BOOK of PRAYERS



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Before You Begin...

his little book of prayers is intended for a husband and wife to pray together—with and for each other out loud—because there is great power in doing that. The Bible says whenever two are gathered together in Jesus' name in prayer and in unity, His presence is with them (see Matthew 18:20). That leads to powerful prayer. For each prayer title, there is a prayer for the husband to pray and a prayer for the wife to pray.

The prayers I have written for you are about subjects every couple needs to cover in their marriage. These prayers can be complete in themselves, or they can be a starting point as you continue praying about the specifics of your life. And I pray you will do that. At the end of each prayer is a page that has a Scripture, and beneath it are a few blank lines—one page for each of you

to jot down any personal prayer needs you want to remember to pray about, such as finances, the needs of a child, someone's health concern, or a specific relationship to improve. It only takes a word or two to remind you, but it will keep you from forgetting what you want to remember.

The subjects in these chapters are not an assumption that you have these problems, but I'm assuming you never want these things to become a problem. You can decide to stand together in prayer and ask God to help you find a meeting place—no matter what the subject is. The truth is, you have a better chance of staying together if you pray together often. But we all want to not only stay together in our marriage. We also want to be *happy together*. In order to have all that, we need to be in agreement about certain things. And we can pray that God will *help* us to have oneness and like-mindedness, having the same Lord and being of one accord and of one mind. In other words—unity!

And He will.

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This is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

1 John 5:14-15

Maintaining a Right Heart

HIS PRAYER

Lord, thank You for my wife. Thank You for Your love for her and for me. Teach us to love each other the way You love us. Thank You for putting a new heart and a new Spirit within us. I pray You will always give me a heart that is soft toward my wife and take away any hardness of heart I have allowed to move into my thinking or feeling. Reveal any pride in me or anything I am not seeing in myself that does not please You. Give each of us a heart that longs to know You better. Deepen our closeness to You as we pray together and live according to Your Word.

A man leaves father and mother, and in marriage he becomes one flesh with a woman—no longer two individuals, but forming a new unity.

Mark 10:7-9 msg

Personal Prayer Needs	

Maintaining a Right Heart

HER PRAYER

Lord, I am grateful to You for my husband. Thank You that You brought us together for Your purpose. Teach us how to glorify You in the way we treat each other. Help us to bless You with how we bless each other. Thank You for calling us to be close to You, for that is our desire as well. I pray that You would take away any hardness I have allowed to move into my heart. I know You never approve of that. Help my husband and me to pray together daily and to stay in Your Word so that we are fed with Your truth. Help us to live Your way.

Let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

GALATIANS 6:9

Personal Prayer Needs	

Understanding the Power of Two

HIS PRAYER

Thank You, Lord, that You have made my wife and me to be strong together in Your purpose for our lives. Lord, help me to strengthen my relationship with You so that our marriage will always be strong. Make me to be a peacemaker and keep me from stirring up strife in any way. Help my wife and me to remember that we are always stronger together—especially when we pray together in unity and in the power of Your love. Teach us Your ways so we can walk in them. Give us great faith in Your Word. Enable us to believe that the two of us in unity are stronger than with any other bond.

If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Personal Prayer Needs		

Understanding the Power of Two

HER PRAYER

Lord, help us to believe without doubt that whenever we agree together in prayer, Your presence is with us. That makes our prayers so powerful that nothing can prevail against them. We understand that the power of Your presence is far greater than anything we will ever face. For that reason alone, we pray You will help us to be like-minded, having unity of love for You and for one another. Teach us to always be of one accord and of one mind, and so fulfill Your will for us. Thank You that because You have made us new, we don't have to live in the past or be weighed down by it, but we can rise above it together.

Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love.

1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Personal Prayer Needs		

Enjoying the Freedom of Forgiveness

HIS PRAYER

Lord, thank You for forgiving us of all our transgressions and giving us a new beginning. Help us to always freely forgive each other quickly so we never allow any kind of resentment to build up between us. Give us each a heart of mercy toward the other in the exact way You extend mercy toward both of us. Teach us to always live Your way. Enable us to be righteous and merciful toward each other at all times. Thank You that Your forgiveness is extended to us whenever we come humbly to You and seek it. Teach us to communicate well with each other so that we do not miscommunicate with words that are hurtful.

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32

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