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Daniel 6:10

A YEAR OF PRAYER

WEEK 26

PRAYER OF PRAISE

(Jeremiah 23:24)

PRAISE GOD FOR HIS INFINITENESS

"Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD."

Jeremiah 23:24

God is an infinite being. He has no beginning and no end. He fills heaven and earth - yet, they cannot contain Him.

In prayer, let us seek to honor God in His infiniteness. Let us come before Him with humility and reverence, recognizing that He is greater than us - greater than we can ever imagine or understand. Yet, let us pray with boldness; for, God promises to hear and answer our prayers.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

(1 Corinthians 14:33)

PRAY FOR THE ORDER OF THE CHURCH

"For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints."

1 Corinthians 14:33

God is a God of order. He desires order among His people and in His church. This applies to the organization, worship, and teaching of the church. Things get out of order when men begin to do things their way instead of God's way.

Let us pray for the church - locally and worldwide. Pray that each congregation will be orderly in its worship and work. Pray that we may be at peace through unity in word and action. Pray that we may always desire to serve God in the way that He demands.

PRAYER FOR OTHERS

(Romans 13:1-7)

PRAY FOR THE MILITARY

"Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. ...For he is the minister of God to thee for good."

Romans 13:1, 4

Those who serve in law enforcement and in military duties are ministers of God. God desires justice upon the earth. He allows government as a means of executing and protecting justice. Our military serves to protect and defend our country and our freedoms - at great risk to themselves.

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Let us pray for our military. Pray that they may have safety in their daily work. Pray for the strength of their families. Especially remember those who have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty. Pray that there may be peace upon the earth.

PRAYER FOR PHYSICAL NEEDS

(John 16:23-27; 1 John 5:14-15)

PRAY FOR REQUESTS

"And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."

1 John 5:14-15

We may make our requests known to God. But, we must remember to pray in harmony with His will. He will provide that which is best for us. He will hear and answer our prayers.

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

(Matthew 20:25-28)

"And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Matthew 20:27-28

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL NEEDS

(Galatians 6:1; Ephesians 4:2; 1 Timothy 6:11)

PRAY FOR MEEKNESS

"But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness."

1 Timothy 6:11

Meekness refers to strength that is under control. It is not weakness. It is the strength of one's convictions displayed in a kind and gentle manner.

God is meek (cf. Matt. 11:29; 21:5; 2 Cor. 10:1). In spite of His tremendous power, He relates to man with kindness and mercy. Let us pray for meekness - that we will be strong but kind, unwavering but longsuffering.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

(Matthew 11:25-30; Luke 10:21-24)

"In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for it seemed good in thy sight."

Luke 10:21