

## Prayer Sheet 228: God Delights in Our Songs of Praise

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 Delights in Our Songs of Praise

**Declaration:** The Almighty Lord is our Savior. We sing praises to Him, and He performs miracles and wonders in our worship and praise.

**Scriptures (ESV):**

- [Exodus 15:1-2a] Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the Lord, saying, "I will sing to the Lord, for He has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider He has thrown into the sea. The Lord is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation."
- [2 Chronicles 20:21-22] And when he had taken counsel with the people, he appointed those who were to sing to the Lord and praise Him in holy attire, as they went before the army, and say, "Give thanks to the Lord, for His steadfast love endures forever." And when they began to sing and praise, the Lord set an ambush against the men of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah, so that they were routed.
- [Psalm 95:1-2] Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!
- [Psalm 100:2-4] Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into His presence with singing! Know that the Lord, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!
- [Isaiah 12:5-6] Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.
- [Acts 16:25-26] About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened.
- [Ephesians 5:19-20] Addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**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. Dear Heavenly Father, please grant \_\_\_\_ heavenly joy and allow \_\_\_\_ to experience Your presence and power in praise and worship. Just as Paul and Silas prayed and sang hymns to You in prison, and You caused a violent earthquake to shake the prison, open the doors, and loosen the chains, may \_\_\_\_ also encounter Your mighty works. (Reference: [Acts 16:25-26])

a2. Dear Heavenly Father, please help \_\_\_\_ to feel Your love and power in worship. Just as

Jehoshaphat and the people appointed singers to praise the Lord, and You set ambushes against the enemy armies, may Your grace be revealed in \_\_\_\_'s life. (Reference: [2 Chronicles 20:21-22])

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!)