



AIM: TO PUT OUR LEARNING INTO PRACTICE IN THE COMING WEEK USING PERSONAL PRAYER TOOLS

Make a prayer list (Last Page)

Six Keys for Using a Prayer List: Try to use your list at the same time every day.

Don't worry if your prayers are sometimes very short (even one-liners) or repetitive.

Sometimes you may not know what to pray, but you can simply think of the person and offer them to God in prayer.

Try to pray specific, bite-sized prayers like, 'Please give me a chance to show them your love today.'

Some people may feature on your prayer list daily and others weekly.

Review your list regularly and record encouragements.

Prayer Dice: Alternatively, some people might like to adopt Pete Greig's 'prayer dice' idea. To do this they will need to:

- Compile a short list of their biggest prayer requests
- Find biblical promises that relate to each request
- Memorise the list
- Buy a dice with the same number of sides as the number of prayer requests

EXTRA RESOURCES USEFUL QUOTES AND ILLUSTRATIONS

. 'Whether we like it or not, asking is the rule of the Kingdom.' – C. H. Spurgeon

. 'There are endless problems in our world, but from time to time I still give my children chocolate when they ask for it. Our Father in heaven sometimes gives us our wants, as well as our needs.' – Pete Greig

. 'To know that Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, the Ruler of the whole universe, has his ear open to our personal, individual prayer, that he will do what we ask Him to do, individually, is one of the most exciting experiences anybody can ever have.' – Derek Prince 1

FURTHER RESOURCES

. **Read:** Mahesh Chavda, *The Hidden Power of Prayer and Fasting*

. **Read:** Pete Greig, *Red Moon Rising*

. **Read:** Floyd McClung, *The Father Heart of God*

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AIM: TO UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF PRAYING ‘IN THE NAME OF JESUS’

. **Read:** John 14:14, John 15:7 and John 16:23–24

. **Think:** What does it mean to ‘pray in the name of Jesus’?

Explain: The name of Jesus is not like Harry Potter’s Expelliarmus. It’s not a magic word

In Biblical times, a person’s name represented their personality, character, reputation and authority. It’s the same in business today where one’s reputation (we even call it our ‘good name’) counts for everything and companies spend millions protecting their ‘brand’

When we pray to the Father ‘in Jesus’ name’ we are asking on behalf of his Son. God never promises to answer every prayer we utter (which is a great relief). It is the requests made in line with Jesus’ character and will which the Father guarantees to fulfill

Example: The Ferrari Enzo is one of the most expensive cars in the world. Only 400 were ever made and they sell for more than a million dollars each. Imagine phoning your local Ferrari dealer and casually asking them to get one in for you to test-drive. They might not agree. But if you were calling on behalf of Bill Gates or a Saudi prince, they would do it. Names convey power and the name of Jesus is by far the greatest and most powerful

PERSONAL PRAYER LIST

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PERSONAL PRAYER REQUESTS

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