

Prayer Sheet 216: God Wants Us to Love One Another

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 Love One Another

Declaration: Through loving one another, we not only demonstrate our obedience to God but also show that we are disciples of Jesus Christ.

Scriptures (ESV):

- [John 13:34-35] A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.
- [Romans 12:9-10] Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.
- [Romans 13:8] Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.
- [Ephesians 4:1-3] I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- [1 Thessalonians 4:9] Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another.
- [1 Peter 1:22] Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart.
- [1 Peter 4:8-10] Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.
- [1 John 4:7, 10-11] Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God... In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

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. Heavenly Father, according to the riches of Your glory, may You strengthen ____ with power through Your Spirit in ____'s inner being, so that Christ may dwell in ____'s heart through faith. May ____ be rooted and established in love and, together with all the saints, grasp how wide, long, high, and deep is the love of Christ. (Reference: [Ephesians 3:16-18])
- a2. Heavenly Father, thank You for granting ____ grace and love in Christ Jesus, so that ____ is enriched in every way in Him, in all speech and all knowledge. Thank You that You will also strengthen ____ to the end, so that ____ may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Reference: [1 Corinthians 1:4-8])

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!)