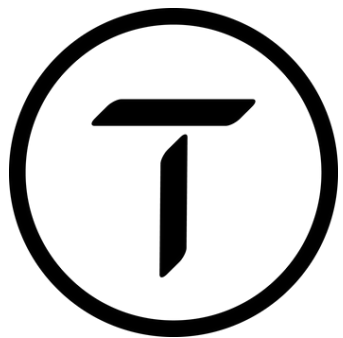


**MARCH 30 -
EASTER SUNDAY**

21 DAYS OF PRAYER



HOW TO USE THIS PRAYER GUIDE

God calls His people to pray. We know this. We understand this. But, do we really pray? Passionately? Fervently? Hopefully? David Platt has said, “The primary purpose in prayer is not to get something, but to know someone.” Prayer begins with an earnest desire to pursue God. As a church, we must pursue the Father.

Together we will spend the next twenty-one days, March 31 - April 20, praying together as God’s people at Thomasville First Baptist Church. We will begin by praying for churches and church planters in North America using the Annie Armstrong prayer guide (our church’s goal is to raise \$65,000 for the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering this year). Then, we will pray for our church, the saints at Thomasville First Baptist Church. Finally we will pray through Holy Week to prepare ourselves and our families for Easter Sunday.

HOW TO FAST

Also, as a means of seeking the Lord, we encourage you to supplement your prayer with fasting. Donald Whitney defines fasting simply as “abstinence from food for spiritual purposes.” You might fast one of the twenty-one days or you might fast one day each week. This will be a 24 hour fast. For example, you would skip two meals, so you would eat Thursday dinner and not eat again until Friday dinner. We encourage you to not fast on a Sunday though. Sundays, especially Easter Sunday, are days of celebration as we remember the resurrection of Jesus.

All fasts are primarily about God. John Piper writes, “Christian fasting at its root, is the hunger of a homesickness for God.” When we fast, we ought to desire God more than what we seek from God through the fast. We fast as an expression of our hunger for God more than we hunger for the food God made us to live on.

If for medical reasons you are unable to fast from food, consider fasting from social media, television, or something else to help you fix your eyes on Jesus.

For more advice on fasting, read the article, “A Guide to Christian Fasting.”

<https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/fasting-for-beginners>

A GUIDE TO CHRISTIAN FASTING



MARCH 31

THE REAL JESUS

Provo, Utah

“You should hear them sing.”

That’s one of the first things David Gaskins tells people when they ask about Mosaic Church in Provo, Utah, where he and his wife, Sara, serve as church planting missionaries. “Every Sunday, it brings me to tears,” David says. “The voices are just thunder in that room because so many of our people have lost everything for Jesus.

According to David, Provo, home to Brigham Young University, is the “heartbeat and hub” of the worldwide Mormon church. “Planting a church here is obviously a tall order,” says David. “But we love Mormons and want them to believe in the real Jesus. That’s why we came.”

Four years after its launch, Mosaic is now a loud-singing congregation made up largely of young, onetime Mormons who are paying a price for their response to the gospel. “When somebody here leaves the Mormon church, it’s a really big deal,” says David. “They lose their job. They get shunned by their family. This church is all they have, and that’s why they sing loudly. They’ve found the real Jesus, and they’re never going back.”

PRAY FOR

- God to call more missionaries who will share the gospel with people in Utah.
- Wisdom, humility, and boldness for David and the other pastors at Mosaic Church.
- God to grow David and Sara closer together while they live and serve in a difficult place.

APRIL 1

LET US DO GOOD

Flint, Michigan

It was not the answer they expected to hear.

When God called Leo and Miosha Robinson to start a church, they walked the streets of their low-income Flint, Michigan, neighborhood and asked people, “What do you need?”

The unexpected answer was a laundromat. “Single moms told us that if they wanted to do laundry, they would have to take a bus across town,” Leo says. “It would take most of the day and sometimes cost over a hundred dollars. Kids would not go to school and people would miss work just because they did not have clean clothes. These families were having to choose between laundry or keeping the water on in their home.”

That’s why shortly after the Robinsons started Good Church in Flint, they opened a low-cost laundromat in the lower level of their church. Now, Good Laundry is not only meeting a need, it’s creating opportunities to share the gospel. “God said do good to all people,” Leo says, “and that’s how He grew this church. Now we see baptisms and kingdom moments happen--all because of a laundromat. Isn’t that amazing?”

PRAY FOR

- The development and discipleship of new leaders at Good Church.
- People in Flint who have experienced pain and trauma, that Good Church would be able to meet them with the hope of the gospel.
- The large number of teenagers in the neighborhood who are hearing the gospel for the first time.

APRIL 2

GOSPEL DEVELOPMENT

Sneads Ferry, North Carolina

Joshua Brown's congregation is probably not like your congregation. "We have snipers, we have amphibious assault, and we have intel," Joshua says. "This isn't just a military community. This is a special operations community. And that's a whole other dynamic."

Joshua and Brittany Brown started Pillar Church of Topsail just outside Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, one of the most fertile settings in North America for evangelism and church planting. "These people in special operations face death-defying situations all the time," Joshua says. "So having conversations about where they're going to spend eternity is a very natural thing for us."

Now, Joshua is not only having gospel conversations and baptizing new believers, but, as the military deploys and reassigns people in their congregation, his new church is sending out disciples who can share Christ in places many civilians will never go. "These people are highly motivated," he says. "We inject the gospel into them, and when the military sends them out, they're primed and ready to spread that gospel around the world."

PRAY FOR

- A team being sent out to plant Pillar Church of Fayetteville, near Fort Liberty (formerly Fort Bragg).
- God to call more church planters who can reach other underserved military communities.
- God to raise up new leaders at Pillar Church of Topsail as current leaders are deployed or reassigned.

APRIL 3

MARRIED TO THE MARINES

Sneads Ferry, North Carolina

“There’s a saying in the Marine Corps,” Brittany Brown says, “that if the Marines wanted you to have a wife, they would’ve issued you one in boot camp.”

Brittany knows all too well the humor and hard truth behind this saying. Her husband, Joshua, was an active-duty Marine for 20 years. That’s why she knew what her role would be when they planted Pillar Church of Topsail, right outside Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. “My desire is to constantly be reaching women,” she says, “because with all the deployments and the constant moving from place to place, I don’t think the average person understands the stress there is on the military spouse.”

For Brittany and Joshua, reaching military wives means day-to-day ministry often looks different than for other church planting couples. “We help a lot of families whose husbands and dads are gone,” Brittany says. “We mow lawns, or, if something’s broken, we help fix it. These wives desperately need practical help and community. This is our opportunity to tangibly share the gospel with them.”

PRAY FOR

- Acts of kindness and service to be done in such a way that gospel conversations will naturally occur.
- The people at Pillar Church of Topsail to find and connect with lost families in their community.
- Families who leave Pillar Church of Topsail when they are reassigned to other military bases, that they will find caring churches where they can grow in community.

APRIL 4

CONNECTING THE DOTS

Langley, British Columbia

Everything in their lives led to this. But Christian and Laura Rowland might not have realized that when they began planting a church in Langley, British Columbia, a Vancouver suburb with a diverse ethnic population and a desperate need for gospel witness. “When we moved here,” Christian says, “we were just trying to figure out, ‘Where do we start?’” Fortunately for them, God had already started long before they arrived.

Christian and Laura both grew up in foreign countries. As college students, they participated in GenSend, a North American Mission Board program that puts young people on the mission field alongside church planters. They were sent to Vancouver. Then, shortly after they were married, their church in Texas announced plans to plant a new church in Vancouver.

“We grew up overseas just like so many people here, then we did GenSend here, and we ended up in a congregation called to plant here,” Christian says. “So we can look back and say, ‘Oh, that’s God.’”

“Now people are coming to the Lord here,” Laura says. “And we can see this was all part of His sovereign unfolding plan.”

PRAY FOR

- Continued unity as New Song Community Church experiences growth.
- The resources Christian and Laura need to do ministry in one of North America’s most expensive metro areas.
- Encounters that lead to gospel conversations.

APRIL 5

ON THE BORDER

Laredo, Texas

It might be the most unique classroom in all of North America. That's how Osvaldo and Vanessa Lerma describe the Send Relief Ministry Center in Laredo, Texas. Located just a few miles from the U.S.-Mexico border, this is where the Lermas bring volunteers for hands-on refugee ministry experience.

“We minister alongside churches that have been called to share Christ with hurting people,” Vanessa says, “by introducing them to refugees who are coming to the U.S. to legally seek asylum. We’re always amazed at what refugees go through to come here. They left behind horrible poverty and violence. Some of them walk for weeks or even months.

The Lermas pair up mission teams with Laredo churches and a local respite center. “We all work together to provide tangible help including meals, hygiene kits, and a safe place to rest and to shower,” Osvaldo says. “But most importantly, we tell hurting people how they can find hope in Jesus.”

For mission teams, this is an opportunity to be on the front lines of refugee ministry and be the hands and feet of Jesus. “All churches are called to be compassionate,” Osvaldo says. “We’re here to help them see how God might lead them to start compassion ministries in their own communities.

PRAY FOR

- Osvaldo and Vanessa’s endurance as they serve refugees in Laredo in this challenging time.
- Mission teams to learn lessons in Laredo that will make them more effective gospel witnesses in their own communities.
- Refugees who are resettled elsewhere, that they may be connected with local churches who will compassionately share the love of Christ with them.

APRIL 6

CIRCUIT RIDERS

Bar Nunn, Wyoming

Nothingness. When most people drive any direction out of Bar Nunn, Wyoming, that's what they see. "There are no stores, no houses," says Tyler Martin. "If you have half a tank, you better fill up because there's not a gas station for a while."

Yet when Tyler and Ashley Martin moved to Bar Nunn as church planting missionaries, they saw something in all that nothing. "In Wyoming, there are 203 places - mostly small towns - you can have as a mailing address. More than 60 of those don't have a church of any kind. And God told us, 'Those people need the gospel too.'" That something became Outfitter Church.

Now, Tyler is training men in Outfitter Church to go to all those small, out-of-the-way places. "Wyoming is so spread out, and we have so few resources that church planters have to come from our congregation," he says. "So, we're creating circuit preaching teams that will plant churches all over the state."

Where others see nothing, Tyler, Ashley, and the congregation of Outfitter Church continue to see something. "Towns that have never had a church - ever in their history," Tyler says, "now we're going to get the gospel to them."

PRAY FOR

- God to raise up more men at Outfitter Church to take the gospel to more unchurched communities.
- The endurance and perseverance required to start and grow church plants in remote, hard-to-get-to places.
- Other churches in Wyoming to recognize and respond to the gospel needs around them.

APRIL 7

THE OTHER SIDE

Bar Nunn, Wyoming

Sometimes, Trent Fetherston thinks about what might've been. "I'm luck I'm alive," he says. "If Tyler and Ashley wouldn't have come, I don't know where I'd be." Trent's talking about Tyler and Ashley Martin, church planting missionaries who moved to Bar Nunn, Wyoming, several years ago and serve the community through Outfitter Church. "Back then, everybody knew Trent," Tyler says. "Yeah, you could name any bar around here," says Trent, "and I've been kicked out of it."

Bar Nunn, population 2,986 doesn't have lots of event space. That's why Outfitter Church meets at the Hangar, a local bar and grill. "It's interesting," Trent says. "A window divides the space. We worship on one side while people on the other side watch from the bar."

One Sunday morning, a curious Trent Fetherston walked over to the other side of The Hangar. It's the best decision he ever made. "Tyler preached the gospel," he says, "and I was born again." Trent is now one of more than 60 new believers who have been baptized at Outfitter Church. "My life has changed," Trent says. "And I owe that all to Tyler and Ashley answering God's call."

PRAY FOR

- Trent's expressed desire to one day help plant and pastor new churches in Wyoming.
- Encouragers who can build up Tyler and Ashley as they serve in an isolated, unchurched place.
- A dedicated facility where Outfitter Church can meet and do ministry.

APRIL 8

LOVE

“And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more...” Philippians 1:9

Jesus said that all people would know we are his disciples by our love for one another (John 13:35). Let us pray that the saints at Thomasville First Baptist Church would abound in love for one another.

PRAY FOR

- Pray that the love of Christ will grow and abound in the hearts of every member of your church.
- Ask God to deepen the love that members have for one another, that it would be a reflection of His unconditional love for us.
- Pray for the church to love others not only in word but also in action—especially in times of difficulty and challenge.
- Ask God to help the church love people the way Christ loved us, selflessly and sacrificially.

Sample Prayer: "Lord, I lift up our church today, and I pray that our love for one another will grow more and more. Help us to love like You do, with depth and sincerity. May our love be rooted in Your Word and overflowing with knowledge and understanding. Teach us how to love each other selflessly, whether in times of joy or trial. In Jesus' name, Amen."

APRIL 9

KNOWLEDGE & DISCERNMENT

“And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more with knowledge and all discernment...” Philippians 1:9

Jesus prayed, “And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent” (John 17:3). The goal of prayer and eternal life is God Himself. Let us pray that the saints at Thomasville First Baptist Church would grow in their knowledge of God and His Word.

PRAY FOR

- Pray that the members of our church will grow in their knowledge of God’s Word.
- Ask God to deepen the understanding of His will, that the church may be wise in making decisions, living according to His truth, and serving others.
- Pray for spiritual discernment in all areas of life—at home, at work, and in relationships.
- Ask God to reveal more of Himself to the church, filling each person with a hunger for the Scriptures and a desire to live according to His will.

Sample Prayer: "God, I pray for an increase in knowledge and wisdom within our church. May each person be filled with a deeper understanding of Your Word and Your will for their lives. Give us discernment and insight into the challenges we face. Teach us to make decisions that honor You and to live according to Your truth. In Jesus’ name, Amen."

APRIL 10

GODLINESS

“And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ to the glory and praise of God.” Philippians 1:9-11

Jesus said “You therefore must be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect” (Matthew 5:48). By God’s grace, He has made us righteous, and by God’s grace we will walk in godliness. Let us pray that the saints at Thomasville First Baptist Church would grow in imitating our heavenly Father.

PRAY FOR

- Pray that the members of our church will live lives that are pure and blameless before God, reflecting Christ's character.
- Ask God to cultivate the fruit of the Spirit in the lives of His people, especially love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
- Pray that your church will desire to live in a way that brings glory to God, representing His holiness in every aspect of life.
- Ask God to help our church discern what is best and make choices that reflect godliness.

Sample Prayer: "Heavenly Father, I pray for godliness in our church. Help each member to discern what is best and live a life that is pure and blameless before You. May Your fruit of righteousness be evident in our lives. Fill us with Your Spirit, that we may live in a way that brings You glory and reflects the character of Christ. In Jesus' name, Amen."

APRIL 11

UNITY

“So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.” Philippians 2:1-4

Jesus prayed that His disciples would be one even as He and the Father are one (John 17:11). Let us pray that the saints at Thomasville First Baptist Church would stand firm in one spirit, striving side by side for the faith of the gospel (Philippians 1:27).

PRAY FOR

- Pray for deep unity within your church family, that members will be of one mind and spirit in serving the Lord.
- Ask God to bind the church together with love and compassion, helping each person to value others above themselves.
- Pray that selfish ambition or pride will not divide the church, but that the unity of the Spirit will prevail in all things.
- Ask God to create an atmosphere of humility, where people consider the needs of others before their own.
- Pray for the unity of each family within our church, that God would strengthen marriages and help us to teach our children to love the Lord.

Sample Prayer: "Lord, I pray for unity within our church body. May we be united in Christ, sharing the same love and spirit, with one mind and purpose. Remove selfishness and pride, and help us to humble ourselves, valuing others above our own interests. May our church and our homes be a place where love, compassion, and humility thrive. In Jesus' name, Amen."

APRIL 12

ENDURANCE

“Only let us hold true to what we have attained...Therefore my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.” Philippians 3:16, 4:1

Jesus said “Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing” (John 15:5). Let us pray that the saints at Thomasville First Baptist Church would not grow weary in doing good (Galatians 6:9).

PRAY FOR

- Pray for endurance for our church as it faces challenges, temptations, and trials. Ask God to strengthen every member to stand firm in the faith.
- Pray that the church will continue to pursue spiritual maturity and growth, pressing on toward the goal of Christlikeness.
- Ask God to help the church maintain joy and faithfulness in times of difficulty, trusting in God’s strength to sustain them.
- Pray for perseverance in the mission and vision of the church, that it will remain steadfast in advancing the gospel.

Sample Prayer: "Father, I pray for endurance for our church as we face trials and challenges. Help us to stand firm in the Lord, no matter the difficulties we may face. Strengthen our resolve to live for You and to press on toward the goal of Christlikeness. May we remain steadfast in our faith and joyful in our journey, knowing that You are with us. In Jesus’ name, Amen."

APRIL 13

PALM SUNDAY

“O LORD, our LORD, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.” Psalm 8:1-2

Jesus quoted this Psalm after His triumphal entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-17). The King of majesty came humble and mounted on a donkey. His arrival prompted the children to cry out in the temple, praising Him.

PRAY FOR

- Praise God for His majesty and glory revealed in creation.
- Praise God for how he exalts and associates with the lowly.
- Ask God to help you imitate the humility of Jesus in your own life and in your home.
- Ask God to help you encourage the children in your life to worship King Jesus.
- Ask God to help you remember daily His rule and authority over all creation.

Sample Prayer: “Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! As we begin Holy Week, I praise You for Your greatness and the humility of Jesus as He entered Jerusalem. Help me to honor You in humility as King of my life. And help me to call all others to join me in giving glory and honor to You. Amen.”

APRIL 14

HOLY MONDAY

“I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.” Psalm 118:21-24

Jesus quoted this Psalm while He taught parables in the temple (Matthew 21:33-46). Jesus is the rejected Son through Him we also have been made children of God. Jesus is the rejected stone, but now the cornerstone of our faith.

PRAY FOR

- Thank God for the mercy you have received through Jesus’ death on your behalf.
- Ask God to reveal to you the little ways you continue to struggle against His goodness so that you may not be like the Pharisees.
- Thank God for the new life you have through Jesus’ resurrection.
- Pray for a heart of continual thanksgiving and gratitude for God’s salvation.

Sample Prayer: "God, thank You for the victory over sin and death through Jesus. Reveal to me the evil intentions of my own heart that I may continually repent of sin and pursue godliness. Thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, who was rejected but is now our Savior. I give You thanks for the salvation You have freely given. Amen."

APRIL 15

HOLY TUESDAY

“The LORD says to my Lord: ‘Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.’” Psalm 110:1

Jesus quoted this Psalm after He asked the Pharisees this question: “What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?” (Matthew 21:33-46). Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, to whom has been given authority over all the nations of the earth. Consider the final authority of Jesus and what it means that, “He will execute judgment among the nations,” (Psalm 110:6).

PRAY FOR

- Ask God to help you submit to the rule of Christ in your own life.
- Lift up to God a concern you have regarding national or international politics. Then acknowledge and rest in the supreme authority of the Lord Jesus.
- Pray “for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way” (1 Timothy 2:2).
- Ask God to help you trust in and fear His sovereignty and not the temporary authority of any person.

Sample Prayer: "Lord Jesus, You are our eternal King, seated at the right hand of God. Thank You for the authority You hold over all things. I submit to Your reign in my life. Give our earthly leaders wisdom that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life. Help me to fear You alone and no earthly ruler. Amen."

APRIL 16

HOLY WEDNESDAY

“All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me. They say, ‘A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies.’ Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me...By this I know that you delight in me: my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.” Psalm 41:7-9, 11

Judas agreed to betray Jesus on Wednesday. Jesus quoted this Psalm at the Lord’s Supper on Thursday in reference to Judas. Jesus fulfilled the words of the psalmist who placed his confidence in God when his enemies, even his close friend, imagined the worst for him.

PRAY FOR

- Thank God for the suffering Jesus endured for our healing.
- Thank God for the hatred Jesus experienced for our reconciliation.
- Pray for your enemies by name, and ask God to help you love them.
- Ask for protection from spiritual attacks and physical illness.

Sample Prayer: "Lord, thank You for the reconciliation You have brought about through the betrayal Jesus experienced. Thank You for the healing You have provided through the suffering of Jesus. Please provide the same healing and reconciliation for my enemies, and help me to love them as you have commanded me to. Protect me from the evil one, sin, and sickness. Amen.

APRIL 17

MAUNDY THURSDAY

“What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD, I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.”
Psalm 116:12-15

This psalm belongs to a collection of psalms associated with the Passover (Psalms 113-118). It's very possible Jesus and His disciples would have sung this psalm at the Lord's Supper. We join in singing praise to God for His deliverance through the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (John 1:29). As often as we eat the bread and drink the cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

PRAY FOR

- Thank God for specific spiritual and physical blessings in your life.
- Express to God your gratitude for Jesus' body broken for you and His blood shed for you.
- Renew to God your commitment to deny self, pick up your cross daily, and follow Jesus (Luke 9:23).
- Praise God for the resurrection which gives us the hope of eternal life.

Sample Prayer: "Thank You, Lord, for providing my daily needs. Thank You also for making me alive together with Christ. Thank you for the body and blood of Jesus given for me. I commit today, by God's grace, to deny myself, pick up my cross, and follow Jesus. I praise You, because You have defeated the grave, and I long with eager anticipation for the day of Christ's return. Amen.

APRIL 18

GOOD FRIDAY

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?...a company of evildoers encircle me; they have pierced my hands and feet...they divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots...All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.” Psalm 22:1, 16, 18, 27

Jesus quoted Psalm 22 on the cross (Matthew 27:46). In fact, each of the Gospel writers point our attention to Psalm 22. Jesus endured immense suffering on the cross, bearing our sin and shame. Psalm 22 concludes with confident hope in God’s victory. Jesus’ lament on the cross was genuine agony and at the same time a declaration of victory.

PRAY FOR

- Honestly acknowledge before God any current suffering you are experiencing.
- Thank God for the suffering of Jesus, which will put an end to all suffering.
- Pray for a deeper understanding of the cost of our salvation.
- Identify with Jesus in His death by confessing any sin in your life.

Sample Prayer: "Lord, I am suffering and I long for You to deliver me from my suffering. Thank You for Your Son who suffered because of me and on my behalf. Help me to remember the cross of Christ and what my sin has cost. I confess my sin and rest in the promise of your forgiveness."

APRIL 19

HOLY SATURDAY

“The LORD is my Shepherd; I shall not want...Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.” Psalm 23:1, 4

We often talk about Christ’s death and resurrection, but we do not often consider the significance of His burial. Through his burial, Christ proclaimed victory over death and the grave. Even though we die, we too will be raised with Christ. Holy Saturday reminds us to trust our Good Shepherd in all circumstances, even the valley of the shadow of death.

PRAY FOR

- Acknowledge the Lord as your Shepherd.
- Ask God to provide for your needs and thank God for all the ways that He has blessed you.
- Express your trust in God in the circumstances of life that you are now in, whether peaceful or uncertain.
- Thank God for protecting you and delivering you from evil, especially in the ways that you have been unaware of God’s protection.

Sample Prayer: "Lord, You are my Shepherd, and I trust in Your protection and provision. Thank you for walking ahead, behind, and with me in every season of life. I trust you even now. Thank you for all the evils from which you have protected me and for every time you have delivered me through evil. I know you will guide me safely to the other side. Amen."

APRIL 20

EASTER SUNDAY

“I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption. You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.”

The Apostle Peter quotes this psalm in light of Jesus’ resurrection as evidence of His identity as both Lord and Christ (Acts 2:24-36). This Jesus “whom you crucified” is risen indeed. Having respond in repentance and faith, we received the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

PRAY FOR

- Praise God for the resurrection of Jesus, our victory over sin and death.
- Acknowledge Christ as Lord over every sphere of your life and all of creation.
- Thank God for the forgiveness of sin - not just sin in general but for the forgiveness of specific sin in your life.
- Thank God for the gift of the Holy Spirit who guides you into truth and empowers you to walk in godliness.

Sample Prayer: "I praise You, Lord, for the resurrection of Jesus today! I submit to Your Lordship over every aspect of my life. Thank You for the forgiveness of my sin and the gift of Your Holy Spirit. May I be filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Your Spirit so that I may know more and more the joy of being made like You. Amen."