

## Prayer Books

Berndt, Jodie: *Praying the Scriptures for Your \_\_\_\_\_* (children, teenager, adult children)

Boa, Kenneth: *Face to Face-Praying the Scripture for Spiritual Growth*

Burke, Sally and Claypool de Neve, Cyndie: *Unshaken-experience the power and peace of a life of prayer.*

Christenson, Evelyn: *What Happens with Women Pray*

DeVries, John: *Why Pray? 40 days-from words to relationship*

Madison, Carol: *Prayer that's Caught and Taught-mentoring the next generation*

Miller, Paul E.: *A Praying Life*

Moore, Beth: *Praying God's Word-breaking free from spiritual strongholds*

Omartian, Stormie: *Power of a Praying \_\_\_\_\_* (woman, wife, husband, parent, adult children, grandparent)

Omartian, Stormie: *Praying God's Will for Your Life-a prayerful walk to spiritual well-being*

Spangler, Ann: *Praying the Names of God*

Tirabassi, Becky: *Let Prayer Change your Life*

Walsh, Sheila: *Praying Women*

Whitney, Donald S: *Praying the Bible*

## Prayer Opportunities:

\*You can ask a few friends to join you in regular prayer time over your marriage, family, and self.

\*You could ask someone older than you to join you in praying over your marriage, family, and self on a regular basis.

\*You could choose a book on Prayer from the list above and ask others to read and then discuss and have a time of prayer.

\*Watch for events through the Women's Ministry on prayer. If you are not getting emails from Women's Ministry and want to get signed up email [DianaW@valley.church](mailto:DianaW@valley.church).

\*Mentor Prayer Groups-*Prayer That's Caught and Taught* by Carol Madison

Starting, Sept 15, 6:15-7:45 a.m. led by Becky Cox via zoom

Starting, Sept. 21, 1-2:30 p.m. led by Rebecca Wolford via zoom

Email [sherrianfinson@gmail.com](mailto:sherrianfinson@gmail.com) to get signed up.

\*Moms in Prayer-where moms gather to pray for their children usually specific to the school they attend. Watch for Spanish MIP group coming soon at Valley Church!

[MomsInPrayer.org](http://MomsInPrayer.org), select [Get Involved](#), select [Join a Group](#) or [Start a Group](#)

\*Thursdays at Noon-12:30 join via zoom for a ½ hour of prayer time.

<https://zoom.us/j/581333914>

\*Wednesday Night Prayer for church and ministries. Email [sherrianfinson@gmail.com](mailto:sherrianfinson@gmail.com) to confirm location. Currently meeting North Point patio.

\*Your own family devotions..purchase *Why Pray? 40 day from words to relationship* By John DeVries for \$5 cash or check to Valley Church. Grab from Debi Lydic on Sunday morning. Limited number available.

## Scripture

ARE YOU WEARY?

### Isaiah 40:26-31

Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens:

Who created all these?

He who brings out the starry host one by one

and calls forth each of them by name.

Because of his great power and mighty strength,  
not one of them is missing.

**27**

Why do you complain, Jacob?

Why do you say, Israel,

“My way is hidden from the Lord;

my cause is disregarded by my God”?

**28**

Do you not know?

Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God,

the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary,

and his understanding no one can fathom.

**29**

He gives strength to the weary

and increases the power of the weak.

**30**

Even youths grow tired and weary,

and young men stumble and fall;

**31**

but those who hope in the Lord

will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;

they will run and not grow weary,

they will walk and not be faint.

**Matthew 11:28** “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. **29** Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

**Galatians 6:7-10** Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. **8** Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. **9** Let us not become weary in doing good, for at

the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.**10** Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

**Verses to encourage you in your prayer life...not to add more guilt.**

**Teen years can seem like they will last forever some days...**

**The parable of the women and the judge...Luke 18:1** Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.

**James 4:2** You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God.

**Matthew 6:31-34** So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' **32** For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.**33** But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. **34** Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

**Matthew 7:7-8** "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. **8** For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

**Philippians 4:6-7, 19** Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. **7** And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**19** And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

**Hebrews 4:16** Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Our regular prayers and Bible time will increase our confidence in God's Sovereign authority, which will increase our mercy and increase our grace.

O'Hallesby "When God says 'yes' it is because He loves us. When God says 'no' it is because He loves us.

When I pray I have more confidence in God's hand of protection over my children regardless of the answer He gives, because I have asked and have put the situation into His loving hands.

## **Joel 2:25-26**

“I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten—  
the great locust and the young locust,  
the other locusts and the locust swarm<sup>[a]</sup>—  
my great army that I sent among you.

### **26**

You will have plenty to eat, until you are full,  
and you will praise the name of the Lord your God,  
who has worked wonders for you;  
never again will my people be shamed.

**Ezekiel 22:30** “I looked for someone among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found no one.

**Revelation 5:8** And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God’s people.

**Psalms 141:2** May my prayer be set before you like incense;  
may the lifting up of my hands be like the evening sacrifice.

## **Ephesians 6:11-20**

Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. **12** For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. **13** Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. **14** Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, **15** and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. **16** In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. **17** Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

**18** And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people. **19** Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, **20** for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

This Battle is not teenager vs parent, this is a spiritual battle. Are we doing everything we can to take our stand against the devil’s schemes? How are you putting on the full armor of God? How are you praying in the Spirit on all occasions?

This is a war that Christ has already won, are we willing to stand with Him in Victory or stand with the enemy believing the lies that we are defeated before the battle is over and not even put up a fight?

Blessings to you and your family as you choose to fight the battle in the Spiritual realm vs the physical realm!

Questions/thoughts/ideas...feel free to contact Sherri at [sherrianfinson@gmail.com](mailto:sherrianfinson@gmail.com).