

7 PRAYERS — FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

A PRAYER FOR A CHRIST-CENTERED MARRIAGE

THEREFORE, A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND HOLD FAST TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH...LET EACH ONE OF YOU LOVE HIS WIFE AS HIMSELF, AND LET THE WIFE SEE THAT SHE RESPECTS HER HUSBAND.

—EPHESIANS 5:29,31

Heavenly Father, thank You for bringing us together in Your perfect timing. In this journey together, I pray that we would build our relationship on You as our unwavering foundation. Help us to seek You and Your Kingdom above everything else. Help us show grace toward one another as we continually learn how to do life together. We want to abide in You daily and seek Your desires for us. Give us a passion for Your Word and allow it to shape our lives to be more like Christ. Prepare and equip us for the future and the purposes You have for our marriage and blended family. May all things be for Your fame and Your renown. Amen.

A PRAYER IN TIMES OF UNCERTAINTY

DO NOT BE ANXIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING, BUT IN EVERYTHING BY PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING LET YOUR REQUESTS BE MADE KNOWN TO GOD. AND THE PEACE OF GOD, WHICH SURPASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING, WILL GUARD YOUR HEARTS AND YOUR MINDS IN CHRIST JESUS.

—Philippians 4:6-7

Our Lord and God, thank You for being our faithful Provider. Thank You for being sovereign over our marriage and our family and for holding all things together by Your power and Your will. Nothing is a surprise to You because You know the beginning from the end. You are in control eternally. In seasons of uncertainty, we ask You to free us from fear and worry. Give us perfect peace that passes all understanding. Keep our hearts and minds focused on You and not on the circumstances around us. Guide us as we walk by faith and not by sight, relying on Your plans and timing. Make our paths straight. In everything we do, we seek to glorify You and love each other well. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR GOOD COMMUNICATION

BE NOT RASH WITH YOUR MOUTH, NOR LET YOUR HEART BE HASTY TO UTTER A WORD BEFORE GOD, FOR GOD IS IN HEAVEN AND YOU ARE ON EARTH. THEREFORE, LET YOUR WORDS BE FEW.

—Ecclesiastes 5:2

God of all truth, thank You for speaking to us through Your Word, through Your Spirit, and through other people. There is no limit to the ways You can speak to us. Thank You for hearing us when we pray. As a couple, we seek to communicate better with each other. Let us be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry. Let us demonstrate our love in what we say to each other. Help us to sincerely listen to each other instead of thinking of what to say next. Guard us against reckless or hasty words; instead, let our words bring healing, wisdom, and peace. Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts please You and honor each other. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR REBUKING THE ENEMY

"NO WEAPON THAT IS FASHIONED AGAINST YOU SHALL SUCCEED, AND YOU SHALL CONFUTE EVERY TONGUE THAT RISES AGAINST YOU IN JUDGMENT. THIS IS THE HERITAGE OF THE SERVANTS OF THE LORD AND THEIR VINDICATION FROM ME," DECLARES THE LORD.

—ISAIAH 54:17

Almighty God, You are King of Kings and Lord of Lords. You are the Lord Most High. All dominion, authority, and power belong to You alone. You are our fortress and our strength. We claim Your promise that nothing formed against us will prosper. By Your authority, we break any agreements we have made, consciously and unconsciously. We cast down any strongholds in our marriage, our blended family, and our personal lives. In Jesus' name, we rebuke the enemy and any evil devised against us. We command the enemy and his forces to leave us alone and declare that he will not have any place in our lives. We surrender all things to You. Be glorified in all things. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR TRANSITIONS

REMEMBER NOT THE FORMER THINGS, NOR CONSIDER THE THINGS OF OLD. BEHOLD, I AM DOING A NEW THING; NOW IT SPRINGS FORTH, DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT? I WILL MAKE A WAY IN THE WILDERNESS AND RIVERS IN THE DESERT.

—ISAIAH 43:8-9

God Almighty, You are the Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End. You make a way through the wilderness, and You give us rivers in desert places. You see our journey ahead and will make a way for us. We ask You to equip and guide us in this new season. Give us a vision of what You are doing and help us trust that You will accomplish your purposes, even when we can't see everything in full. We acknowledge that Your ways are higher than our ways. Give us the courage to let go of certainty and to embrace the unknown. Give us renewed energy, an openness to change, and a willingness to experience the new gifts You offer in this new place. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR UNITY

MAY THE GOD OF ENDURANCE AND ENCOURAGEMENT GRANT YOU TO LIVE IN SUCH HARMONY WITH ONE ANOTHER, IN ACCORD WITH CHRIST JESUS, THAT TOGETHER YOU MAY WITH ONE VOICE GLORIFY THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

—ROMANS 15:5-6

God, we thank You for being the Redeemer and Restorer of our hearts and lives. Thank You for our marriage and blended family. We confess and repent of any ways in which we have been selfish or self-centered. Forgive us for seeking our own good instead of considering each other's needs. We face so many challenges and tasks that draw us away from You and from one another. Continually remind us to prioritize our time and energy to spend with each other. Tear down any barriers between us. Give us unity in our plans and desires, and let those plans and desires align with Your will. Let Your love bring us together and bind us together in perfect unity. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

PUT ON THEN, AS GOD'S CHOSEN ONES, HOLY AND BELOVED, COMPASSIONATE HEARTS, KINDNESS, HUMILITY, MEEKNESS, AND PATIENCE, BEARING WITH ONE ANOTHER AND, IF ONE HAS A COMPLAINT AGAINST ANOTHER, FORGIVING EACH OTHER; AS THE LORD HAS FORGIVEN YOU, SO YOU ALSO MUST FORGIVE.

—COLOSSIANS 3:12-13

God of all mercy and grace, we thank You for being faithful and just to forgive our sins. Thank You for hurling our sins into the depths of the sea and remembering them no more. Thank You for the ultimate forgiveness demonstrated through Jesus's sacrificial death on the cross. We ask for forgiveness for the ways in which we have sinned against You and sinned against each other. Root out any pride and self-righteousness within us. Let us humbly seek forgiveness when we have wronged each other. Guard us against any resentment, jealousy, antagonism, or bitterness that could creep into our relationship. Give us the courage, grace, and compassion to forgive one another just as You have forgiven us. Amen.