Persistent Prayers for People

An Injunction to Pray

Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere. Ephesians 6:18 (NLT2)

Prayer in the Spirit

Communication with God Interconnection with God

Praying for the People

Then the people came to Moses and cried out, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you. Pray that the LORD will take away the snakes." So Moses prayed for the people. Numbers 21:7 (NLT2)

A Prayer for Others

"My servant Job will pray for you, and I will accept his prayer on your behalf. I will not treat you as you deserve, for you have not spoken accurately about me, as my servant Job has." Job 42:8 (NLT2)

Prayers May Surprise

When Job prayed for his friends, the LORD restored his fortunes. In fact, the LORD gave him twice as much as before! Job 42:10 (NLT2)

Prayers for Growth

Ever since I first heard of your strong faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for God's people everywhere, I have not stopped thanking God for you. I pray for you constantly, asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you spiritual wisdom and insight so that you might grow in your knowledge of God. Ephesians 1:15-17 (NLT2)

Prayers for Internal Change

I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called—his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance. Ephesians 1:18 (NLT2)

Prayers for Understanding

I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms.

Ephesians 1:19-20 (NLT2)

Imagine

Now he is far above any ruler or authority or power or leader or anything else—not only in this world but also in the world to come. God has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made him head over all things for the benefit of the church. And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself. Ephesians 1:21-23 (NLT2)

Pray for Believers Everywhere

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PRAYERS FOR BELIEVERS

- Thank God for them (specifically, if known)
- Acknowledge failures, sins, and ask forgiveness
- Request the activity of the Holy Spirit in energizing, encouraging, and enlightening
- Pray for them to be strengthened in the Lord for victory over the forces of darkness
- Seek God's guidance on their behalf
- Ask that they have opportunities to promote the Lord, accomplish his will, and extend God's Kingdom
- Request God's protection and provision

Be Strong in the Lord

A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Ephesians 6:10 (NLT2)