

Neighborhood Prayer Guide

Take time over the next few weeks to prayer over your PLACE (your home, your neighborhood, the people who reside there). You can do this in the form of praying while walking through your neighborhood or simply in the quiet of your own home. As you pray, here are 5 things to serve as a guide as you spend time with the Lord.

1. Give thanks.

- Thank the Lord for your place (your home, your neighborhood, His creation, and the people who reside there).
- Thank Him for the positive things that have happened there and the ways you have seen God at work.

Deuteronomy 8:10, "When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you."

2. Repent.

- Ask the Lord to bring to mind any collective sin of your place.
- Identify the areas that have been broken? What areas need healing?
- Confess and repent on behalf of your place, taking ownership for whatever was broken.
- Ask the Lord to restore relationships, rebuild, and to heal.

2 Chronicles 7:14 "and if My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

3. Pray for the people.

- Pray for the generations in your place (young ones, students, professionals, elderly).
- Pray for leaders, teachers, law enforcement, businesses, churches, etc.
- Pray for the needs. Ask the Lord to reveal needs that are unseen.
- Pray for God's kingdom of love to come and for people to be drawn to Himself.

Jeremiah 29:7 "Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf; for in its welfare you will have welfare."

4. Ask for fresh vision.

- Ask God to give you fresh vision for your home and for your neighborhood. Dream and imagine the "what ifs."
- Look around. Pay attention to where God might already be at work & what He may be inviting you into.

Psalms 127:1, "Unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain."

5. Respond with courage.

God has placed you in your neighborhood for a purpose. Often, the things the Lord may be calling us into will stretch us beyond our comfort zone.

- What are you sensing the Lord is asking from you? What sacrifices might you need to make?
- Take inventory. What do you have in your possession that could be of use to bless or heal your place?
- Pray that God will give you strength and courage to fulfill the mission He is giving you.

Joshua 1:9, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."