

Prayer Sheet 318. God Does Not Want Us to Utter or Mention False Gods' Names

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 Does Not Want Us to Utter or Mention False Gods' Names

Declaration: Our God is holy and unique; He does not want us to call upon or rely on any false gods, for those who worship false gods will only increase their sorrows!

Scriptures (ESV):

- [Exodus 23:13] Pay attention to all that I have said to you, and make no mention of the names of other gods, nor let it be heard on your lips.
- [Joshua 23:5, 7] The LORD your God will push them back before you and drive them out of your sight. And you shall possess their land, just as the LORD your God promised you. ... that you may not mix with these nations remaining among you or make mention of the names of their gods or swear by them or serve them or bow down to them.
- [Hosea 2:16-17, 19-20] And in that day, declares the LORD, you will call me 'My Husband,' and no longer will you call me 'My Baal.' For I will remove the names of the Baals from her mouth, and they shall be remembered by name no more. ... And I will betroth you to me forever. I will betroth you to me in righteousness and in justice, in steadfast love and in mercy. I will betroth you to me in faithfulness. And you shall know the LORD.
- [Psalm 16:4] The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.
- [Revelation 14:9-11] And another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a loud voice, 'If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, he also will drink the wine of God's wrath, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever, and they have no rest, day or night, these worshipers of the beast and its image, and whoever receives the mark of its name.'

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 Lord Jesus, You personally taught us to love God with all our heart, soul, and mind. Please help ____ to love the Lord our God with all ____'s thoughts and understanding, with all ____'s emotions and will, and with all ____'s knowledge and wisdom. (Ref. [Matthew 22:37])

a2. Dear Lord Jesus, You alone are the way, the truth, and the life; no one can come to the Father except through You. Please help ____ to trust in You alone and follow You steadfastly until ____ meets the Father in our heavenly home. (Ref. [John 14:6])

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!)