into our marriage and has caused my husband to abandon the marital home. But in the Name of Jesus, I pray against every evil spirit that is trying to terminate this marriage in Jesus’s Name. Amen.

Isaiah 54:17

Oh Lord, I declare Your Word over my marriage right now. I declare that “no weapon formed against us shall prosper.” Lord, please help my husband to return to his family. Please destroy the spirit of lust, adultery and sexual immorality operating in His life. Use Your mighty power to turn him from sin. Let every tongue that rises against us be condemned, in Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen

Prayers for Unfaithful Husband

Psalm 51:12

Dear Father, I pray that You will intervene in our marriage and that You will bring restoration to our broken relationship. Lord, as much as I am hurting right now due to my husband's infidelity, I pray that You will help me to forgive Him as You have forgiven me for my sinful attitude towards Him. Father, bind up the evil spirits that are behind our separation. I pray against the spirit of assassination that is looming over our marriage and I pray that my husband will return home. In Jesus's Name. Amen.

Mark 10:8, Esther 6:1

Dear Lord, I praise You because You Lord have joint us together as one flesh, so that we are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, as You have joint us together as one, I pray that just as you caused sleep to escape from the King in Esther 6:1, I humbly pray that my husband and his unlawful partner will not be able to rest or sleep until He is released from this sexual relationship and returns home. This I ask in Your Name. Amen.

Prayers for Unfaithful Husband

Proverbs 18:22, Proverbs 31:12, Ephesians 5:25

Lord, You said that “He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favor from the Lord”. I pray that You will help my husband to return home so that He may obtain favor from You. Father, I promise that as a virtuous wife, I will do good to him and not evil, even though he has cheated and has been unfaithful to me. Lord, please return my husband back to me. Holy Spirit, refresh the covenant vows of our marriage in his heart. Help him love me as Your Word instructs husbands to love their wives. In Jesus’s Name, Amen.

Luke 18:27, Jeremiah 32:37, Jeremiah 32:17

Dear Father, I love You with all of my heart. I thank You for sustaining me in this difficult time within my family at home. Lord, please send a message of conviction to my husband for his sexual sin. Father, help him to confess his fault before You. I believe by faith that there is nothing too hard for You. So God, please intervene on my behalf so that we can be restored in a right relationship with one another and with You. In Jesus’s Name, Amen.

Prayers for Unfaithful Husband

Psalm 32:5, Psalm 69:5

Dear Lord, I know that my husband has been having an affair and I pray this prayer of petition asking that You will deal and mend my broken heart. Help me Lord to endure and to not give up. I also ask that You will speak to my husband so he may see the consequences of his adulterous life style and that You will lead him to confess his sins. I place You God at the center of this marriage and I pray that through the power of the Holy Spirit, my husband shall return home quickly. In Jesus's Name. Amen.

Suggested Prayers for Husband's Repentance and Deliverance

Prayer for His Repentance

Lord, I pray that You would convict my husband of any error in his life. Let there be "nothing covered that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known" (*Matthew 10:26*).

Cleanse him from any secret sins and teach him to be a person who is quick to confess when he is wrong (*Psalms 19:12*).

Help him to recognize his mistakes. Give him eyes to see Your truth and ears to hear Your voice (*Isaiah 30:21; Psalm 119:27*).

Bring him to full repentance before You (*Acts 3:19*).

If there is suffering to be done, let it be the suffering of a remorseful heart and not because the crushing hand of the enemy has found an opening into his life through unconfessed sin (*2 Corinthians 7:10*).

Lord, I know that humility must come before honor (*Proverbs 15:33*). Take away all pride that would cause him to deny his faults and work into his soul a humility of heart so that he will receive the honor You have for him.

Suggested Prayers for Husband's Repentance and Deliverance

Prayer for His Deliverance

Lord, You have said to call upon You in the day of trouble and You will deliver us (*Psalm 50:15*). I call upon You now and ask that You would work deliverance in my husband's life. Deliver him from anything that binds him. Set him free from (*name your specific concern here, example: Lust, Sexual Fantasy, Sexual Immorality, Adultery, Pornography, Sexual Perversions, Masturbation, and all manners of sexual sin, all kinds of addictions, pride, anger, unforgiveness, bitterness, resentment, lying, etc.*).

Deliver him quickly and be a rock of refuge and a fortress of defense to save him (*Psalm 31:2*).

Deliver him from the hands of the enemy (*Psalm 31:15*).

Bring him to a place of understanding where he can recognize the work of evil and cry out to You for help (*1 Thessalonians 5:22; 2 Timothy 2:22*).

Give him the certainty that even in his most hopeless state, when he finds it impossible to change anything, You, Lord, can change everything (*Matthew 19:26*).

Suggested Prayers for Husband's Repentance and Deliverance

Prayer for His Deliverance

Help him understand that “we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places” (*Ephesians 6:12*).

I pray that he will be strong in the Lord and put on the whole armor of God so he can stand against the wiles of the devil in the evil day. Help him to gird his waist with truth and put on the breastplate of righteousness, having shod his feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace. Enable him to take up the shield of faith, with which to quench all the fiery darts of the evil one. I pray that he will take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful and standing strong to the end (*Ephesians 6:13-18*).

Deliverance and Renunciation of Sexual Sin

I renounce all sexual sin that I have been involved with in the past including fornication, masturbation, pornography, perversion, fantasy, and adultery in the name of Jesus.

I break all curses of adultery, perversion, fornication, lust, incest, rape, molestation, illegitimacy, harlotry, and polygamy in the name of Jesus.

I command all spirits of lust and perversion to come out of my stomach, genitals, eyes, mind, mouth, hands, and blood in the name of Jesus.

I present my body to the Lord as a living sacrifice (Rom. 12:1).

My members are the members of Christ. I will not let them be the members of a harlot (1 Cor. 6:15).

I release the fire of God to burn out all unclean lust from my life in the name of Jesus.

I break all ungodly soul ties with former lovers and sexual partners in the name of Jesus.

Deliverance and Renunciation of Sexual Sin

I cast out all spirits of loneliness that would drive me to ungodly sexual relationships in the name of Jesus.

I command all spirits of hereditary lusts from my ancestors to come out in the name of Jesus.

I command all spirits of witchcraft that work with lust to leave me in the name of Jesus.

I take authority over my thoughts and bind all spirits of fantasy and lustful thinking in the name of Jesus.

I cast out all marriage-breaking spirits of lust that would break covenant in the name of Jesus.

I cast out and loose myself from any spirit spouses and spirits of incubus and succubus in the name of Jesus.

I cast out all spirits of perversion, including Moabite and Ammonite spirits of lust, in the name of Jesus.

Deliverance and Renunciation of Sexual Sin

I receive the spirit of holiness in my life to walk in sexual purity in the name of Jesus (Rom. 1:4).

I loose myself from the spirit of the world, lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. I overcome the world through the power of the Holy Spirit (1 John 2:16).

I am crucified with Christ. I mortify my members. I do not let sin reign in my body, and I will not obey its lust (Rom. 6:6-12).

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