

# Quietly into the Presence of God

**An Acts prayer booklet**

**Adore the God Who is Majestic**

**Confess to the God Who Forgives**

**Thank the God Who is Generous**

**Ask the God Who Answers**

**Commit the God who Loves You**

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## **Introduction**

This prayer booklet is designed to aid us in our time of prayer. This is not for our quick prayers which may last only a few seconds, but concentrated prayer times which may last for a half hour or an hour or more.

The general outline of prayer follows the ACTS sequence plus an addition, with a time of adoration of the God who is majestic, followed by a period of confessing to the God who forgives, then a time of thanking the God who is generous, and a time of supplication or asking the God who answers, and finishing with a time of commitment to the God who loves you. This model covers the major areas of our conversation with God, but there are other things we need to pray about too.

One caution is to not get caught up in trying to concentrate too much on the model. It is there as an aid to coming to God. We may think about the structure of the prayer time and forget the one we are talking to and thinking about. Also, do not try to get through the whole list of things to thank God for or adore God for. Take your time and think about your requests for that day. When I pray for, or thank God for my children, I think of each one individually, and pray for his or her needs on that day. These lists are an aid for us to come to God.

The first thing we do when we start to pray is come into the presence of God with our whole being. We greet God, recognize who he is, and dedicate the time we have to being with our Lord. There will be distractions, but try to concentrate on what you are doing with God. Think about what you are doing as you pray. Listen to what he has to say to you through the song and scripture, and through what he communicates to you directly while you are praying. If you are distracted for a time, come back into the presence of God and dwell in the joy found only there.

Come to the Lord. Revel in your time with the God who created the universe and wants to commune with you.

Cycle One

**ADORE**

**THE GOD**

**WHO IS**

**MAJESTIC**

**Adore the God who is majestic.**

“Father, I Adore You” by Terrye Coelho.

Father, I adore you, I lay my life before you, O How I love you.

Jesus, I adore you, I lay my life before you, O How I love you.

Spirit, I adore you, I lay my life before you, O How I love you.

**Scripture Reading from Psalm 8.**

<sup>PS 8:1</sup> O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

<sup>PS 8:2</sup> From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

<sup>PS 8:3</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

<sup>PS 8:4</sup> what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?

<sup>PS 8:5</sup> You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.

<sup>PS 8:6</sup> You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet:

<sup>PS 8:7</sup> all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field,

<sup>PS 8:8</sup> the birds of the air,

and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

<sup>PS 8:9</sup> O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Adore the God who is Majestic

For being the Creator  
For being the Almighty God  
For being the Loving God, loving us with everlasting love  
For being the God of justice  
For being the faithful God  
For being our Refuge  
For being Patient with us  
For being our Savior  
For being the Creator of all things beautiful  
For being absolutely holy  
For being personal and wanting personal relationship with us  
For being the generous God  
For being our Good Shepherd  
For healing us in body and soul  
For being the God of all comforts  
For being the God of miracles  
For being the God who forgives  
For being constantly faithful  
For being the God of light  
For being the God of God, King of kings and Lord of Lords  
For giving joy day after day  
For giving us your word as a revelation of who you are

**Confess**

**To the**

**God who**

**Forgives**

## **Confess to the God who Forgives**

“Search me. O God’ by Edwin Orr  
Search me, O God, and know my heart today,  
Try me, O savior, and know my thoughts, I pray.  
See if there be some wicked way in me;  
Cleans me from every sin and make me free.

I praise thee, Lord, for cleansing me from sin;  
Fulfill thy word and make me pure within.  
Fill me with fire where once I burned with shame;  
Grant my desire to magnify thy name.”

### **Scripture reading from Psalm 51**

PS 51:1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;  
according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.  
PS 51:2 Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.  
PS 51:3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before  
me.  
PS 51:4 Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in  
your sight,  
so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when  
you judge.  
PS 51:5 Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother  
conceived me.  
PS 51:6 Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me  
wisdom in the inmost place.  
PS 51:7 Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I  
will be whiter than snow.

## **Confess to the God who Forgives**

Confess the failure to flee from temptation  
Confess the failure to control what we look at  
Confess the failure to depend on God’s strength in fighting sin  
Confess the sin of making an idol of money  
Confess the sin of sexual lust  
Confess the sin of gossip  
Confess the sin of hatred  
Confess the sin of selfishness and self-centeredness  
Confess the sin of pride  
Confess the sin of \_\_\_\_\_.  
Confess the sin of greed  
Confess the sin of envy  
Confess the sin of discord and jealousy  
Confess the sin of drunkenness  
Confess the sin of all kinds of impurity  
Confess the sin of any kind of idolatry or witchcraft  
Confess the sin of not trusting you  
Confess to the sin of wronging someone I don’t know about

**THANK**

**THE GOD**

**WHO IS**

**GENEROUS**

**Thank the God who is Generous**

“How can I say thanks” by Andrae Crouch  
How can I say thanks for the things you have done for me?  
Things so undeserved, Yet you gave to prove your love for me.  
The voices of a million angels could not express my gratitude.  
All that I am, and ever hope to be; I owe it all to thee.

To God be the glory, To God be the glory,  
To God be the glory for the things He has done.  
With his blood He has saved me; With his power He has  
raised me;  
To God be the glory for the things He has done.

Just let me live my life; Let it be pleasing, Lord, to thee.  
And if I gain any praise, let it go to Calvary.  
With His blood He has saved me; With His power He has  
raised me;  
To God be the glory for the things He has done.

**Scripture Reading from Psalm 100. 1- 5**

PS 100:1 Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

PS 100:2 Worship the LORD with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.

PS 100:3 Know that the LORD is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;

we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

PS 100:4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving

and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

PS 100:5 For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Thank the God who is Generous

Thank God for:

For salvation in Christ  
For purpose in life  
For my children  
For a husband or wife who is loving and faithful  
For my parents  
For my grandparents  
For Christian friends  
For work where we earn a living and share our gifts  
For the beauty of the created world  
For the joy of giving love  
For the joy of receiving love  
For opportunities to minister for you  
For times of struggle with your comfort  
For time of worship and praise  
For times of peaceful contemplation  
For your scriptures – the words of your mouth  
For the missionaries who serve you in foreign countries  
For Sunday school teachers who share so much  
For the encouragement given by those who love us  
For ministers who serve congregations great and small  
For songs written for us to use to praise and worship you  
For music of all kinds that lifts our spirits  
For government officials who care for the needs of our nation  
For the abilities to hear, see, talk, smell, and touch  
For memories of events long past that fill our hearts  
For the hope we have for the future in Christ  
For health we have in body and spirit  
For the peace of heart you have given to me

**Ask**

**The God**

**Who**

**Answers**

### Ask the God who Answers

“What a friend we have in Jesus” by Joseph Scriven.

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to  
bear!

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer.  
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry, Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trial and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged, Take it to the Lord in  
prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows  
share?

Jesus knows our every weakness, Take it to the Lord in  
prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of  
care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge, Take it to the Lord in  
prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake Thee? Take it to the Lord in  
prayer;

In his arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou will find a solace  
there.

### **Scripture reading from Matthew 7.7 – 8.**

<sup>MT 7:7</sup> "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find;  
knock and the door will be opened to you.

<sup>8</sup> For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him  
who knocks, the door will be opened.

### **Ask the God who Answers**

For health and healing of body and spirit  
For help for husband or wife  
For help for your children  
For help for parents and grandparents  
For help for Christians friends  
For blessings on ministers who faithfully serve God  
For encouragement for Sunday school teachers who prepare and  
teach  
For strength for missionaries who preach and teach in foreign  
countries  
For guidance for all church leaders  
For opportunities to share the gospel with those who need to hear  
For protection from the attacks from the evil one  
For a hunger for fellowship with God  
For the daily filling with the Holy Spirit  
For help for doctors and nurses who minister to us  
For hearts that are open to sharing money and time for those who  
are in need.  
For Christian tasks that push us out of our comfort zones  
For grieving friends

**Commit**  
**To The God**  
**Who**  
**Loves You.**

Commit to the God who loves you

“Have Thine own way” by Adeline Pollard

Have your own way, Lord! Have your own way!  
You are the Potter, I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me after your will,  
While I am waiting yielded and still.

Have your own way, Lord! Have your own way!  
Search me and try me, Master, today!  
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,  
As in your presence humbly I bow.

Have your own way, Lord! Have your own way!  
Hold over my being absolute sway!  
Fill with your Spirit till all shall see  
Christ only, always living in me.

Scripture Reading

Joshua 22.5

But be very careful to keep the commandment and  
the law that Moses the servant of the LORD gave you:  
to love the Lord your God,  
to walk in all his ways,  
to obey his commands,  
to hold fast to him  
and to serve him with all your heart and all your soul."

Commit to the God who loves you.

Give to God your heart and love  
Give to God your mind and intellect  
Give to God your hands for service  
Give to God your feet to go for him  
Give to God your ears to listen to him and others  
Give to God your talents and abilities  
Give to God your imagination  
Give to God your voice as you praise and tell about him  
Give to God your prayers  
Give to God your money for his service  
Give to God your ambitions  
Give to God your minutes, hours, and years – your time  
Give to God your undivided commitment  
Give to God your love for him and his people  
Give to God your future and hopes  
Give to God your temptations and worries  
Give to God your fears and terrors  
Give to God your writing and speaking abilities  
Give to God your needs and wants  
Give to God your trophies and awards  
Give to God your husband or wife and your children  
Give to God the leadership of your life  
Give to God your whole being

Cycle Two

**ADORE**

**THE GOD**

**WHO IS**

**MAJESTIC**

## Adore the God who is Majestic

“Fairest Lord Jesus” by Joseph A. Seiss

Fairest Lord Jesus! Ruler of all nature! O thou of God and man the son! Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul’s glory, joy and crown.

Fairer are the meadows, Fairer still the woodlands,  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moon light, And all the twinkling starry host: Jesus is shines brighter, Jesus shines purer Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise adoration  
Now and forever more be thine.

### **Scripture reading from Revelation 5**

<sup>REV 5:11</sup> Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. <sup>12</sup> In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

<sup>REV 5:13</sup> Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"

<sup>REV 5:14</sup> The four living creatures said, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.

## Adore the God who is Majestic

For being the Creator  
For being the Almighty God  
For being the Loving God, loving us with everlasting love  
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For being the faithful God  
For being our Refuge  
For being Patient with us  
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For being the Creator of all things beautiful  
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For giving joy day after day  
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# Confess

  

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# Forgives

Confess to the God who Forgives

“Amazing Grace” by John Newton

Amazing grace – how sweet the sound – that save a wretch like me!

I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fear relieved.

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Thru many dangers, toils and snares I have already come;  
‘Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we’ve been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,

We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than when we’d first begun.

## Scripture reading from Psalm 32.

<sup>PS 32:1</sup> Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

<sup>PS 32:2</sup> Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.

<sup>PS 32:3</sup> When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

<sup>PS 32:4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;

my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.

<sup>PS 32:5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD"--and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

**Confess to the God who Forgives**

Confess the failure to flee from temptation  
Confess the failure to control what we look at  
Confess the failure to depend on God's strength in fighting sin  
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Confess the sin of sexual lust  
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Confess the sin of not trusting you  
Confess to the sin of wronging someone I don't know about

**THANK**

**THE GOD**

**WHO IS**

**GENEROUS**

## Thank the God who is Generous

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“Thanks to God” by August Ludvig Storm  
Thanks, O God, for boundless mercy, from thy gracious  
thrown;  
Thanks for every need provided from the fullness of thy love;  
Thanks for the daily toil and labor and for rest when  
shadows fall;  
Thanks for the love of friends and neighbors and thy  
goodness to us.

Thanks for the thorns as well as roses; thanks for weakness and  
health.

Thanks for clouds as well as sunshine, for poverty and for  
wealth.

Thanks for pain as well as pleasure – all thou sendest day by  
day. And thy Word, our dearest treasure, shedding light upon our  
way.

Thanks, O God, for our homes, where we share our daily bread.

Thanks for hours of sweet communion, when our souls are fed.

Thanks grace in times of sorrow and joy and peace in thee.

Thanks for hope today, tomorrow, and for all eternity.

### Scripture Reading from Psalm 107

PS 107:1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures  
forever.

PS 107:2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say this--those he redeemed  
from the hand of the foe,

PS 107:8 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love  
and his wonderful deeds for men, PS 107:9 for he satisfies the  
thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

PS 107:31 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love  
and his wonderful deeds for men.

PS 107:32 Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people  
and praise him in the council of the elders.

Thank God for:  
For salvation in Christ  
For purpose in life  
For my children  
For a husband or wife who is loving and faithful  
For my parents  
For my grandparents  
For Christian friends  
For work where we earn a living and share our gifts  
For the beauty of the created world  
For the joy of giving love  
For the joy of receiving love  
For opportunities to minister for you  
For times of struggle with your comfort  
For time of worship and praise  
For times of peaceful contemplation  
For your scriptures – the words of your mouth  
For the missionaries who serve you in foreign countries  
For Sunday school teachers who share so much  
For the encouragement given by those who love us  
For ministers who serve congregations great and small  
For songs written for us to use to praise and worship you  
For music of all kinds that lifts our spirits  
For government officials who care for the needs of our nation  
For the abilities to hear, see, talk, smell, and touch  
For memories of events long past that fill our hearts  
For the hope we have for the future in Christ  
For health we have in body and spirit  
For the peace of heart you have given to me

**Ask**

**The God**

**Who**

**Answers**

**Ask the God who Answers**

“Sweet Hour of Prayer” by William Walford

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
That calls me from a world of care,  
And bids me at my Father’s throne  
Make all my wants and wishes know.  
In seasons of distress and grief  
My soul has often found relief.  
And oft escaped the tempter’s snare  
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
Thy wings shall all my petitions bear  
To him whose truth and faithfulness  
Engage the waiting soul to bless:  
And since He bids me seek His face,  
Believe His words, and trust His grace,  
I’ll cast on him my every care,  
And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

**Scripture Reading from Philippians 4.4 – 7.**

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

<sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.

<sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

<sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

### **Ask the God who Answers**

For health and healing of body and spirit  
For help for husband or wife  
For help for your children  
For help for parents and grandparents  
For help for Christians friends  
For blessings on ministers who faithfully serve God  
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For protection from the attacks from the evil one  
For a hunger for fellowship with God  
For the daily filling with the Holy Spirit  
For help for doctors and nurses who minister to us  
For hearts that are open to sharing money and time for those who are in need.  
For Christian tasks that push us out of our comfort zones  
For help for grieving friends

# **Commit**

# **To The God**

# **Who**

# **Loves You.**

Commit to the God who loves you

“Who is on the Lord’s Side? By Frances R. Havergal

Who is on the Lord’s side? Who will serve the King?

Who will be His helpers, other lives to bring.

Who will leave the world’s side? Who will face the foe?

Who is on the Lord’s side? Who for Him will go?

By Thy call of mercy, by Thy grace divine,

We are on the lord’s side, Savior, we are Thine.

Jesus, you have bought us, not with gold or gem,

But with Thine own life-blood, for Thy diadem.

With Thy blessing filling each who comes to Thee.

You have made us willing, You have made us free..

By Thy grand redemption, by Thy grace divine,

We are on the Lord’s side, Savior, we are Thine.

Fierce may be the conflict, strong may be the foe,

But the King’s own army none can overthrow.

Round His standard gathered, victory is sure.

For His truth unchanging make the triumph sure.

Joyfully enlisting by Thy grace divine,

We are on the Lord’s side, Savior, we are thine.

Scripture Reading – Philippians 1.20 - 24

<sup>20</sup> I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup> For me to live is Christ and to die is gain.

<sup>22</sup> If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know!

<sup>23</sup> I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; <sup>24</sup> but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body.

Commit to the God who loves you.

Give to God your heart and love

Give to God your mind and intellect

Give to God your hands for service

Give to God your feet to go for him

Give to God your ears to listen to him and others

Give to God your talents and abilities

Give to God your imagination

Give to God your voice as you praise and tell about him

Give to God your prayers

Give to God your money for his service

Give to God your ambitions

Give to God your minutes, hours, and years – your time

Give to God your undivided commitment

Give to God your love for him and his people

Give to God your future and hopes

Give to God your temptations and worries

Give to God your fears and terrors

Give to God your writing and speaking abilities

Give to God your needs and wants

Give to God your trophies and awards

Give to God your husband or wife and your children

Give to God the leadership of your life

Give to God your whole being

Cycle Three

**ADORE**

**THE GOD**

**WHO IS**

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**Adore the God who is Majestic**

“Holy, Holy, Holy” by Reginald Heber  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our songs shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea:  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee.  
Which wert and art and ever more shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

**Scripture reading from Ephesians 1**

<sup>EPH 1:3</sup> Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. <sup>4</sup> For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love <sup>5</sup> he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will-- <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. <sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. <sup>9</sup> And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, <sup>10</sup> to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment--to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.

Adore the God who is Majestic

For being the Creator  
For being the Almighty God  
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For being the generous God  
For being our Good Shepherd  
For healing us in body and soul  
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For being the God of light  
For being the God of God, King of kings and Lord of Lords  
For giving joy day after day  
For giving us your word as a revelation of who you are

**Confess**

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**Forgives**

## Confess to the God who Forgives

“Whiter than Snow” by James Nicholson

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole; I want you forever to live  
in my soul.

Break down every idol, cast out every foe – Now wash me and I  
shall be whiter than snow

*Chorus:* Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow – Now wash me  
and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, for this I most humbly entreat; I wait, blessed Lord, at  
Your crucified feet; By faith, for my cleansing I see Your blood  
flow – Now wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, before You I patiently wait; Come now and within me  
a new heart create; To those who have sought You,  
You never said “No” – Now wash me and I shall be whiter than  
snow.

### Scripture reading from Romans 6.

RO 6:1 What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace  
may increase? <sup>2</sup> By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in  
it any longer? <sup>3</sup> Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized  
into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were therefore  
buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as  
Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we  
too may live a new life.

RO 6:5 If we have been united with him like this in his death, we  
will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. <sup>6</sup> For we  
know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of  
sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to  
sin-- <sup>7</sup> because anyone who has died has been freed from sin.

## Confess to the God who Forgives

Confess the failure to flee from temptation  
Confess the failure to control what we look at  
Confess the failure to depend on God's strength in fighting sin  
Confess the sin of making an idol of money  
Confess the sin of sexual lust  
Confess the sin of gossip  
Confess the sin of hatred  
Confess the sin of selfishness and self-centeredness  
Confess the sin of pride  
Confess the sin of \_\_\_\_\_.  
Confess the sin of greed  
Confess the sin of envy  
Confess the sin of discord and jealousy  
Confess the sin of drunkenness  
Confess the sin of all kinds of impurity  
Confess the sin of any kind of idolatry or witchcraft  
Confess the sin of not trusting you  
Confess to the sin of wronging someone I don't know about

**THANK**

**THE GOD**

**WHO IS**

**GENEROUS**

**Thank the God who is Generous**

“Thank you, Lord” by Seth Sykes

Thank you, Lord, for saving my soul.  
Thank you, Lord, for making me whole.  
Thank you, Lord for giving to me  
Thy great salvation so rich and free.

Thank you, Lord, for forgiving my sin,  
Thank you, Lord for beginning again.  
Thank you, Lord, for taking my load  
Thy great salvation so rich and good.

Thank you, Lord, for joy and peace,  
Thank you, Lord, for struggles to cease.  
Thank you, Lord, for filling my life  
Thy great salvation so free from strife.

**Scripture reading from Revelation 4**

REV 4:9 Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever,<sup>10</sup> the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne, and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say:

REV 4:11 "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."

Thank the God who is Generous

Thank God for:

For salvation in Christ  
For purpose in life  
For my children  
For a husband or wife who is loving and faithful  
For my parents  
For my grandparents  
For Christian friends  
For work where we earn a living and share our gifts  
For the beauty of the created world  
For the joy of giving love  
For the joy of receiving love  
For opportunities to minister for you  
For times of struggle with your comfort  
For time of worship and praise  
For times of peaceful contemplation  
For your scriptures – the words of your mouth  
For the missionaries who serve you in foreign countries  
For Sunday school teachers who share so much  
For the encouragement given by those who love us  
For ministers who serve congregations great and small  
For songs written for us to use to praise and worship you  
For music of all kinds that lifts our spirits  
For government officials who care for the needs of our nation  
For the abilities to hear, see, talk, smell, and touch  
For memories of events long past that fill our hearts  
For the hope we have for the future in Christ  
For health we have in body and spirit  
For the peace of heart you have given in me

**Ask**

**The God**

**Who**

**Answers**

### Ask the God who Answers

“What a friend we have in Jesus” by Joseph Scriven.

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to  
bear!

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer.  
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry, Everything to God in prayer.

Have we trial and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged, Take it to the Lord in  
prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows  
share?

Jesus knows our every weakness, Take it to the Lord in  
prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of  
care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge, Take it to the Lord in  
prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake Thee? Take it to the Lord in  
prayer;

In his arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou will find a solace  
there.

### **Scripture reading from Matthew 7.7 – 8.**

<sup>MT 7:7</sup> "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find;  
knock and the door will be opened to you.

<sup>8</sup> For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him  
who knocks, the door will be opened.

### **Ask the God who Answers**

For health and healing of body and spirit  
For help for husband or wife  
For help for your children  
For help for parents and grandparents  
For help for Christians friends  
For blessings on ministers who faithfully serve God  
For encouragement for Sunday school teachers who prepare and  
teach  
For strength for missionaries who preach and teach in foreign  
countries  
For guidance for all church leaders  
For opportunities to share the gospel with those who need to hear  
For protection from the attacks from the evil one  
For a hunger for fellowship with God  
For the daily filling with the Holy Spirit  
For help for doctors and nurses who minister to us  
For hearts that are open to sharing money and time for those who  
are in need.  
For Christian tasks that push us out of our comfort zones

**Commit**  
**To The God**  
**Who**  
**Loves You.**

**Commit to the God who Loves you**

“More like the Master” by Charles H. Gilbert

More like the Master I would be, More of His meekness, more  
humility; more zeal to labor, more courage to be true,  
More consecration for work He bids me do.

Chorus: Take Thou my heart, I would be Thine alone;  
Take Thou my heart and make it all Thine own.  
Purge me from sin, O Lord, I now implore,  
Wash me and keep me Thine forever more.

More like the Master is my daily prayer, more strength to carry  
crosses I must bear; More earnest effort to bring His kingdom in,  
More of His Spirit, the wanderer to win.

Chorus: Take Thou my heart, I would be Thine alone;  
Take Thou my heart and make it all Thine own.  
Purge me from sin, O Lord, I now implore,  
Wash me and keep me Thine forever more.

More like the Master I would live and grow, more of His love  
To others I would show; More self-denial, like His in Galilee,  
More like the Master I long to ever be.

Chorus: Take Thou my heart, I would be Thine alone;  
Take Thou my heart and make it all Thine own.  
Purge me from sin, O Lord, I now implore,  
Wash me and keep me Thine forever more.

Scripture Reading – Luke 6.40

A student is not above his teacher, but everyone who is fully  
trained will be like his teacher.

Commit to the God who loves you.

Give to God your heart and love  
Give to God your mind and intellect  
Give to God your hands for service  
Give to God your feet to go for him  
Give to God your ears to listen to him and others  
Give to God your talents and abilities  
Give to God your imagination  
Give to God your voice as you praise and tell about him  
Give to God your prayers  
Give to God your money for his service  
Give to God your ambitions  
Give to God your minutes, hours, and years – your time  
Give to God your undivided commitment  
Give to God your love for him and his people  
Give to God your future and hopes  
Give to God your temptations and worries  
Give to God your fears and terrors  
Give to God your writing and speaking abilities  
Give to God your needs and wants  
Give to God your trophies and awards  
Give to God your husband or wife and your children  
Give to God the leadership of your life  
Give to God your whole being