

Prayer Sheet 214: God Wants Us to Be Content

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 Wants Us to Be Content

Declaration: God does not withhold any good thing from those who walk uprightly. We should be satisfied with God's provision while seeking His wisdom!

Scriptures (ESV):

- [Luke 3:11-14] And he answered them, "Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise." Tax collectors also came to be baptized and said to him, "Teacher, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Collect no more than you are authorized to do." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages."
- [Luke 12:15] And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."
- [Ephesians 5:1, 3] Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children ... But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints.
- [Philippians 4:11b-13] For I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.
- [Colossians 3:5-6] Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming.
- [1 Timothy 6:6-8] But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.
- [Hebrews 13:5] Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

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. May God abundantly bless ____ with all grace, so that ____ will always have sufficiency in all things and may abound in every good work. May You increase the fruits of ____'s righteousness, so that ____ may be enriched in every way and be generous on every occasion, resulting in thanksgiving to You. (Reference: [2 Corinthians 9:8-10])
- a2. Dear Lord Jesus, thank You for the blood of Your covenant, shed for ____ for the remission of ____'s sins. Please help ____ to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live

self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in this present age, while waiting for the appearing of Your glory. (References: [Matthew 26:28], [Titus 2:11-13])

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!)