

# Weekly Prayer Plan – A Bible Story for Every Situation in Life

## 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: Matthew 2:1-12

Tuesday: Mark 2:1-12

Wednesday: 2 Kings 6:8-23

Thursday: Matthew 4:1-11

Friday: 2 Kings 4:1-7

Saturday: Psalms 91:1-16

Sunday: 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

**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.*

# Notes & Bible Verses - A Bible Story for Every Situation in Life

Whatever challenge that we are facing in life, there is a Bible passage that we can read to learn how to deal with that situation. This is one of the reasons why it's important to read and study your Bible. So today I'm going to cover a few situations (I can't cover every situation in life. If I did this episode would be about 100hrs long) but there is not a situation that the Bible doesn't cover. You just have to know where to look.

## Seeking direction

*After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route. - **Matthew 2:9-12 NIV***

If you need direction you can learn from what the Wise men did here.

1. They brought what was precious to them from in their gold, frankincense and myrrh. Likewise, your worship has to be precious to you. It has to come from your heart.
2. They were overjoyed when the star stopped. This means that you have to be emotionally connected to God when you worship.
3. They sacrificed their time to seek for Jesus. By the time they reached Jesus he was a toddler. And they started to travel when the star appeared at his birth. So that means they have been travelling for at least 2 years.

The end result was that God gave them direction to take a different route home so that they wouldn't cross paths with Harod was going to harm them.

*Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it." - **Isaiah 30:21 NIV***

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. - **Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV***

## **Deliverance from Enemies all around**

*After consulting the people, Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the Lord and to praise him for the splendor of his holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: "Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever." As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated. - **2 Chronicles 20:21-22 NIV***

*When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. "Oh no, my Lord! What shall we do?" the servant asked. "Don't be afraid," the prophet answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them." And Elisha prayed, "Open his eyes, Lord, so that he may see." Then the Lord opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. As the enemy came down toward him, Elisha prayed to the Lord, "Strike this army with blindness." So he struck them with blindness, as Elisha had asked. Elisha told them, "This is not the road and this is not the city. Follow me, and I will lead you to the man you are looking for." And he led them to Samaria. After they entered the city, Elisha said, "Lord, open the eyes of these men so they can see." Then the Lord opened their eyes and they looked, and there they were, inside Samaria. - **2 Kings 6:15-20***

When we look at situations in the natural, they may seem like they are out numbering us. We should always remember that there is more for us than there is against us. The reason for this is because God has given us his angels to fight on our behalf and help us to overcome all challenges that prevent us from doing his will. Like Elisha did here, we need to pray and ask God to open our eyes so that we can see the help that he has already provided for us.

## **Overcoming temptation**

*Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'" Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him. - **Matthew 4:8-11***

Jesus gives a great example on how to overcome the enemy's temptations. Jesus responds to the enemy's temptation by using the word of God and he spoke the Word of God out of his mouth to overcome. This is how we should souls respond as well. I also wanted to point out a couple things that are necessary first.

1. Submission to God. James 4:7 says, "Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." So submission to God is essential to overcoming temptations. Are you daily following Gods leading and his Word?
2. Look for the way of escape and realize that the temptation is not stronger than you. 1 Corinthians 10:13 says, "No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it."

So in Matthew 4, Jesus defeated the temptation from the devil by using the Word, submitting to God and realizing that He was stronger than the temptation.

### **When you have a financial need**

*"But so that we may not cause offense, go to the lake and throw out your line. Take the first fish you catch; open its mouth and you will find a four-drachma coin. Take it and give it to them for my tax and yours." - **Matthew 17:27***

It's amazing that when we have a financial need that God is able to provide us. Here we see that God provided the tax money but still Peter had to go out and get it. Likewise, if we have a financial need, God will provide for us but we have to be obedient to go out and get it. He wants us to be active in the process.

*Elisha said, "Go around and ask all your neighbors for empty jars. Don't ask for just a few. Then go inside and shut the door behind you and your sons. Pour oil into all the jars, and as each is filled, put it to one side." She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she kept pouring. When all the jars were full, she said to her son, "Bring me another one." But he replied, "There is not a jar left." Then the oil stopped flowing. She went and told the man of God, and he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debts. You and your sons can live on what is left." - **2 Kings 4:3-7***

There's a lot in these verses as well. We see the obedience of the Widow to follow Elisha's directions. The oil only ran out when there was no more jars to fill. With the oil they collected from their house, they were able to pay off all their debt and live off the rest. So they had more than enough already. Likewise when you have a financial need, go to God and let him direct you. You already have what you need in you but you just need to listen obediently you God to allow his prosperity to flow in your life.

## Healing for yourself, friend or a family member

*“Some men came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus by digging through it and then lowered the mat the man was lying on. - **Mark 2:3-4***

*When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, because she thought, “If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.” Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering. - **Mark 5:27-29***

These two passages are so powerful to me because of a couple of reasons.

1. From Mark 2, we see that it was the friends of this paralyzed person that wanted healing for their friend. The paralyzed friend didn't do or say anything. So we need to have friends like that around us everyday or be that friend to the people around us.
2. In Mark 5 we see that a woman was suffering with an issue of bleeding. I love reading this because it encourages us to push through dispute of the crowd or pain that we are feeling. We can clearly see when we read that there was a lot of people around Jesus and this woman had to push through. But we often forgot that because for here sickness, she was probably bleeding as she was pushing through the crowd. She put all that pain behind her to reach for her healing and we need to take this approach as well when we need a healing.

## Daily Protection

*A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked. If you say, “The Lord is my refuge,” and you make the Most High your dwelling, no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. - **Psalms 91:7-12***

God covers his own with his faithfulness 24/7 providing us with a shield of protection. Regardless of the dangers we may face everyday, this is the confidence that we have in God. That he protects us so that we will not suffer harm. Regardless what those around you may suffer, no harm will happen in your life.

## **Living Right**

*No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize. - **1 Corinthians 9:27***

Only one passion in your life is worth your total commitment and pursuit. And that is loving and serving Christ. Don't disqualify yourself from receiving the prize by quitting the race or running in the wrong direction. Stay faithful to Gods word that would will receive the reward that God has for you.