

## Together in Prayer

A prayer guide to help individuals prepare their hearts for outreach around He Gets Us. Ten daily prayer prompts are designed to ask for gentle hearts to share the message of Jesus, a willingness to meet people where they are at, and pray that the He Gets Us campaign stirs those who see it to curiosity about Jesus.

As Christ-followers, we are invited to participate in the mission of making God's great name known among the nations. This guide leads your congregation through prayers boldly proclaiming their continual need for Jesus and for courage, as well as opportunities to share with others how He has changed their lives.

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## Preparing Our Hearts

Starting tomorrow and over the next 10 days, follow these daily prayer prompts and encouraging scriptures. These are short, helping to prepare you, your church, and the hearts of those who are seeing the He Gets Us media. These are meant to be made your own, so pray according to how you feel led.

Father, when I live for you, I glow. Keep me from hiding your glorious light from the rest of the world. Help me to shine bright for all to see, so they may know you better. Amen.

" 'You are the light of the world.
A town built on a hill cannot be hidden.' "

**MATTHEW 5:14** 



Lord, I am grateful to have a savior who has experienced the same human challenges that I face today. I pray that your love will sustain me and shine through me — despite my anxiety, fear, and loneliness. Amen.

"Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, 'Sit here while I go over there and pray.' He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, 'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.' Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, 'My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.' Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. 'Couldn't you men keep watch with me for one hour?' he asked Peter. 'Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.' He went away a second time and prayed, 'My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done.' When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy. So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing. Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour has come, and the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!' "

**MATTHEW 26:36-46** 



Lord, the conflict and uncertainty of this human experience are designed to distract me from pursuing your love. Help me commit my mind and my words to share your love and mercy with others. Amen.

" 'No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money. Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you — you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?" For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own."

**MATTHEW 6:24-34** 



Dear God, thank you for the opportunity to be used to further the Gospel of Jesus. Prepare my heart to be used by you and to be ready to gently speak about who Jesus really is. I know I don't need all the answers or the words, as you call me to love those in my daily walk. Help me to love like Jesus as you stir the hearts of those who see these messages to be curious. Help me to be confident, kind, and above all, a loving and accepting example of who Jesus is. Amen.

"'Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.'"

**JOHN 14:27** 

Lord, I pray for all of us seeking you — for our hearts and our perseverance. I pray that when we encounter your followers that we will be met by ambassadors of your radical love. Amen.

" 'For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.' "

**MATTHEW 7:8** 

Lord, I am so grateful to experience your love continually. Help me see opportunities to serve someone with sacrificial generosity today so that they might experience your love through me. Amen.

" 'My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.' "

**JOHN 15:12** 



Lord, I have not always represented you well to those who don't know you. Help me to love them the way you do. I want to be known for sharing your love with others. Amen.

" 'By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.' "

**JOHN 13:35** 

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Lord, thank you for never giving up on me. Please give me the grace to have that same attitude toward everyone I meet. Amen.

" 'Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, "Let me take the speck out of your eye," when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.' "

**MATTHEW 7:1-5** 



Lord, though I sometimes feel drawn into the battles of this culture war, help me rise above the divisive issues of the day to represent unconditional love for all of humankind. Amen.

" 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.' "

MATTHEW 5:9

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Lord, I am an imperfect vessel of your perfect love. You never judged me or condemned me for my sins. Thank you for entrusting me with your perfect love for others. Help me to avoid judging people or condemning people, but let me be ready to share your love with them in every moment. Amen.

"One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: 'Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other criminal rebuked him. 'Don't you fear God,' he said, 'since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' Jesus answered him, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.' "

LUKE 23:39-43

Lord, thank you for making me an ambassador of your love, grace, and forgiveness. Let my words and my actions only bring life and life more abundantly in every human interaction. Amen.

" 'The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.' "

**JOHN 10:10**