

Lydia Prayer Suggestions #6

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Begin your prayer hour by singing a song of praise to God. Example: "To God Be the Glory"

Wait quietly for a moment in God's presence. Let Him calm your heart and mind with His peace and silence the voices that are clamoring for your mind's attention. Acknowledge His presence. Tell Him you are going to listen to what He has to say to you today then as a group listen for five to ten minutes without giving Him any requests. Write what He says to you. He may speak a verse of Scripture to you. He may impress on your mind the words of a song. Perhaps He will bring to your thoughts a person from your past or someone who needs a word of encouragement. He may give you a message of comfort or challenge. He possibly will ask you to join Him in some activity. Write it all down. Maybe He will say nothing. If this is the case, sit quietly in His presence soaking in His love and grace.

After your listening time,

Give Him thanks for His love and grace and for any words He has spoken to you.

Pray for all individuals He placed in your thoughts.

Commit to Him your obedience for any assignment He may have given you.

Ask God to purge your heart and conscience.

Pray a prayer of repentance over anything He points out that should not be there.

Practice this discipline daily in your personal prayer life.

Ask God to reveal some ways you can simplify your life.

Pray for your family members. Ask God how you can be a blessing to each one today.

Read Acts 4:23-31. Pray for courage and boldness in the face of trials.

Bring to God petitions for your local church. Ask God to help you see through His eyes the most obstinate person in your church. Be bold enough and willing to ask God to give you a love for that person and the ability to see him or her through God's eyes. You do not have to agree with a person's behavior to love him or her through God's grace. Often that difficult person is in great inner pain and does not even realize the source of his or her woundedness.

Pray for revival in your church and the churches in your community. Ask God to let it begin in you. Lift your pastor and the staff of your local church in prayer. Pray for love in the church. Pray for the people who profess to be Christians that they will not have a form of godliness and deny the power thereof.

Use a map of your country and pray for the various cities, counties, states, provinces, locations, calling by name the ones God lays on your heart, and asking His Holy Spirit to cover the land.

If you have a globe or a world map, use it as a prayer tool to pray for missionaries and ministries that are carrying the message of Jesus to world areas.

- Pray for the world's peoples who are still in darkness.
- Pray that many will turn to Christ.
- Pray for those who have heard of Christ but have not yet responded.
- Pray for a mighty breakthrough of the gospel throughout the world.
- Pray for every tribe, language, people group, and nation God places on your heart.

A special prayer map of the world and Christian ministries can be obtained from "Every Home for Christ" by calling 1-800-423-5054.

Pray for more workers in God's harvest. Ask God how He wants to use you. Matthew 9:37-38

Close your prayer time by praising God. Read Psalm 117 aloud.