

Prayer Sheet 353. God Delights in Our Good Works

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 Good Works

Declaration: God Calls Us to Do Good in Our Lives; He delights in our acts of goodness and calls us to be the light and salt of the world, manifesting His glory!

Scriptures (ESV):

- [Romans 12:13] Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.
- [Galatians 6:6] Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches.
- [Galatians 6:9-10] And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.
- [Philippians 4:18] I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God.
- [2 Thessalonians 3:12-13] Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.
- [1 Timothy 6:17-19] As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.
- [Hebrews 6:10-11] For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do. And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end.
- [Hebrews 13:16] Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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 cause _____'s love to abound more and more in knowledge and all discernment so that _____ may approve what is excellent and be pure and blameless until the day of Christ. May _____ be filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. (Ref. [Philippians 1:9-11])

a2. In the name of the Lord Jesus, we declare that, through the Lord Jesus Christ who loves _____, _____ has already overcome in all things. Dear Heavenly Father, please help _____ to be fully

mature in all of Your will, strong in faith, and able to stand firm. (Ref. [Romans 8:37], [Colossians 4:12])

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!)