

## Lydia Prayer Suggestions #15

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**Adoration:** Clear your mind by turning your thoughts to God. Allow Him to whisper his love to you.

**Romans 5:8:** "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Give Him praise for His Love, Faithfulness, Graciousness, and Wisdom.

**Psalms 63:3:** "Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you."

**Thanks:** Give thanks: For God's love – Romans 5:8

For Salvation – Ephesians 2:8-7

For God's Word – Psalm 119:105

For Prayer – Luke 9:18

For God's Presence – James 4:7-8

**Heart Search:** Read Psalm 139:13-18. Turn those verses into your own personal prayer. Pray Psalm 139:23-24 from the depths of your heart, and give God time to search you and reveal truth to you. Allow Him to illuminate, cleanse, and purify each corner of your being. Give Him your thoughts, attitudes, goals, and agenda. In any area where you are struggling and falling short, align yourself with God. Do not rush. Give God time to clear the clutter from your mind and do His work.

**Requests:** Bring your needs to God. Begin with your immediate family. Be specific. Choose a scripture to pray for each family member.

### Petitions for Your Local Church:

- Focus on spiritual needs and pray that your church leaders will be empowered with God's anointing.
- Ask God for wisdom in making church related decisions regarding buildings, finances, placement of teachers and leaders.
- Seek God's direction for the ministries and programs of your local church. Find out where He wants you to put your time and energy.
- Bind the forces of evil in the name of Jesus and pray that evil will be uprooted and overthrown where it appears in your church.
- Pray for repentance for those in your congregation who are hiding sin in their lives.
- Pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all services and meetings of your church.
- Lift up the lost in prayer. Next pray for other spiritual needs in the Body of Believers. Give thank to God for past emotional and physical healings, and thank Him in advance for future healings.

**Prayer for Teachers:** Prayerfully read James 3:1-2: If you are a teacher of any type, think for a moment about the powerful influence you have. Pray for yourself and your students. Lift all teachers and educators that you know to God in prayer.

**Prayer for Chaplains:** Pray for chaplains in the military, health care, and law enforcement.

**Prayer for Builders:** Make a list of all the builders, construction workers, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, skilled workers in your congregation. Add to that list others you know in your community. Go to the yellow pages and choose a few to add to your list. Pray for these individuals:

That God will give them strength and health to do the tasks they have to do.

That they will work as unto the Lord taking pride in their workmanship.

That they will be protected as they work in extreme weather conditions, heat, rain, wind.

That they will be honest and honorable in all their dealings

That those who are Christians will be faithful to share Christ with the unbelievers

and that their Christian influence will have a positive affect on their coworkers.

Continue choosing specific groups as time permits or use this mode of prayer at your next gathering.

**Closing Meditation:** Read Zephaniah 3:17. Visualize God saying to you that He will rejoice over you with singing. How does this make you feel? Carry that thought with you as you depart.