

A DAILY PRAYER

My dear Lord Jesus, I come to you now to be restored in you—to renew my place in you, my allegiance to you, and to receive from you all the grace and mercy I so desperately need this day. I honor you as my sovereign Lord, and I surrender every aspect of my life totally and completely to you. I give you my body as a living sacrifice, I give you my soul and my spirit as well. I cover myself with your blood—my spirit, my soul and my body. And I ask your Holy spirit to restore my union with you, seal me in you, and guide me in this time of prayer. In all that I now pray, I include (my wife and my children by name). Acting as their head, I bring them under my authority and covering, and I come under your authority and covering. Holy Spirit, apply to them all that I now pray on their behalf.

Dear God, holy and blessed Trinity, you alone are worthy of all my worship, my heart's devotion, all my praise and all my trust and all the glory of my life. I worship you, bow to you, and give myself over to you in my heart's search for life. You alone are Life, and you have become my life.

I renounce all other gods, all idols, and I give you the place in my heart and in my life that you truly deserve. I confess here and now that it is all about you God, and not about me. You are the Hero of this story, and I belong to you.

Forgive me, God for my every sin. Search me and know me and reveal to me any aspect of my life that is not pleasing to you. And grant me the grace of a deep and true repentance.

Heavenly Father, thank you for loving me and choosing me before you made the world.

You are my true Father—my Creator, my Redeemer, my Sustainer, and the true end of all things, including my life. I love you, I trust you, I worship you.

Thank you for proving your love for me by sending your only Son, Jesus to be my substitute and representative.

I receive him, and all his life and all his work, which you ordained for me. Thank you for including me in Christ, for forgiving my sins, for granting me his righteousness, and for making me complete in him. Thank you for making me alive with Christ, raising me with him, seating me with him at your right hand, granting me his authority and anointing me with your Holy Spirit, I receive it all with thanks and give it total claim to my life.

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Thank you Jesus for coming for me and ransoming me with your own life. I honor you as my Lord, I love you, worship you, trust you.

I sincerely receive you as my redemption, and I receive all the work and triumph of your crucifixion, whereby I am cleansed from all my sin through your shed blood, my old nature is removed, my heart is circumcised unto God. I take my place in your cross and death, whereby I have died with you to sin, to the flesh, to the world and to the evil one. I am crucified with Christ. I take up my cross and crucify my flesh with all its pride, unbelief, and idolatry. I put off the old man. I put the cross of Christ between me and all people, all spirits, all things. Holy Spirit, apply to me (my wife and my children) the fullness of the work of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ for me. I receive it with thanks and give it total claim to my life.

Jesus, I also sincerely receive you as my new life, my holiness and sanctification, and I receive all the work and triumph of your resurrection, whereby I have been raised with you to a new life, to walk in newness of life, dead to sin and alive to God. I am crucified with Christ and it is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me.

I take my place in your resurrection, putting on the new man in all holiness and humility,
in all righteousness and purity and truth.

Christ is now my life, the One who strengthens me. Holy Spirit, apply to me (my wife
and my children) the fullness of the resurrection of Jesus Christ for me. I receive it with
thanks and give it total claim to my life.

Jesus, I sincerely receive you as my everlasting deliverance from and victory over Satan,
and I receive all the work and triumph of your ascension, whereby I have been raised
with you to the right hand of the Father, and established with you in all authority. I take
my place in your ascension, whereby I am given fullness in you, in your power, authority,
and dominion over every ruler, power, authority, and spiritual force of wickedness. I
claim the cross and blood of Jesus Christ against Satan, against his kingdom, and against
all his emissaries and all their work against me and my domain. Satan is defeated, the
prince of this world is cast down, the rulers and authorities are disarmed. Greater is he
who is in me than he who is in the world.

Christ has given me authority to overcome all the power of the evil one and I claim that authority now over and against every enemy.

Holy Spirit, apply to me (my wife and my children) the fullness of the work of the ascension of Jesus Christ for me. I receive it with thanks and give it total claim to my life.

Holy Spirit, I sincerely receive you as my Counselor, my Comforter, my strength and my guide. Thank you for sealing me in Christ. I ask you to lead me into all truth, to anoint me for all my life and walk, and calling, and to lead me deeper into Jesus today. Apply to me blessed Holy Spirit, all the works and all the gifts in Pentecost.

I fully open my life to you in every dimension and aspect, choosing to be filled with you, to walk in step with you in all things. Fill me fresh, blessed Holy Spirit. I receive you with thanks and give you total claim to my life (and to the lives of my wife and my children).

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for granting to me all spiritual blessings in the heavens, in Christ Jesus. I receive those blessings into my life today, and I ask the Holy Spirit to bring all those blessings into my life this day. Thank you for the blood of Jesus. Wash me with his blood from every sin and stain and evil device.

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Equip me with your armor—the belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, the shoes of the gospel, the helmet of salvation. I take up the shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit, the word of God, and I wield these weapons against the evil one in the power of God. I choose to pray at all times in the Spirit.

Heavenly Father, thank you for your angels. I summon them in the authority of Jesus Christ and release them to war for me and my household. Thank you for the intercessors, I ask you to send forth your Spirit and raise them up, arouse them, unite them, establish and direct them, raising up the full canopy of prayer and intercession for me. I call forth the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ this day throughout my home, my family and my life.

All this I pray in the name of Jesus Christ with all glory and honor and thanks to him.
Amen!

This prayer was taken from the Wild At Heart Field Manual by John Eldredge. He adapted it from a prayer found in Ed Murphy's The Spiritual Handbook.

This is a great daily prayer for you and your family. It takes about ten minutes to read through, if you think you don't have time for that then get up earlier. Your family deserves it.

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