

75 Day Prayer Challenge

What do you want
to see God do in
the next 75 days?

How to Make the Most of This Guide

Welcome to Cru®'s 75 Days of Prayer. We're grateful you're taking part in this journey with us as we celebrate our 75th anniversary. Throughout this guide, you'll learn more about the power of prayer. In fact, Cru (Campus Crusade for Christ®) began through prayer!

We pray this prayer challenge helps you grow closer to Jesus and take steps of faith. We pray you see God moving in your life and your community over these next 75 days.

Let's take a look at what's ahead:

Every week will begin with a devotional to encourage you and forecast the topic of prayer, and each day will have a key question and a prayer prompt.

If you need help framing your prayer time, we encourage using the "ACTS" model:

Adoration (Praising God for who he is)

Confession (Admitting our need for God and asking for forgiveness for our shortcomings)

Thanksgiving (Thanking God for what he has done)

Supplication (Praying for others and making requests for self)

On the first day, you'll find an example of how you could structure your times utilizing the ACTS model.

As you continue on this journey, look for the "Prayer Tips" for helpful ways to grow in your relationship with God. Remember: Prayer isn't about having all the right words. Prayer is simply a conversation with God, just as you would talk to a best friend.



Week One:

Prepare Your Heart

What do you want to see God do in the next 75 days?

Where do you need God's healing, his presence, his guidance, his wisdom? Who are you praying would come to know Jesus?

As you ponder these questions, know this: God invites you to a life of prayer — a life of talking and communing with him.

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done" (Philippians 4:6, New Living Translation).

"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us" (1 John 5:14, New International Version).

"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need" (Hebrews 4:16, NIV).

Through prayer, we enter into the work that the Holy Spirit and Jesus are doing with the Father. In fact, it was through prayer that Cru® (Campus Crusade for Christ® in the U.S.) began.

For more than a year before Cru was formed, Bill Bright, co-founder of Campus Crusade for Christ, led church teams into college dormitories in the Los Angeles area. He tried to start a campus movement twice. Neither took off. As far as he knew, not a single person came to Christ at any of those meetings.

Bill and his wife, Vonette, felt compelled by God to pray. In 1951, they formed a 24-hour prayer chain, and scores of Christians prayed in 15-minute increments on behalf of our ministry.

Following the prayer chain, during a sorority meeting at UCLA, more than half of the 60 women present expressed a desire to receive Christ. Soon, more than 250 students at UCLA had committed their lives to Christ. So great was their influence for Christ that the campus chimes began to play Christian hymns at noon each day!

Now, 75 years later, Cru is present in more than 190 countries around the world.

"Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think" (Ephesians 3:20, NLT).

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Where is he leading you?

How might God move through you?

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Welcome to Day One! As mentioned on page 2, we encourage framing your prayer time around a simple model: ACTS. This model will help you have a two-way conversation with God where you communicate with him and hear from him.

Adoration (Praising God for who he is)

"Lord, thank you for who you are. You are my King and my Savior. Thank you for leading me to know you."

Confession (Admitting our need for God and asking for forgiveness for our shortcomings)

"Lord, I have sinned. I _____. Will you please forgive me? I am weary, and I confess that I can't do _____ in my strength. Will you help me?"

Thanksgiving (Thanking God for what he has done)

"Lord, thank you for leading me to this prayer guide. I am feeling _____ (your emotion) about growing in my relationship with you. Thank you for wanting to commune with me and letting me take part in what you are doing."

Supplication (Praying for others and making requests for self)

This is where we will focus our prayer guide during the following days. Each day, we will begin with a key question to reflect on and ponder with God.

Key Question: Lord, what do you want to do in and through me?

Prayer Prompt:

- Ask God what he wants to show you over the next 75 days.
- What is weighing on your heart and mind? Share that with God. "Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you" (1 Peter 5:7, NLT).

Suggested Prayer:

"Lord, thank you for leading me to know you. I am feeling _____ (your emotion) about growing in my relationship with you. Can you help me to commune with you each day? I need help with _____ (situation), and I'm feeling _____ (your emotion) about it. Would you give me your wisdom and comfort? Father, I want you to work in and through me. I am open to your guidance. In Jesus' name, amen."

God, what dream have you given me?

→ **Prayer Prompt:**

- Meditate on this Scripture: "Trust in the Lord and do good. Then you will live safely in the land and prosper. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you your heart's desires. Commit everything you do to the Lord. Trust him, and he will help you" (Psalm 37:3-5, NLT).
- Consider your [hobbies](#) and [job](#) — what are you naturally good at?
- Consider the world around you — what breaks your heart and what brings you joy?
- Ask God to use you to fulfill the dreams he has given you.

What is something you are hoping for that seems too big or seemingly impossible?

→ **Prayer Prompt:**

- Meditate on this Scripture: "Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think" (Ephesians 3:20, NLT).
- Thank God for who he is and all he has done.
- Ask God to give you wisdom to see the "impossible" situation the way He sees it.
- Ask God to use you to encourage and share his love with those involved.

How can I live with a clear heart and a ready spirit?

→ **Prayer Prompt:**

- Meditate on this Scripture: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9, NIV).
- If we confess our sins as they happen and ask the Holy Spirit to fill us afresh each time, we'll be able to discern God's promptings more clearly.
- Ask God if there is any unconfessed sin in your life that might be a barrier in your relationship with him.
- Is there anyone God might want you to talk with about him today?

As a follower of Jesus, how can I best communicate his message to others?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on these verses: "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God — this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — his good, pleasing and perfect will" (Romans 12:1-2, NIV).
- Ask the Lord if there are areas of your life that you have not turned over to his control.
- Take time to unconditionally surrender each area to him.
- [Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you](#), and trust that he is empowering you for service!

Lord, would you give me boldness to speak with people who don't know you?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on this Scripture: "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost" (Luke 19:10, NIV).
- Ask the Lord to give you the same heart he has for the people around you.
- Ask him to open doors and help you take the initiative to talk with others. (For ideas and training, see ["Share the Gospel."](#))
- Pray for an ongoing harvest of new believers among your family members, neighbors, and co-workers!

How can I draw more on the power of prayer?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on this Scripture: "They all met together and were constantly united in prayer" (Acts 1:14, NLT).
- Who would love to unite in prayer with you for the accomplishment of your dream for God to use you? Make a list of people you think would be interested.
- Ask God to guide you as you invite others to join you in prayer, and step out in faith to ask someone to pray with you.
- If you would like to learn more about prayer, check out our article, ["How to Pray: A Step-by-Step Introduction."](#)



Week Two: Living the Greatest Adventure

Jesus' final words to his disciples are an invitation to a lifetime of adventure: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8, NIV).

With that promise, the disciples would change from being ordinary people into empowered ambassadors of the coming kingdom. Could any job description be more thrilling?

Today, the adventure continues for each of us. Dr. Bright loved to remind Cru staff that "the Christian life is the greatest adventure known to man. Every day can be a great adventure when you walk in the fullness of the Holy Spirit."

This week, as we continue to ask God to do something remarkable in our 75-day challenge, we are invited to ready our hearts and lift our eyes to see the opportunities God is putting right in front of us — opportunities to live an adventurous, Spirit-filled life on mission.

How do we prepare for this significant challenge in prayer? If we want to succeed, we need to make sure some things are in place:

1. We are [filled with the Holy Spirit](#): When we step out to be Jesus' witnesses, we share in the power of the Holy Spirit.
2. We surrender the results of our work: When we act as Jesus' witnesses, we can leave the results to God. Whew! What a relief that we don't carry that pressure.
3. We are looking and listening for moments to witness: Our communities

are full of people just waiting to encounter the gospel, and Jesus invites us to work with him. Aren't we glad to partner with him on the adventure?

As you've been stepping out in faith for the past seven days, how is Jesus meeting you? Let's pray together for what he might have in store for the next seven days!

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What is your heart's response when you read Acts 1:8?

Prayer Prompt:

- Tell the Lord what you are thinking and feeling about his call to be his witness.
- How does this call seem extra challenging today?
- Invite Jesus into that space of tension and ask him to show you his grace today.

What does a life filled with the Holy Spirit look like?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on Galatians 5:22-26 (NIV): "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other."
- Is your life filled with these fruits?
- Ask God that you would be filled with his Spirit and as a result would exude love, joy, peace, forbearance (patience), kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Fasting can help increase our dependence on the Holy Spirit. What role does fasting play in your spiritual life?

Prayer Prompt:

- Ask Jesus if you should fast from something for a season.
- If you believe he's asking you to fast, write down your intention.
- Ask Jesus to meet you during this time and reveal more of himself.

How satisfied are you with the opportunities you have to share your faith?

Prayer Prompt:

- "Come, follow me, ... and I will send you out to fish for people" (Mark 1:17, NIV).
- Ask Jesus to open doors for you to share with people you encounter.
- Expect an unexpected opportunity today.

How do you share your faith without the fear of failing?

Prayer Prompt:

- In Cru, we believe successful witnessing is simply taking the initiative to share Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit and leaving the results to God.
- Ask Jesus to show you the places where you are dependent on him and the places where you might be taking too much responsibility for the outcomes.
- "In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps" (Proverbs 16:9, NIV).
- Where have you been taking responsibility for outcomes? Let Jesus know and ask him to help you depend on him.
- How can you rest in his love today?

Life moves pretty fast. How can you see the "open doors" God is already preparing today?

Prayer Prompt:

- It's sometimes easy to miss the quiet ways God is moving in the people around us. What could you do each day to attune your heart to what God wants you to do?
- Pray and ask God to help keep your eyes and heart open to the needs of the people you interact with during the day.
- Ask God for opportunities to share his love and your faith with them.
- Is there anyone you've been too afraid to talk to about Jesus? Pray for courage.

[Check out these free apps to help you share your faith.](#)

We all have one person whose salvation we've been praying for over a period of time. Who is your "one"?

Prayer Prompt:

- Write the name of your "one" in a place you'll come back to.
- Pray 2 Peter 3:9 (NIV) for your "one": "The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."
- Ask God to help you have patience to trust in his perfect timing.

Suggested Prayer:

"Lord, thank you for being patient. Help me to pray with passion and a holy impatience, and yet with trust that your timing is perfect and your heart is for everyone to come to you. In Jesus' name, amen."



WEEK THREE:

GO INTO ALL THE WORLD

What picture comes to mind when you hear the word evangelism?

A street preacher with a sign and a bullhorn quoting Revelation? Perhaps it's a mission trip where you served a community and then went door-to-door sharing your faith for the first time. Or maybe you remember a time when your life felt dark and someone special intersected your story, sharing Christ's light with you.

Evangelism can elicit all sorts of emotions and memories in the minds of modern Christ-followers. We don't live in a time and place where this incredible calling is esteemed or, sometimes, even accepted.

But did you know that sharing the love and justice of God through the story of Christ is one of the greatest privileges of being his people?

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light" (1 Peter 2:9, NIV).

Yes, God calls each of those he has saved by grace into the mission of sharing his love with the world and inviting them to know him personally. When we are adopted into his family, we're immediately part of the "family business," sharing God's transformative truth with others — trusting that many are already seeking his face. And we do so from an identity as children of God, holy and belonging to him.

As you pray through the idea of sharing your faith this week, what might cause anxiety within you? What excites you or makes your heart come alive? What would make you feel "successful" in this important work?

May we remember, as Bill Bright, the co-founder of Cru shared: Successful evangelism is taking a step of faith in the power of the Holy Spirit and leaving the results up to God.

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What part do you have to play in God's mission?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on this Scripture: "For 'everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.' How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!'" (Romans 10:13-15, English Standard Version).
- What picture comes to mind when you read this definition of evangelism? How would you like to fit into that picture?

How does knowing who you are in Christ change the way you approach evangelism?

Prayer Prompt:

- What does it mean that God calls you chosen, his child, a light, his temple, his masterpiece (1 Peter 2:9, Galatians 4:6, Acts 13:47, 1 Corinthians 3:16, Ephesians 2:10)?
- Do you struggle to believe any of these?
- Ask God to show you how he sees you and how he longs to use you.

Who has the Lord placed in your life who needs to know about his truth and grace in Christ?

Prayer Prompt:

- Sometimes if we're not serving in full-time ministry, we can find it difficult to determine our "mission field." But the Bible makes it clear when Jesus says, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation" (Mark 16:15, NIV). Everyone needs the gospel. When you hear everyone, who first comes to mind?
- Scripture shows us that Jesus sent people to far places to share about himself, but sometimes he sent people back to their home communities (Mark 5:19). Who do you see in day-to-day life who needs the hope of God's grace, clarity about who he is or the truth of what he did?
- Take five minutes to make a list of anyone the Lord brings to your mind who needs him.

Prayer Tip:

You don't have to have a "plan" as you brainstorm with the Lord or feel any pressure to move at this point. This is just a time for you and God to dream about those he loves.

With what attitude has the Lord called you to share your faith?

Prayer Prompt:

- What feelings does evangelism elicit? How have you pictured evangelism in the past? Does that picture remind you of Jesus?
- Have you considered different ways the Lord may lead you to approach friends or family members with his truth? Some ideas include:
 - Beginning with a daily prayer for them, or even with them.
 - Caring for a physical need before discussing spirituality and belief.
 - Asking questions about their background and motivations.
- Ask God to fill you with his Holy Spirit first and foremost. Let go of any preconceptions, and breathe in his perfect grace, forgiveness and love.

How did you feel when you heard the gospel of Jesus Christ and your heart changed?

Prayer Prompt:

- What is the [gospel](#)?
- Meditate on 1 Corinthians 15:1-8.
- Ask God to lead you to the right methods and tools that can encourage you to share your faith on a regular basis. Perhaps it's thinking through your testimony, or using a more structured presentation, like those found in the [GodTools App](#).

When and where can you make it a practice to share your faith?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on this Scripture: "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God — even as I try to please everyone in every way. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved" (1 Corinthians 10:31-33, NIV).
- What does an ordinary weekday in your life look like? How about a weekend?
- Ask God how you can see him and share him in the activities he's regularly led you to do during your weekly schedule.



What is your first step of faith as you seek to be a light for Christ to those around you?

Prayer Prompt:

- Spend time today sitting with Jesus and praising him for his goodness and faithfulness. Not only has he used his people to call each of us into his kingdom, but he invites us to be part of that mission as well.
- Ask him to fill you daily as you pursue his call to be a light in your sphere of influence.
- Ask him to bring to mind one or two people with whom he specifically desires you to share the message of Christ.
- Ask him for a simple first step to take in that direction.

An Invitation

- As you journey through this guide, we want you to know you are not alone. We, in all of our Cru ministries, are praying for and with you. And, we want to connect with you! You can check out our ministry websites at [this](#) link. Afterwards, let us continue praying together for what God is going to do in our lives and communities.



WEEK FOUR:

ONE CONVERSATION CAN CHANGE EVERYTHING

What if God led you somewhere you didn't expect to go? How would you respond?

For generations, Jews steered clear of Samaritans — their mixed-ancestry relatives for whom they felt deep hatred. Jews would sometimes even walk an extra 75 miles to avoid interaction. Despite this, John 4 shares that Jesus went through Samaria on his way to Galilee, and he took his disciples with him.

After walking for a while, they stopped at Jacob's well in a Samaritan village to rest. Jesus stayed and sent the disciples to find food. When a woman walked up for water, Jesus asked her for a drink. This was not normal. She noticed.

They talked about many surprising things, and she became thirsty for the living water Jesus described. She told him, "I know that Messiah ... is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us." When Jesus heard her response, he revealed, "I am he" (John 4:25-26, NIV).

Just then the disciples returned, shocked to see Jesus talking with a woman. She left her water jar and went to share her experience with others in the city.

"Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did," she exclaimed to fellow Samaritans. "Could this be the Christ?" (John 4:29, NIV).

They listened to her testimony then found Jesus themselves and listened to his teaching for two days. Because of Jesus' words, many more believed in

him — all through a change that began in the life of one woman. "We no longer believe just because of what you said," they told her; "now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world" (John 4:42, NIV).

Jesus made a decision to go through Samaria, not around it. His interaction with the woman at the well changed her life! She shared about Jesus with her community. Many came to hear Jesus' teaching for themselves. The community was transformed.

Imagine how God could use you in unexpected places and conversations!

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Consider how Jesus pursued people. How did Jesus pursue you?

Prayer Prompt:

- Reflect on John 4:1-42. Thank God for his pursuit of people, for Jesus becoming a person of flesh and dwelling among us (John 1:14), and for the Holy Spirit's work in and through believers (Acts 1:8).
- Imagine being the woman at the well, the disciples, the townspeople. How does Jesus interact with them? What do you learn from their responses?
- Thank God for [your story](#) of how you met Jesus. Share your story with a friend.



How can I see my community with eyes like Jesus?

Prayer Prompt:

- Who are people in your life (individuals or a community) whom you see but don't really know? Pray for eyes to see your neighborhood, your drive to the office, even the cashier at the grocery store the way he does.
- Make a list of people and places he opened your eyes to, and pray that God will provide a way that helps you get to know them in their world. Ask a friend to join you, and pray for their list too.
- Pray for opportunities and a flexible spirit that's willing to enter into their world.



Are there any areas God is inviting you to offer or receive forgiveness today?

Prayer Prompt:

- Read Matthew 18:10-35 and pray through the verses.
- Think back to the people you listed in your community on day two. Is there anyone you need to forgive or ask for forgiveness from? Sometimes, without even realizing it, we carry quiet assumptions or "filters" that keep us at a distance from the people around us. Ask the Father to clear away anything that clouds your vision today. Pray for eyes to see the dignity, value and grace (or "undeserved kindness") he has for them.
- Ask God for the grace to be honest, and to forgive and ask for forgiveness when needed (see Ephesians 2:8-9, Mark 11:25, Colossians 3:12-14).

Prayer Tip:

Brainstorming people to pray for (and asking God to put people on your heart) is a great way to engage with the Lord in prayer and love others well.

Become an active listener as you lean into the stories and lived experiences of others. How can you be curious and ask respectful questions that will help you understand their journeys?

Prayer Prompt:

- Pray through your list from day two of people in your community who you see often but don't really know, and ask God how you can help others feel seen — as Jesus demonstrated in his connection with the woman at the well.
- Instead of asking "yes" or "no" questions, try beginning a question with "how" or "what" to learn more. For example, "How would you describe this?" or "What do you think?" Focus on open-ended questions where you can learn more from the person you are listening to.
- Pray about what you hear and ask God for wisdom on your next steps. Listen for God's answer and look for opportunities (John 10:27, Psalm 85:8).

Who can you serve today through an encouraging text or phone call, an act of service, or the ministry of presence?

Prayer Prompt:

- Read about Jesus from John 1:9-14. Focus on verse 14: "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us ..." (NIV).
- Be honest with God about any fears that hold you back from pursuing relationships with people in your world you'd like to know better.
- Pray for an opportunity to help someone.

Think about your neighborhood. Which of your neighbors could you pursue time with, then share more about your story and ask them to share a bit of their story with you?

Prayer Prompt:

- Read and pray through Romans 12:9-21.
- Ask God for opportunities to concretely serve someone in your community, whether by providing and sharing a meal, hosting an event, or being present to listen and comfort them if they're hurting.

How would you like to develop and build relationships in your life in the power of the Holy Spirit?

Prayer Prompt:

- In John 4, the Samaritan woman at the well shared her story, and verse 39 (NIV) tells us that "many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony." Pray for opportunities to [share your own personal testimony](#).
- In Acts 1:8 God calls us to go out in the power of the Holy Spirit to places near as well as "to the ends of the earth" (NIV).
- Look for opportunities to interact and cultivate relationships, serving one another in love (Galatians 5:13).



Week Five:

Rooted in the one who knows you

We often “follow” people without knowing them. Celebrities. Influencers. Podcasters. We watch them, read about them and feel connected. But connection isn’t the same as a relationship.

And if we’re honest, maybe we’ve done the same thing with Jesus.

We know the stories. We can find the verses. We sing the songs. But along the way, knowing about him became a substitute for actually knowing him. If we slow down, most of us can feel the difference between the two.

This is Jesus. The one through whom the world was spoken into existence. The one who knows you personally. The promised Messiah. The Word made flesh. He lived the life we could not live and died the death we deserved, paying the price for our sins. The grave did not hold him. He now reigns as the risen and returning King who will make all things new.

Do you see him clearly?

That same Jesus calls you by name. “I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine” (Isaiah 43:1, ESV).

What a promise! You are his and he loves you. Not your social media highlight reel. Not the best version of yourself. You. The full, unedited, complicated version. The version that still feels unfinished. And he knows you completely.

When you truly know him, everything changes. The Bible stops feeling like

homework and starts feeling like a letter you’re desperate to receive. Prayers stop feeling like a monologue and become a conversation.

This Jesus is exactly who he said he is. He is God. He is good. He is faithful. You can trust him with your life and every request you place before him.

Think back to Week One. What are you trusting God for? He is at work. Even if you can’t see his hand, trust his heart.

He is not finished. Not with you. Not with your story.

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Be honest. Does Bible reading ever feel more like an obligation than a delight? When did that shift happen?



Prayer Prompt:

- Ask God to replace duty with desire. Ask him to meet you in his Word today, not as a task to complete but as a person to know.
- Think about the last time God's Word genuinely surprised you, moved you or stopped you in your tracks. What were the circumstances?
- Meditate on this Scripture: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied" (Matthew 5:6, ESV).

Suggested Prayer:

"Jesus, if I'm honest, your Word has started to feel like a to-do item. I open it out of habit or obligation. Will you forgive me? You are the living Word, the one I'm supposed to be meeting here in these verses. Will you grow in me a genuine hunger for Scripture, not to check a box but to actually know you? Show me your character, your authority, your heart. Because when I see you rightly, it reshapes how I think, steadies what I feel and anchors what I believe. Make me someone who longs for this. I pray this in the matchless name of Jesus, amen."

Is your prayer life a conversation, or are you doing all the talking?



Prayer Prompt:

- What if God has been speaking to you, and the problem isn't that he's quiet? What might he be saying that you've been too busy to hear? If you don't know, ask him.
- Think honestly about your daily rhythm. What would you have to give up or move around to create space for God's voice?
- Meditate on this Scripture: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me" (John 10:27, ESV).
- Ask God to quiet the competing voices so you can clearly hear his voice. If you're curious how you can hear from God, start by reading the Bible. As you pray, if you're reminded of an encouraging truth, verify it against Scripture. God will never say something in contradiction to his Word.

What's one spiritual discipline, or habit, you keep meaning to build?

Prayer Prompt:

- Be honest with yourself about any spiritual discipline you need. What's standing in the way of making it a reality, and is that obstacle a scheduling problem or a priority problem?
- What would your life look like six months from now if you built this discipline into your life? What would be different about your life?
- Meditate on this Scripture: "Train yourself for godliness; for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way" (1 Timothy 4:7-8, ESV).

Prayer Tip:

Spiritual disciplines are intentional, repetitive practices such as prayer, fasting, silence or giving that help you grow in your relationship with God.

Is there someone you've quietly stopped praying for because hoping about them hurts too much?

Prayer Prompt:

- Say their name out loud. Don't rush past it. God invites you to sit with him. Consider your feelings and prayers for this person as you spend a moment with the Lord.
- What has hoping for this person cost you emotionally? Have you been honest with God about that exhaustion?
- Meditate on this Scripture: "Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a dream fulfilled is a tree of life" (Proverbs 13:12, NLT).

Suggested Prayer:

"Sovereign Lord, you know their name — the person who came to mind. I'll be honest, I've grown tired of praying for them. Hope deferred does something to a person, and I've felt it. But your Word says you replace hearts of stone with hearts of flesh, and I'm asking you to do that. Let them taste and see that you are good. Remove whatever is standing between them and seeing you clearly. Give me the courage to keep praying and the compassion to keep reflecting you well. As long as you give them breath, you are not finished. In the redemptive name of Jesus, amen."

As you wait for God to answer prayers, has that waiting diminished your faith or is God using that time to build something stronger in you?



Prayer Prompt:

- Go back to week one. What did you ask God for? Write it down again today. Say it out loud. Bring it back before him.
- Be honest about where you are right now. Has the waiting produced doubt, distance or deeper faith? Tell God exactly what you discover.
- Meditate on this Scripture: "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief" (Mark 9:24, NIV).

Suggested Prayer:

"Father, you know what I'm carrying. You know the prayer I keep bringing back to you. Some days I believe you are at work in this situation. Some days, if I'm honest, I don't know. I believe. Help my unbelief. I don't understand your timing, but I'm choosing to trust your heart. You are God and I am not. You are able to do more than I can ask or imagine. I'm holding onto that today. Keep me anchored. Keep me expectant. And whatever you are doing in me in the waiting, don't let me miss it. In the faithful, trustworthy name of Jesus I pray, amen."

If you want God to write your story, you have to give him the pen. Where are you holding tightly to control?



Prayer Prompt:

- Name it honestly. What specific situation, relationship or outcome are you trying to edit, manage or control?
- What are you afraid will happen if you release that to God? Have you told God that fear?
- Meditate on this Scripture: "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:8-9, ESV).
- Ask God to help you trust him even when it's hard. Ask him to remind you of his goodness and faithfulness throughout every season.

What if your gratitude today had nothing to do with your circumstances and everything to do with who God is?

Prayer Prompt:

- Before you pray for anything else today, finish this sentence: God, you are_____.
- Look back over this week. Where did God meet you? Where did he surprise you? Where did he hold you?
- Meditate on this Scripture: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!" (Psalm 103:1, ESV).
- Thank God for who he is: your Savior, your King, your Father, your Redeemer.
- If being thankful is hard today, ask God to remind you of the good things he has placed in your life.



Week Six:

Send me, I'll go ...

When you think about going and telling people about Jesus, what thoughts or feelings arise within you?

Are you filled with exhilaration and excitement — ready to embark on a grand adventure? Or do you feel a sense of anxiety, fear or dread?

So often we view telling others about Jesus as stepping into the great unknown. Whether we are preparing to talk to our roommate about faith or go on a mission trip halfway around the world, uncertainty often marks the expedition.

But what if we shifted our focus? What if we looked first at the one who calls us and then at what he has commissioned us to do?

The prophet Isaiah didn't make his bold declaration in isolation when he said,

"Here am I. Send me!" (Isaiah 6:8, NIV). Instead, he was responding to a vision of the Lord.

Isaiah saw God sitting on his throne. In the presence of a holy God, he realized his sinfulness and inadequacy. God cleansed him, then he called him. Isaiah's bold declaration to "send me" was really a simple response of faith.

The apostle Paul, one of the most courageous missionaries of the New Testament, similarly responded to God's call with faith, calling himself: "a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God"

(Romans 1:1, NIV).

Throughout the Bible, what gave the prophets and apostles their courage was their undivided focus on the one who called them.

You too are called. You are equipped. You are sent to make Jesus known in the world. But you don't go alone. The one who called you will equip you and go with you.

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When God asked, "Whom shall I send?" in Isaiah 6:8, Isaiah responded, "Here am I. Send me!" What is your response to God's call to you?



Prayer Prompt:

- Consider Isaiah's words. In what areas of your life could you also say, "Send me"?
- Now consider Paul's words from Romans 1: "a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God." Personalize this statement. Insert your name. And use these Scriptures as a prayer.

Suggested Prayer:

"Lord, I am a servant of Christ Jesus. You have called me to be a witness to the gospel. Will you help me say yes to your call? I want to share your love with others. Send me to make an impact for you."

Lord, would you show me more about who you are? Could you show me that you are with me as I serve?



Prayer Prompt:

- Ask God to show you something new about his character. How does knowing him give you courage for what he calls you to do?
- Consider Jesus' promise to send the Holy Spirit to his followers: "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever" (John 14:16, ESV).
- Ask God to help you see all the ways he is with you and helping you throughout your day.
- Ask him to give you a heart dependent upon his Holy Spirit.
- Write down some of the ways you have seen God's Spirit work in and through you recently.

God, would You show me more about your saving grace?



Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on God's heart to save us: "But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!)" (Ephesians 2:4-5, NLT).
- What do these verses teach us about God? What do they teach us about ourselves?
- How can anyone be saved?
- Pray and thank God for his saving grace in your life and in the lives of others around you.
- Ask God to help you share the truth of his saving grace with someone today.

How has God equipped you to serve?



Prayer Prompt:

- Prayerfully consider how God has been at work in your life. As Paul wrote, "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them" (Ephesians 2:10, ESV).
- What passions and gifts has God given you? How can you use these things to share his love with others?
- Write down your [salvation story](#), which is your testimony, and think about how you could simply share it with someone.

What spaces in your life don't have a Christian presence? Your work? Your local school district? Your favorite pastimes?



Prayer Prompt:

- Ask God to bring to mind the spaces that don't have a Christian presence.
- Pray specifically for the people in those spaces.
- Then ask God for an opportunity to [share your faith](#) with someone you have just been praying for.
- Consider the spaces around the world that don't have a Christian presence. How might God be calling you to share his love outside your comfort zone?

Who can I demonstrate your love for today? Lord, I pray for _____ as I go and serve them.



Prayer Prompt:

- Yesterday you considered the spaces that don't have a Christian presence. Today, consider someone from one of those spaces whom you might serve today. Could you deliver a coffee and attach a nice note? Might you ask how that person is doing and truly listen?
- Pray for that person by name.
- Pray that you would be led by the Holy Spirit in your conversation.
- Pray that you would feel God's presence with you.

Prayer Tip:

If you ever feel like your prayers aren't "good enough," remind yourself that you are a child of God (John 1:12). A father doesn't ignore his child just because they stumble over their words. Because of Jesus, you have complete access to the Father. This is not because of your performance (Hebrews 4:16).

DAY 07

What does "living sent" look like?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on Scriptures that show God's character (Isaiah 6:3, Psalm 103:8, 1 Timothy 2:3-4).
- Pray that God will give you a heart and mind for others.
- Pray that God will help you see the opportunities he places before you each day to be a witness for him.
- Pray that you will be sensitive to God's leading to pray for and serve those near you and around the world.



Week Seven:

Whole campus, whole world

God is calling a new generation of worshippers to himself — young people who will seek him in spirit and in truth. We have the privilege of joining him in his glorious work through our prayers and obedience. We can come alongside youth and students as friends and mentors. The heart of God is to reveal himself to people exactly where they are: in schools, in their local communities and in their digital spaces.

Psalms 86:9 (NIV) prophetically announces: “All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name.” This announcement includes all people of all ages and is worthy of rejoicing and celebration!

Through our prayers and proclamation of the gospel, we have a blessed opportunity to take part in the Great Commission: to “go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation” (Mark 16:15, NIV).

Dr. Bill Bright (co-founder of Campus Crusade for Christ) said: “Reach the campus today; reach the world tomorrow.” We will be praying this week with his words in mind.

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—Dr. Bill Bright



What does it mean to you that the Father gave his Son for you and for the whole world?

Prayer Prompt:

- Thank the Lord for his sacrificial love and mercy.
- Ask the Lord to put a college or high school on your heart and pray John 3:16 over that campus. You might even drive by it (or walk around it) and recite this Scripture. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16, NIV).
- Also pray this Scripture over the young people in your life who do not know Jesus yet.

Suggested Prayer:

"God, I know you love _____ (name of campus). You gave your son Jesus to save the people on this campus. I pray that they would experience your love today. Would you send someone to be an encouragement to them today? Will you help me share your love with the young people I know today? In Jesus' name, amen."

Where do you see the "seeds" of God's Word beginning to grow in the students and young people around you?

Prayer Prompt:

- Pray that social media would continue to be flooded with the encouragement of Christians sharing their faith, planting seeds in people's lives.
- Pray for the United States, where many campuses are experiencing a great surge of students searching for something real. Ask God to reveal himself to them.
- Pray that all the students coming to Christ over the last few years would be rooted and grounded in their faith as Ephesians 3:16-19 declares and become Spirit-filled multiplying disciples that God would send to the world.
- Pray for God's salvation to reach "to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8, NIV) through believing students and faculty who truly follow Jesus.



How can we partner with God for campuses that are thousands of miles away from us?

Prayer Prompt:

- Pray that God would give you faith in his ability and desire to answer prayer. Pray through James 5:16, Mark 11:22-25, and Ephesians 3:20-21. Our prayers matter. They are powerful because we have a God who is everywhere, all the time, and all powerful!
- Ask God to put a campus on your heart that is overseas and ask God to stir up a searching, welcoming spirit in students and faculty on that campus.
- Pray that God's gospel would get to every student and faculty searching for spiritual truth.
- Prayer with fasting is powerful. There are movements of believers around the world praying and fasting, seeking God's face and asking that he draw more people to himself. Ask God what campus or country he wants you to start praying for.



What does it mean for Jesus to be the Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6)?

Prayer Prompt:

- Anxiety, depression and loneliness are heavy burdens for students today. Ask the Lord to intervene and bring freedom, healing and supernatural care to students who are experiencing these realities.
- "The God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ... This is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it" (1 Peter 5:10, 12, ESV). Pray and ask God to strengthen students.
- Pray that your heart would be molded to his heart, the compassionate heart of our Savior and Good Shepherd.

Prayer Tip:

Consider trying out a [breath prayer](#) — a short, one-sentence prayer said in a single breath. Example: (Inhale) "Lord, you are my Shepherd," (Exhale) "I will follow you."

In what ways is the Holy Spirit inviting you to celebrate the courage of students who are sharing their faith today?

Prayer Prompt:

- Pray for students to have courage and a gentle spirit as they share the hope of their faith with friends.
- Pray for students to have courage to share their faith on social media and in person.
- Pray for the Middle East, where God has been revealing himself to students in unexpected ways. Pray for students who have had dreams of "the man in white," who many identify as Jesus. Pray that God would send out Christ-centered followers to tell those students more about who Jesus is. Pray that they would find stories of hope online via social media where testimonies are shared.
- Is there a youth group at your church? Pray that God would prompt the attendees to invite their friends to hear the gospel.

How can you be a guide for a young person today as they learn to see themselves as part of God's global mission?

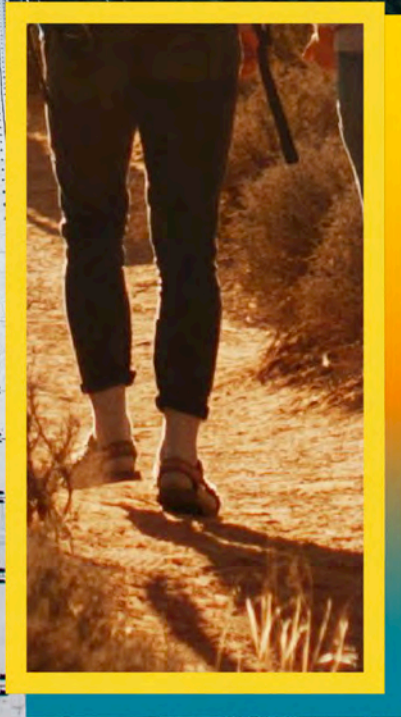
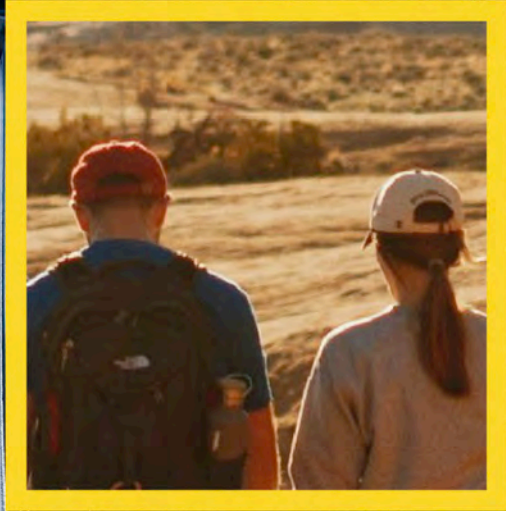
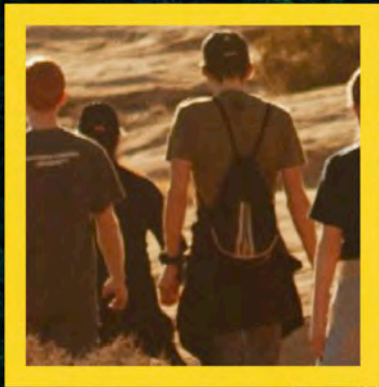
Prayer Prompt:

- Pray that God's people will depend on his Spirit. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts" (Zechariah 4:6, ESV).
- Pray for students to get connected to ministries that help them learn how to share their faith and walk alongside others as they grow.
- Pray that God would continue to help Cru reach high school and college campuses. Pray for spiritual movements of multiplication that will spread like wild fires.

What do you think it might look like if every campus in every nation had Spirit-led multiplying disciples proclaiming the gospel?

Prayer Prompt:

- Take a moment to praise God reading Revelation 5:12 (NIV): "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"
- Pray that God would send out Spirit-led multiplying disciples with fresh missionary zeal to go to the nations to share the gospel.
- Pray that God would reveal the glory of Jesus to the nations through his people.



Week Eight:

Sent to the ends of the earth

Missionaries were sent out long before Cru was founded. Even before William Carey, who is known as the "Father of Modern Missions," was born, and before Jesus sent out his 12 disciples, as recorded in Mark 6.

In Mark 5, Jesus heals a man of demon possession and tells him, "Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you" (Mark 5:19, NIV).

In response, the newly healed man went throughout the country of the Gerasenes testifying of the life-changing encounter he had with the Son of God. In fact, we know the results of his work because later, when Jesus returns to that area, he's met by massive crowds eagerly anticipating his arrival. "As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognized Jesus. They ran throughout that whole region and carried the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was" (Mark 6:54-55, NIV).

The Gerasenes was a region located on the west side of the Sea of Galilee, the opposite shore from where Jesus had mostly ministered up to that point. The area was a Roman-influenced Gentile place with a significantly different culture than the mostly Jewish eastern shore where Jesus was from.

From the very beginning, we see how the gospel was meant to be shared across borders, in different languages and among diverse ethnicities. Revelation 7:9 (NIV) illustrates a picture of heaven with "a great multitude that no one could count,

from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb."

How is God calling you to take the gospel to the ends of the earth?

Where is he calling you to go? Who is God calling you to speak to?

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Lord, would you reveal to me your heart for the nations?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on Revelation 7:9-10 (NIV), "After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: 'Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.'"
- Learn about some of the world's [unreached people groups](#).
- Pray for the unreached groups in the world, that the Lord would raise up laborers both from within and outside to carry the gospel to them.

How will we see the Great Commission fulfilled?

Prayer Prompt:

- Read Matthew 28:18-20.
- When you think of Jesus' authority in verse 18, what comes to mind? Praise him for lending that authority to us as we go out to share the gospel.
- Pray that the church would continue to grow and that we would soon see disciples raised up from all nations.
- Ask the Lord for boldness and strength as you take part in helping to fulfill the Great Commission.

Who is my neighbor?

Prayer Prompt:

- The term diaspora refers to significantly large groups of people who have moved away from their homeland. Estimates place the current global diaspora at more than 300 million, including more than 50 million in the United States. Their unique stories, cultures and gifts could be a catalyst for the gospel to continue to be spread around the world.
- Consider who in your community are also members of the diaspora community.
- As the Lord brings people to mind, pray for them, that they would be continually drawn toward God.



How can I create a caring community for those who are members of the diaspora?

Prayer Prompt:

- Read Acts 2:44-47 (NIV): "All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."
- The crowd gathered in Jerusalem at Pentecost in Acts 2 was a diasporic community. As new believers, they sought community with each other despite their many ethnic and language differences.
- Praise God for the gifts of fellowship and unity among believers through Jesus' work on the cross.
- Pray for opportunities to create caring communities for members of the global diaspora.



How do I humbly approach diaspora communities?

Prayer Prompt:

- Meditate on this Scripture: "Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others" (Philippians 2:1-4, NIV).
- Consider what it means to be a humble learner. Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you with humility as you move toward others.
- Pray for openings to meet and learn more about your diaspora neighbors.



What does our unity show to others?

Prayer Prompt:

- Read this Scripture: John 17:20-23.
- Pray for the unity of all believers, across age, gender, and geographic and cultural barriers.
- Ask the Lord for opportunities to invite nonbelievers into your Christian community in order to be a gospel witness.
- Reflect on the challenges of oneness with fellow believers that you may experience (1 Corinthians 1:10). Ask the Holy Spirit to renew your heart.



What has God done so far?

Prayer Prompt:

- As you enter into the final weeks of this prayer journey, reflect on what you've learned and how you've heard from God.
- Continue to ask God to send you opportunities to share your faith with the nations, whether abroad or at home.



Week Nine:

Home as a mission field

To hear the word *home* likely sparks a different picture and set of emotions for every person. Our homes can be complicated places. It's the place where our true self often appears. Even with the best intentions, we still make mistakes and fall short. We still need Jesus to give us self-control and wisdom for our interactions with those we love most.

Thankfully, the Scriptures offer direction when it comes to building our homes. Psalm 127:1 (NIV) says, "Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain."

God invites us to welcome him into our families and our spheres of influence. We don't have to build the foundation of our homes on our own efforts, which often leaves cracks and makes us vulnerable in times of hardship and trouble. He offers us a better way — to build our foundation on Christ. In Matthew 7:24 (NIV), Jesus shares, "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock." Building our homes on the foundation of Christ provides us a steady, firm foundation that won't break in times of trouble.

As you invite God into your home and begin trusting him to lead and guide your family, consider how he might use your home for his purposes. Having a missional mindset for your home and in your community means looking for opportunities to come alongside what God is already doing in the hearts and lives of those who live closest to you.

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How have you seen God at work in your family relationships?

Prayer Prompt:

- “For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations” (Psalm 100:5, NIV).
- Pray for your family by generation — the family members in your generation as well as the ones before you, after you and beyond.
- Pray for your most immediate family members by name. Ask for God’s blessing on their lives, and pray they’d experience his grace and peace every day.
- Family relationships can be complicated, or even painful. Ask God to heal you of any pain you’ve experienced or caused within your family. Invite the Holy Spirit’s wisdom and discernment to lead you forward toward redemption.

Prayer Tip:

Sometimes when you pray, distractions may pop up in your mind. If a random task or worry pops into your head while praying, don’t fight it. Instead, pray about that specific thing, then return to your original focus. God wants to hear all of your cares (1 Peter 5:7).



How many other families do you know and interact with regularly? Write down their names and pray for them by household.

Prayer Prompt:

- “The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace” (Numbers 6:24-26, NIV).
- Pray for families you know personally — pray for marriages, children, parents and any specific needs you’re aware of.
- Pray for these families to be transformed by Christ. What [characteristic of God](#) do they need to experience most right now? How could knowing and experiencing the good news of Jesus change everything for them?

How can you serve the Lord by caring for those who live in closest proximity to you? Do you see your home as God's territory?



Prayer Prompt:

- "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15, NIV).
- Pray for your home and those who live in it with you. If you live by yourself, pray for those who live closest to you or spend time in your home.
- Invite God into your home, surrendering your desire for control. Pray over each room, encircling your home with blessings and petitions for those who enter.
- Take a prayer walk around your neighborhood, around your apartment complex or down your road. As you pass other homes, pray a blessing over them.

Of the people who live closest to you, who has yet to know God personally? Pray for them by name, that they would encounter Jesus and accept his gift of grace.



Prayer Prompt:

- "How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'" (Romans 10:14-15, NIV).
- Pray for boldness to initiate conversations with neighbors you don't know. Pray for natural opportunities to [share about your spiritual journey](#) and to ask about theirs.

How might God use you or your household to draw family members, roommates or neighbors closer to himself? Take note of any names or ideas as they surface.



Prayer Prompt:

- "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16, NIV).
- Pray through your [hobbies](#) and daily routines, and consider how you could cultivate relationships by inviting others to join you on your walks, in your pickup games or for a meal.



Who has gotten married in the last year? Write down the names of every newly married couple you know.

Prayer Prompt:

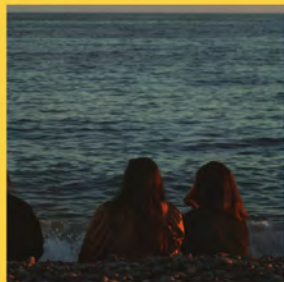
- "So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate" (Matthew 19:6, NIV).
- Ask God to bless these marriages and shape them to glorify him. Ask God how you can provide support or encouragement to the newlyweds in your life.



Who has welcomed a child into their home in the last year? Write down as many as you can think of and pray for them by name.

Prayer Prompt:

- "I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" (Jeremiah 29:11, NIV).
- Pray for God's blessing on both the child and the parent(s) or guardian(s). Pray also for any families you know who are experiencing heartache in this area. Ask God how you can provide support or encouragement to the new, or hopeful, parents in your life.



Week Ten:

Innovative gospel ideas

In Mark 2:1-12 we read about four men who wanted to help a paralytic by bringing him to Jesus. Imagine what the situation might have been like from their perspective when a large crowd prevented them from directly walking up to the one who could heal their friend. That must have been so frustrating! But the four men were motivated, and they found a creative way around the obstacle before them by opening up a hole in the roof and lowering the paralytic down in front of Jesus.

Seeing this kind of compassion and Jesus' healing work in action challenges us to remember that sometimes a creative approach can help us in our mission to make disciples. We often encounter obstacles along our path as we try to bring people closer to Jesus. Thankfully, we have the Spirit of God to direct and empower our steps through the challenges we face.

This week we consider our need for innovative ideas to overcome roadblocks in our efforts to bring people to the only one who can truly heal them: Jesus. Roadblocks can pop up anywhere, especially along the road to reaching more people in new spaces with the love of Christ.

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Consider the great love the four men had for their paralytic friend in Mark 2:1-12. When there was no room to enter the front door, they cut a hole in the roof. How can you have that same motivation for your friends?



Prayer Prompt:

- Read Mark 2:1-12. Imagine yourself as one of the four men who carried their friend, then consider some of the obstacles you yourself face today when sharing about Jesus.
- Express to the Lord your thoughts and feelings about the obstacles you see in your path and your motivation to overcome them for the sake of others.
- Ask God to help you be visionary about the way you share him with others.

Where, and with whom, do you feel most comfortable having conversations about Jesus?



Prayer Prompt:

- Thank the Lord and celebrate any steps of faith you have taken in the past to start spiritual conversations.
- We all are naturally inclined to have conversations with certain kinds of people in certain kinds of places. If you are not sure who these people are for you, ask God to reveal them to you and give you ideas for how you can bless them.

Where else could you go to meet people who have yet to believe in Jesus?



Prayer Prompt:

- Are there other people you could reach out to, but you aren't quite sure how to go about doing that? Spend some time reflecting on this before the Lord, and ask him if he is calling you to go to new places.
- Some members of a community, and some communities as a whole, have had few opportunities to hear about Jesus. Pray that God would motivate and empower his people to reach more individuals and more groups who have yet to hear the good news of Jesus.

What is your experience in using tools and resources for evangelism?

Prayer Prompt:

- Cru has developed a number of tools to help the body of Christ do evangelism, like [Soularium](#) and [GodTools](#). Pray that God continues to give innovative ideas to the teams that create resources like these.
- Do you usually use a specific tool for evangelism? Would you like to learn more about ways to [start spiritual conversations](#) and to share the gospel? Ask the Lord for opportunities to be further equipped in this area, while remembering to rely not on tools or innovative approaches, but on the Spirit of God.

How can you expand your outreach online?

Prayer Prompt:

- Many Christians think of evangelism and discipleship only in terms of face-to-face activities. But in today's world, so much of our lives are spent on digital platforms. If you are already using one or more social media platforms, ask the Lord to help you reach out to your network of friends and family there with the message of Jesus.
- Pray for ideas on how to listen, ask questions, better understand and communicate with others through online platforms.

What opportunities does the metaverse hold for you?

Prayer Prompt:

- Ever increasing numbers of people are spending time in a three-dimensional, virtual environment known as the metaverse. The social features of the metaverse present a unique opportunity for Christians to minister to people in immersive environments. Pray for the virtual reality missionaries who visit metaverse platforms to share the love of Christ.
- Ask the Lord if he would have you explore the metaverse as a new place for starting spiritual conversations. The Jesus Film Project® offers a free [metaverse Ministry Tool Kit](#) for anyone interested in learning more about this new approach.

How can you collaborate with other believers using innovative ways to make disciples?

Prayer Prompt:

- Reaching people with the gospel is not limited to one-on-one interactions. In fact, welcoming people into the body of Christ so that they can see Christ's love among his people can be a powerful way to witness. Ask God to show you ways in which you can work together with others in the disciple-making process.
- Reflect on ways that you can encourage unity, love for one another and the fruit of God's Spirit within your own Christian community.



Week Eleven:

Prepared for a life on mission

Every year, hopeful athletes wait for the moment their name is called in the professional draft. Years of training, sacrifice and preparation have led to that one moment. When their name is announced, the waiting ends. They are no longer preparing, they are sent onto the field.

In a deeper way, Jesus called his disciples into something similar.

For three years they walked with him — learning, watching, praying and growing — but the goal was never just preparation. Before sending them out, Jesus said:

“As the Father has sent me, I am sending you” (John 20:21, NIV).

They were chosen, trained and then sent out to the world to share his message of hope.

Over the past 10 weeks, we have been preparing our hearts through prayer, asking God to move, draw people to himself and mobilize us in his mission. Now, as we reach the final days of this prayer journey, we pause to thank God for what he has done.

But gratitude is not the end of the story.

Just as an athlete’s preparation leads to the game, prayer prepares us to live on mission. God answers prayer not only by changing circumstances but also by shaping his people to be part of what he is doing.

Jesus still sends his followers into neighborhoods, teams, workplaces and friendships. We go with his Spirit, his love and his purpose.

As you finish the final days of this prayer guide, look back with gratitude and forward with faith. Thank God for how he has worked. Ask him to continue shaping your life of prayer.

And step forward ready to live a life on mission.

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How have you seen God move during this season of prayer?

Prayer Prompt:

- Take time to reflect on the prayers you began with in week one. How have you seen God at work in your heart, your relationships or the lives of others?
- "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever" (Psalm 107:1, NIV).
- Thank God for what he has done, and be specific. Even small answers to prayer remind us that he is always at work. Ask him to grow your heart in gratitude for his faithfulness.

Prayer Tips

Prayer is a two-way conversation. After you speak, take a moment to sit in silence and ask, "Lord, is there anything you want to say to my heart today?"

How might God be inviting you to continue a life of prayer beyond these 75 days?

Prayer Prompt:

- [Prayer](#) is not meant to be something for only a short season or special event; it is the way we walk with God every day.
- Ask the Lord to help you build rhythms of prayer into your daily life. Where could prayer become more natural — in the morning, during a walk, before conversations or at the end of the day?
- Invite the Holy Spirit to keep drawing you back into conversation with God.

Who has God placed around you to partner with in his mission?

Prayer Prompt:

- God rarely sends people alone. Throughout Scripture, his mission moves forward through people who pray and serve together.
- Pray for friends, teammates, co-workers or family members who share a heart for people to know Jesus. Ask God to strengthen these relationships and unite you in his mission.
- Ask him to show you how you can encourage one another to live boldly for Christ.



Who has [influence or a platform](#) that could point others to Jesus?

Prayer Prompt:

- Some people influence thousands through public platforms. Others influence a few through daily relationships. Both matter deeply to God.
- Pray for athletes, creators, leaders and influencers who follow Jesus. Ask God to give them courage and humility as they live out their faith publicly.
- Pray that their lives, and their words, would help many people discover the hope of Christ.



What step of faith might God be inviting you to take today?

Prayer Prompt:

- Before sending his followers into the world, Jesus promised they would not go alone. His Spirit would be with them. "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19, NIV).
- Ask God for boldness to share his love in your daily life. Pray for sensitivity to the Spirit's leading and courage to respond when opportunities come.
- Ask the Lord to use your words, your actions and your relationships to help someone move closer to him today.

Next Steps

Thank you for journeying with us these past 75 days!

Share Your Story

We are so excited to hear how God has been moving in your life and community. If you have a story to share, please fill out the form on [this page](#).

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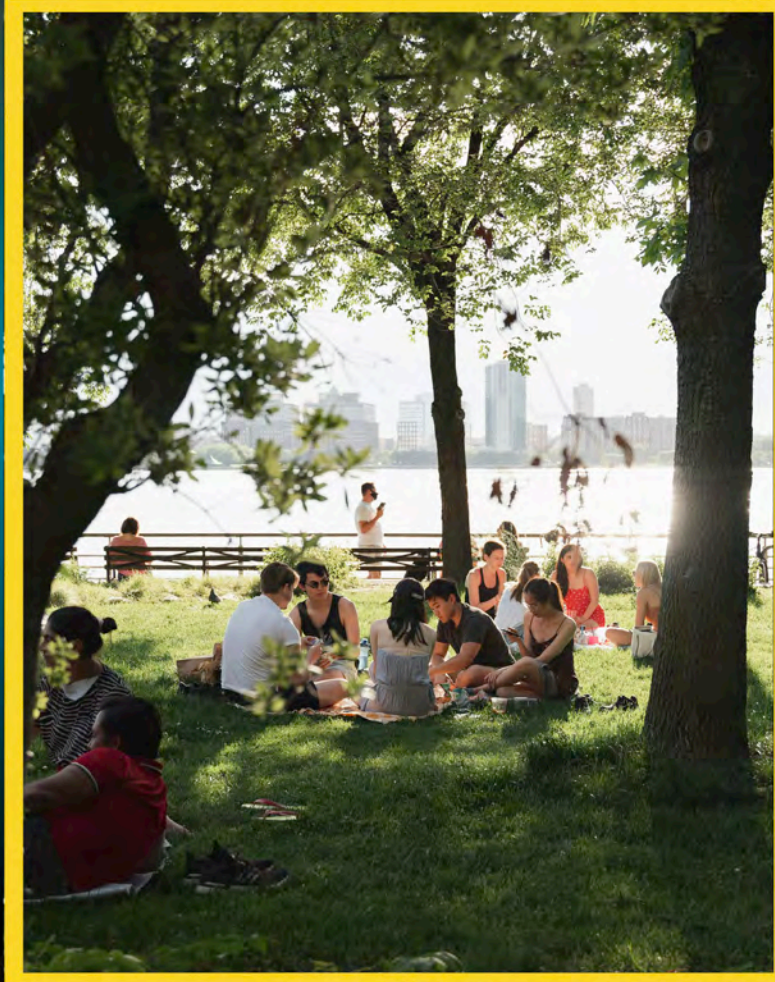
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