

Faith Fight Podcast - Blessing Your New House

If you recently moved into a new house, one of the first things that you need to do is bless it. You may not have known who was in there before you, or what they did in there, but by blessing the home, you invite the Holy Spirit of God to dwell in that home with you. Along with God's presence in the home, is also the fullness of all of God's blessings on your new home.

*Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in obedience to him. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your children will be like olive shoots around your table. Yes, this will be the blessing for the man who fears the Lord. - **Psalm 128:1-4***

The psalmist wrote that a good family is a reward for following God. The values outlined in God's word include love, service honesty, integrity and prayer. These help relationships and they are especially vital to home life.

*Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain. - **Psalm 127:1-2***

Families establish homes but it is futile without God. A family without God can never experience the spiritual bond God brings to relationships.

*By wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches. - **Proverbs 24:3-4***

A family is built up, furnished and supplied with the necessities of life, and brought into prosperous circumstances. Through wise and prudent management and the blessing of God upon them their household will prosper, without having to take methods that evil men do.

*Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayer that is made in this place. For now I have chosen and consecrated this house that my name may be there forever. My eyes and my heart will be there for all time. - **2 Chronicles 7:15-16***

In this chapter Solomon just finished building the temple for the Lord. God spoke to him and said that since there is now a place for His presence can dwell, his ears will listen to the prayers made in that place. Your prayer as you bless your home is that God's presence will be welcomed in your home that He will always hear your prayers.

*For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the Lord. And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt. - **Exodus 12:12-13***

God instructed the Israelites to put the blood of a lamb on their door post and it will be a sign as protection from the plagues that He was going to send upon Egypt. Today we don't have to use the blood of lambs but we can bless the house and apply the blood to Jesus over our homes to protect you and your family and household from anything.

*And David was afraid of the Lord that day, and said, How shall the ark of the Lord come to me? So David would not remove the ark of the Lord unto him into the city of David: but David carried it aside into the house of Obbedom the Gittite. And the ark of the Lord continued in the house of Obbedom the Gittite three months: and the Lord blessed Obbedom, and all his household. - **2 Samuel 6:9-11***

As you move into your new home, ensure that you do what you need to do to welcome God's presence into your house. The Ark of the covenant represented God's presence. While it was in Obbedom's house, everything in his house and all his household was blessed. And when it says household, it isn't only referring to his physical house, but everything he had authority over with his name.

*When the priests withdrew from the Holy Place, the cloud filled the temple of the Lord. And the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled his temple. Then Solomon said, "The Lord has said that he would dwell in a dark cloud; I have indeed built a magnificent temple for you, a place for you to dwell forever." - **1 Kings 8:10-13***

Ensure there is a place in your house that you can go to in order to meet with God. God will meet you in that holy place in your home and speak with you there.

*"When you enter a house, first say, 'Peace to this house.' If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. - **Luke 10:5-6***

These verses were taken from when Jesus sent out the 72. As you bless your new home, ensure that your house is a place that can be a blessing to others. When other believers come over to your house they should feel the peace of God in your home in both a spiritual and hospitable way.

Weekly Prayer Plan – Blessing Your New House

How to Use this Template:

Download and save this document to begin using at the beginning (Monday) of every week. Every week will have different bible verses to meditate on based on the Faith Fight Podcast episode topic for that week. Determine the time and place that you will devote to prayer. The below structure is set for one hour and is only used as a guide. You can adjust your timing if necessary.

Time: _____

Place: _____

5 min – Drawing Near To God

5 min – Confession

10 min – God-Centered Petitions

10 min – Intercessory Prayer

10 min – Personal Petitions

15 min – Meditation

5 min – Praise, Thanksgiving & Closing

1. **DRAWING NEAR TO GOD** - Matt. 6:9 “This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name”

God the Father is the focus of all our prayers. We should never forget what a privilege it is to bend our knees on earth and reach almighty God in heaven.

2. **CONFESSION** - Matt. 6:12 “Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us”

When we repent and forgive others, we maintain fellowship with God. But if we hold grudges, that fellowship is broken. God loves to answer our prayers when the lines of communication are not disrupted.

3. **GOD CENTERED PETITIONS** Matt 6:10 “Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.”

Prayer should reflect a desire to align ourselves with God’s goals and purposes, not to get Him to follow our plans.

4. **PERSONAL PETITIONS** Matt 6:11 “Give us today our daily bread.”

We are dependent upon the Lord for our needs and He wants us to come to Him with our requests.

5. **MEDITATION Joshua 1:8** “Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.”

Meditation is thinking about the word of God to understand what it means in the context of the scripture and how it can apply to your life today. The Word of God is powerful enough to still be relevant in your life today even though it was written thousands of years ago.

Read through the scripture passages for today as listed below:

Meditational Verses

Monday: Psalm 128

Tuesday: Proverbs 24:3-4

Wednesday: Psalm 127

Thursday: 1 Kings 8:1-20

Friday: 2 Chronicles 7

Saturday: 2 Samuel 6

Sunday: Exodus 12:1-30

Once you have read the scripture for today, write down your answer to the questions below or any other insight/revelation that you receive in your prayer journal.

1. Is there a promise to claim?
2. Is there a lesson to learn?
3. Is there a blessing to enjoy?
4. Is there a command to obey?
5. Is there a sin to avoid?
6. Is there a new thought to carry with me?

6. **PRAISE & THANKSGIVING 1 John 5:14-15** “This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.”

We can end our prayer time with confidence that God has heard our prayer and will answer in His perfect timing. Demonstrate your faith in Him by showing thanks before you see the answer to your prayers.