



# 40 *days of* Prayer

**Praying in Five Dimensions**

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# 1. WE LOOK BACKWARD TO THE CROSS



## **The cross reminds us of three things:**

- 1. How deeply God loves us**
- 2. How costly sin and evil is**
- 3. How completely we are forgiven**



**For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value. <sup>19</sup> It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.**

**1 Peter 1:18-19**

*New Living Translation*

**22 The faithful love of the Lord never ends!  
His mercies never cease.**

**23 Great is His faithfulness;  
His mercies begin afresh each morning.**



**Lamentations 3:22-23**

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LOVING FACE**



**<sup>15</sup> So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when He adopted you as His own children. Now we call Him, "Abba, Father." <sup>16</sup> For His Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.**

**Romans 8:15-17**

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**17 And since we are His children, we are His heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share His glory, we must also share His suffering.**



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**All misunderstanding of prayer is a  
misunderstanding of God!**



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- **By His Spirit**

**A PARTNERSHIP**



**And the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. For example, we don't know what God wants us to pray for. But the Holy Spirit prays for us with groanings that cannot be expressed in words.**



**Romans 8:26**

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US**



**Jesus replied, “All who love Me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and We will come and make Our home with each of them.**



**John 14:23**

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**Check up on yourselves. Are you really Christians? Do you pass the test? Do you feel Christ's presence and power more and more within you? Or are you just pretending to be Christians when actually you aren't at all?**



**2 Corinthians 13:5**

*New Living Translation*

**Whoever hides their sins will not be successful, but whoever confesses their sins and stops doing wrong will receive mercy.**



**Proverbs 28:13**

*Easy Reader Version*

**Celebrate Recovery**  
**April 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**Recovery from**  
**Hurts, Hang-ups and Habits**



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# **Why does Satan discourage us from God's work?**

- 1. He doesn't want lives to be changes**
- 2. He wants to steal your joy**

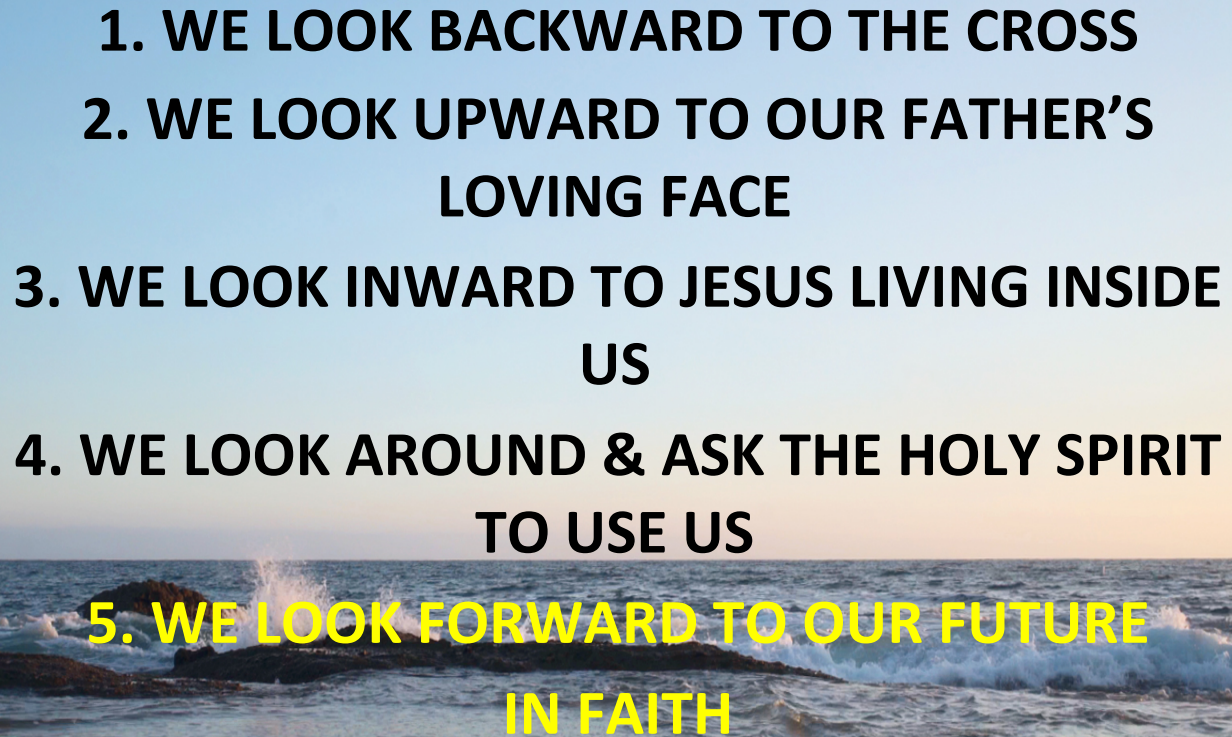


**Do not let any part of your bodies become tools of wickedness, to be used for sinning; but give yourselves completely to God—every part of you—for you are back from death and you want to be tools in the hands of God, to be used for His good purposes.**



**Romans 6:13**

*The Living Bible*

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- A photograph of a beach at sunset or sunrise. The sky is a gradient of light blue and orange. The ocean is dark blue with white foam from waves crashing against dark rocks. The foreground shows the wet sand of the beach.
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  - 5. WE LOOK FORWARD TO OUR FUTURE  
IN FAITH**

**...being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.**



**Philippians 1:6**

*New International Version*