

Prayer Sheet 28: God is Good and Gracious

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 is Good and Gracious

Declaration: God is good and gracious; the fruit of the Holy Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

Scriptures (ESV):

- [Nehemiah 9:17b,20] But you are a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and did not forsake them. You gave your good Spirit to instruct them and did not withhold your manna from their mouth and gave them water for their thirst.
- [Nahum 1:7] The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; he knows those who take refuge in him.
- [Psalm 25:8] Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
- [Psalm 86:5] For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.
- [Psalm 34:8-10] Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack! The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
- [Psalm 145:15-19] The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing. The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works. The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.
- [John 10:11] (Jesus says) I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

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, may You count _____ worthy of Your calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of Your goodness and the work of faith with power, that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in _____, and _____ in Him, according to Your grace and the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2 Thessalonians 1:11-12)

a2. Dear Lord Jesus Christ, thank You for strengthening _____; thank You for the exceedingly abundant grace towards _____. May You increase _____'s faith and love in You. (1 Timothy 1:12,14)

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!)