
Incredibly Great Power

Father, I ask You, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give us wisdom to see clearly and really understand who Christ is and all that He has done for us. May our hearts be flooded with light so that we can see something of the future You have called us to share. May we realize that You have been made rich because we who are Christ's have been given to You!

I pray that we will begin to understand how incredibly great Your power is to help those of us who believe You. It is that same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead and seated Him in the place of honor at Your right hand in heaven, far, far above any other king or ruler or dictator or leader. (Ephesians 1:17-21, TLB)

Peaceful Trust

Father, help each of us to be full of Your joy, to rejoice in You always! May we be seen as unselfish and considerate in every way, and be mindful that Jesus is coming soon.

Give us faith not to worry about anything. Instead, help us to pray about everything, telling You our needs, and remembering to thank You for Your answers. If we will only let go of worry and trust You, we will experience Your peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand. Your peace will keep our thoughts and hearts at rest in trusting You.

Enable us to fix our thoughts on what is true and good and right. Guide us to think about things that are pure and lovely. May we dwell on the fine, good things in others. Remind us of all the things we can praise You for and be glad about. Help us to put into practice everything we learn from Your Word. May You who are the God of peace be with us. (Philippians 4:4-9, TLB)

Continue with personal prayer....

Strong in Knowing Christ

Father, this is what I ask of You for each of us: That we will be encouraged and knit together with others in the body of Christ by strong ties of love. May we have the rich experience of knowing Christ with certainty and clear understanding.

Help us to be mindful of Your secret, now at last made known: *Christ Himself*. Enable us to turn to Him, for in Him are hidden all the mighty untapped treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Just as we trusted Christ to save us, may we trust Him, too, for help with each day's problems. May we live in vital union with Him, and may our roots grow down into Christ and draw up nourishment from Him. As we grow in the Lord, let us become strong and vigorous in the truth we are being taught. May our lives overflow with joy and thanksgiving for all You have done.

Don't let others spoil our faith and joy with their worldly philosophies, their wrong and shallow thoughts built on men's ideas. Instead, let us stand on what Christ has said. (Colossians 2:2-3, 6-8, TLB)

Living as Light

Father, help us to be careful to do the good things that result from being saved. May we obey You with deep reverence and shrink back from all that might displease You. May we be confident that You are at work within us, helping us to desire to obey You, and then strengthening us do what You want.

In everything we do, keep us from complaining and arguing, so that no one can speak a word of blame against us. May we live beyond reproach as Your children in this dark world. Shine out for us like a beacon light, holding out to us the Word of Life. (Philippians 2:12-16, TLB)

Continue with personal prayer....

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Read the prayers just as they appear:

“Father, help us to be strong in You and in Your mighty power....” (Ephesians 6:10)

Use the prayers as an outline. Read only a sentence or two, just enough to present a complete thought. Then add your own personal prayer:

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You might add something like—“*Help us to know how powerful You are!*”

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Marvelous Love

Father, when I think of the wisdom and scope of Your plan, I come before You to ask...that out of Your glorious, unlimited resources You will give each of us the mighty inner strengthening of Your Holy Spirit.

I pray that Christ will be more and more at home in our hearts, living within us as we increasingly trust in You. May our roots go down deep into the soil of Your marvelous love. May we be able to feel and understand, as all Your children should, how long, how wide, how deep and how high Your love really is. Help us to experience Your love for ourselves, though it is so great that we will never see the end of it or fully know or understand it. May we be filled with Your life and power.

I give glory to You who by Your mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of—infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts or hopes. May You be given glory forever and ever! (Ephesians 3:14-21, TLB)

Earnest in Our Prayers

Father, help us never to be weary in prayer. May we keep at it and watch for Your answers, and remember to be thankful when they come.

Encourage us to pray for others, and give us many chances to share the Good News of Christ. May we be bold enough to tell it freely and fully, and make it plain. Help us to be wise with others and may our conversation be gracious, for then we will have the right answer for everyone.

Enable us to always pray earnestly, asking You to make us strong and perfect. Help us to know Your will in everything we do. May we work hard for others in our prayers. (Colossians 4:2-6, 12-13, TLB)

Continue with personal prayer....

Overflowing with Love

Father, my prayers for each of us are full of praise to You! When I pray, my heart is full of joy. I am sure that You who began the good work within us will keep right on helping us grow in Your grace until Your task within us is finally finished.

My prayer for each of us is that we will overflow more and more with love for others, and at the same time keep on growing in spiritual knowledge and insight. Help us always to see clearly the difference between right and wrong. Enable us to keep inwardly clean so that no one will be able to criticize us.

May we always do those good, kind things which show that we are Your children, for this will bring much praise and glory to You. (Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11, TLB)

Becoming More Christ-Like

Father, help us to live the kind of lives that are continually learning more and more of what is right. May we seek constantly to be more and more like Christ who created this new life within us.

Since we have been chosen by You who have given us this new kind of life, and because of Your deep love and concern for us, help us to practice tenderhearted mercy and kindness to others.

Enable us to be gentle and ready to forgive, to never hold grudges—to remember that because You forgave us, we must forgive others. Most of all, let love guide our lives. Let the peace which comes from Christ be always present in our hearts and lives. (Colossians 3:10, 12a, 13-15, TLB)

Continue with personal prayer....

Rescued from Darkness

Father, I ask You to make us wise about spiritual things. May the way we live always please and honor You. May we do good, kind things for others, while all the time learning to know You better and better.

I pray, too, that we will be filled with Your mighty, glorious strength so that we can keep going no matter what happens—always full of Your joy. May we always be thankful to You, for You have made us fit to share all the wonderful things that belong to those who live in the kingdom of light.

Thank You for rescuing us out of the darkness of Satan's kingdom and bringing us into the kingdom of Your Son, who bought our freedom with His blood and forgave us all our sins. (Colossians 1:9-14, TLB)

Put on the Full Armor

Father, help us to be strong in You and in Your mighty power. May we put on Your full armor, so that we can take our stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, authorities, and powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil.

Therefore, help us to put on Your full armor, so that we may be able to stand our ground. May we stand firm with the belt of truth buckled around our waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and our feet fit with the gospel of peace.

Enable us to take up the shield of faith to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. May we put on the helmet of salvation and use the sword of the Spirit, Your Word. Teach us to pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers. Keep us alert and persistent in praying for all Christians everywhere. (Ephesians 6:10-18, NIV)

Continue with personal prayer....