

Prayer Sheet 141: God Has Endless Thoughts of Peace Towards Us

Prepare Heart (Enter the Prayer Room 15 minutes prior, wait on God in praise and worship music)

I. Praise (12-15 minutes): Praise God for who He is, His attributes, His name, or His character (use short prayers with God's word, no intercessory requests during this time).

Attribute: God Has Endless Thoughts of Peace Towards Us

Declaration: God's endless thoughts are for peace, not for calamity. When people sin, God sends calamity for discipline and correction, reflecting His righteousness!

Scriptures (ESV):

- [Genesis 50:19-20] Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today."
- [Isaiah 55:8-9] For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.
- [Jeremiah 29:11-13] For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.
- [Ezekiel 36:26,29a] And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ... I will save you from all your uncleanness.
- [Psalms 40:5] You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.
- [Psalms 139:17-18a] How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! If I would count them, they are more than the sand.

II. Confession (2-3 minutes): Confess and repent. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9 (NKJV)

III. Thanksgiving (8-12 minutes): Thank God for what He has done; also thank God for adversities, submitting to God's sovereignty. No intercessory requests during this time. "In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." 1 Thessalonians 5:18 (NKJV)

IV. Intercession (30-40 minutes): According to the theme of the day, first pray the scriptures then pray for specific matters. Group 2-3 intercessors together.

Intercessory Scriptures:

For believers, choose a1 or a2

- a1. O God, please help _____ rejoice in You always, be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let _____'s requests be made known to You; and Your peace, which surpasses all understanding, will guard _____'s heart...through Christ Jesus. [Philippians 4:4-7]
- a2. Heavenly Father, please help _____ meditate on whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy. [Philippians 4:8]

For unbelievers

Heavenly Father, please give to _____ the spirit of wisdom and revelation so that _____ may know You. Open the eyes of _____, turn _____ from darkness to light, from the power of Satan to God, so that _____ may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 1:17; Acts 26:18)

Pray for schools/workplaces: (5-10 minutes) Use scriptures "a" or "b" to pray for principals, teachers/bosses, employees; pray for spiritual awakening and revival, protection, etc.

V. Pray for Nations, Churches/Organizations, and All People (5 minutes): Pray freely for the following points as the Holy Spirit leads. **1. Nations:** nations and governments, those in authority, peace, justice, the spread of the Gospel, and the salvation of people; **2. Churches/Organizations:** churches, ministries, missions, and their leaders; unity, holiness, wisdom, strength, protection, and faithfulness in fulfilling God's calling; **3. All People:** families, children, young people, and those in need. (Note: Keep the content of intercession in the prayer room, do not spread it out!)