

Prayer Calendar

February 2019

New Beginnings

Every morning brings a time of new beginnings – to begin again in the spiritual life. It is never too late to start over and begin again in our relationship with God, who loves us. Jesus spoke of the narrow way, which is the way of love: loving God and loving one another. Look to scripture for guidance and nurture as we begin again, together as disciples of Christ, remembering instruction and guidance through scripture.

Friday, February 1

John 14:15: (Jesus said) If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

~ Lord Jesus, You sum up your commandments: to love one another as you love us. Today, help me love those who are difficult to love and to love myself without judgment.

Saturday, February 2

Isaiah 26:4: Trust in the LORD forever, for in the Lord God you have an everlasting rock.

~ Loving Lord, it is hard for me to trust sometimes – I am not sure why it is hard for me to let go and give control to you. Your promises are true. Help me to trust today.

Sunday, February 3

John 14: 17b: You know him, because he lives with you and will be with you.

~ Lord, sometimes I don't understand what you are saying. Clear my head so that I might understand with my mind and respond with my heart and know with my soul and act in your strength.

Monday, February 4

John 14:18: (Jesus said) I won't leave you as orphans. I will come to you.

~ Lord Jesus, your words are a comfort – to know that you are with us always through the Holy Spirit, that we are not alone. Help me remember that you are always with me. Let me see your face today in the people I meet.

Tuesday, February 5

Philippians 4:13: I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

~ Gracious God, you promise I can do even the hard; the impossible things when I depend on you for my strength. Thank you. Help me today: _____

Wednesday, February 6

Psalm 23:4: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me.

~ Holy God, I trust in you to walk with me every day. Today I hold fast to your hand.

Thursday, February 7

I Peter 5:7: Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

~ Lord, give me your calmness even in my anxious hours.

Friday, February 8

Psalm 55:22: Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you: he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

~ Lord Jesus, I do not have to carry my burdens alone. You give me prayer, your presence, friends and companions to share my heavy load. Always you are with me – carrying me in your arms.

Saturday, February 9

Matthew 7:12: “In everything do to others as you would have them do to you, for this is the law and the prophets.”

~ Loving Jesus, you give us this rule of life to treat others, as we want to be treated. Help me remember when I am irritable or angry to treat other people with kindness and grace.

Sunday, February 10

Matthew 7:24: “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock.”

~ Lord God, I can hear your word through scripture, but often I fail to act upon these words. Help me and show me how to live with wisdom and truth.

Monday, February 11

Matthew 9:9: ...and he said to him, “Follow me.”

~ Dear Jesus, every day you call us to follow you. Every day, we have a choice, to follow you or go on our own path. Help us today to stop what we are doing and to follow you.

Tuesday, February 12

Galatians 5:22-23: ...the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.

~ Gracious Spirit, fill me with your power so that your fruit may be evidenced in my life today as I follow you.

Wednesday, February 13

I John 4:8-9 Who ever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.

~ Loving God, help me really live these words of hope and healing and help us show your love to everyone as shown by Jesus the Christ.

Thursday, February 14

I Corinthians 13:13: Now faith, hope and love remain – these three things – and the greatest of these is love.

~ Gracious God, the love you give is everlasting. Thank you for loving me, for giving me the ability to love and be loved in return. Today I lift up these that I love:

Friday, February 15

James 4:17: Anyone, then, who knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, commits sin.

~ Loving God, we know what is right, but sometimes to do the right thing is hard. Help us and show us the way to live in harmony with you – even if it is hard.

Saturday, February 16

Psalm 51: 10: Create in me a clean heart, O God and put a new and right spirit within me.

~ Living God, I confess my sins and know that you will forgive my sins and put a right spirit within me. I confess: _____
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Sunday, February 17

Isaiah 41:10: . . . do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God.

~ Holy God, you give us a spirit of confidence, not fear. Remove our fears and replace them with the assurance and confidence that you are with us; loving us, providing for our needs.

These are my fears today: _____.

Monday, February 18

Isaiah 41: 10: "I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand."

~ God of Grace, today I need the strength and energy that comes from your grace and your presence. Hold me up – these things are holding me down.
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Tuesday, February 19

Romans 8: 26: In the same way, the Spirit comes to help our weakness.

~ Holy Spirit, I want to believe that I am not weak, but strong and in control of everything all the time. Yet, this is not so. I know you are willing to help me, if I allow it. I name those areas in which I need your strength: _____.

Wednesday, February 20

Romans 8: 26: We don't know what we should pray.

~ Loving God, you call us to pray, but sometimes I have no words, no thoughts, no idea of what to say. I trust that you will teach me to pray. Help me be still in mind and heart and listen to you.

Thursday, February 21

Romans 8:26: ... but the Spirit itself pleads our case with unexpressed groans.

~ Holy Spirit, I will be still and silent and allow you to pray for me. Thank you for knowing and loving me.

Friday, February 22

Jeremiah 1:19: They will fight against you; but they shall not prevail against you, for I am with you, says the LORD, to deliver you.

~ Gracious Lord, I am grateful that you are with me in all circumstances and we are not alone.

Saturday, February 23

Romans 8:27: ... knows how the Spirit thinks, because it pleads for the saints, consistent with God's will.

~ Spirit of God, you plead on my behalf? Truly you are the Advocate and you lead me in the way of God's will and desire.

Sunday, February 24

Romans 8: 28: We know that God works all things together for good for the ones who love God, for those who are called according to his purpose.

~ Loving God, sometimes I can't see the good working in difficult situations. Help me remember that you will ultimately bring good out of the pain in my life.

Monday, February 25

Matthew 6:14-15: For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you ...

~ Merciful God, thank you for your forgiveness and grace. Give me the power to really forgive others as you have forgiven me. Today I forgive: _____

Tuesday, February 26

1 Corinthians 13:1: If I speak in tongues of human beings and of angels but I don't have love, I'm a clanging gong or a clashing cymbal.

~ Holy God, the greatest spiritual gift that you give is love. Today I will speak love to each person I meet.

Wednesday, February 27

Isaiah 40:30-31: Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

~ Holy God, thank you for your continual strength. I am grateful today for:

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Thursday, February 28

Ruth 1:16: ...where you go I will go, where you lodge I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God.

~ Loving God, you send us faithful friends that give us support, encouragement and guidance. Thank you for these dear ones in our lives. Today I pray for:

This prayer calendar is designed to aid you in your daily life of prayer.

Read the scripture for the day over and over, out loud if possible. As you read, listen with an “ear of the heart” to a word or phrase that strikes you.

Reflect on that word or phrase asking yourself the question: “What is God saying to me through this word or phrase at this time?” Spend time in silence with this scripture mulling it over in your mind and heart.

Allow God to speak to you in the silence. Offer a prayer out of your reflection.

Thank God for whatever you received in the silence of your prayer and take that with you through your day.