



Lord, we look up and see the billions of stars you created, and we praise you. We look around and see the billions of people you created in your image; uniquely, fearfully, wonderfully made, and we thank You. Wrap us in your Spirit and unite us in your family, Lord.

Thank you for loving us first. In your love for the whole world, you sent your Son to save us.

Jesus, in you alone we have abundant and everlasting life. Thank you for teaching and leading us to reflect your love to those around us. Help us follow your example to bind up the broken-hearted and share your gift of hope, freedom, and love to everyone we meet. In your life, death, resurrection, and ascension you showed us your love for us. You have freed us from the penalty and shame of our sin; free to live life, reflecting your love and purpose to the world.

Spirit, search us and show us our weaknesses so we can repent and commit ourselves to follow you. Please cleanse, fill, and send us. We rejoice, knowing that Your forgiveness makes us acceptable and effective vessels for your love, life, and liberty wherever and whenever we interact with others.

We pray that America will be united in love and that we will each serve you with all of our heart, in all of our ways, and through all of our days. Unite us in prayer, help us to love others and guide us to live and walk by the Spirit. Conform and transform us as we pray and proclaim, "Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty."

We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Join us in prayer
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at 10 am, 2 pm, or
6 pm on May 6.

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THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021



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FAMILY

SPIRIT OF THE LORD, HELP US

Ephesians 3:14-19 Prompt every family to kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. Strengthen the families of our nation with your power, through your Spirit. Help them become rooted and grounded in love, filled up to all the fullness of God.

Acts 17:24-28 Remind us to be thankful that you gave us life and breath. Urge our families to draw closer to You and one another. Make our families instruments of your love and reflections of your presence in the communities where we live.

Colossians 3:13-14 Give us the strength and wisdom to forgive each other. Heal our families and restore broken relationships. Remind us of our own imperfections and give us the compassion to reach out in love to each other.

CHURCH

SPIRIT OF THE LORD, FILL US

Ephesians 4:3-6 Help us work diligently to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, knowing there is one body and one Spirit. Remind us that we are called to one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Galatians 6:10 Unite us in love, bring churches together to share the good news of your love, to do justice, and bring love, life and liberty throughout their communities.

Psalms 33:1-5 Let us sing and serve skillfully with shouts of joy. Help us work and worship in accordance with your purpose. Remind us that you love righteousness and justice.

WORKPLACE

GOD, WORK THROUGH US

Colossians 3:23 Please shape our attitude and energy in the workplace until we work as if we were working directly for you. Help us complete our tasks with honesty, integrity, and fairness.

1 Cor. 15:58 Remind us to always give ourselves fully to the work of the Lord, knowing that our labor in the Lord is not in vain.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 Allow us to rely on your Word and to seek your wisdom in all we do. May we rely on you, as your servants, to be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

EDUCATION

GOD, HELP US LEARN

Isaiah 1:17 Give us courage to learn to do right, seek justice, defend the oppressed, take up the cause of the fatherless, and plead the case of the widow.

Colossians 1:9 Fill us with the knowledge of God's will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives.

Psalms 119:73 Since your hands have made us and formed us, give us understanding to learn your commands and put our hope in your words.

MILITARY

JESUS, GIVE US STRENGTH AND COMPASSION

Psalms 91:1-2 Protect the members of our military as they serve our nation with dedication and commitment. Help them rely on you to be their refuge and their source of strength.

Isaiah 41:10 Draw close to our soldiers and the people who lead them, strengthen them, and remind them of your presence. Uphold them with your righteous hand and let them be examples of your compassion and love.

Philippians 4:19 Help us care for our wounded soldiers, being your hands and feet as we love and minister to them. God, please meet their needs according to the riches of your glory.

GOVERNMENT

SPIRIT, GUIDE OUR GOVERNING LEADERS

Isaiah 11:1-5 Fill our elected and appointed leaders with the Spirit of wisdom and understanding as they lead us to live together, cooperate with one another, and treat each other with love, dignity, and compassion.

Psalms 33:12 Show us how to be good and godly citizens, serving together under your leadership to become a country filled with people who value life, love, and liberty.

Psalms 89:14 Help us partner with our leaders to build foundations of justice and righteousness to undergird our nation, following your path of love and faithfulness.

ART, MEDIA, & ENTERTAINMENT

GOD, GUIDE THE MEMBERS OF THIS INFLUENTIAL INDUSTRY

1 Peter 4:10 Teach us to discover ways to work together, using the gifts you have given to inspire the creativity, performance and content of writers, entertainers, artists, and the media.

Isaiah 26:7-9 Lead us to pray for wisdom, discernment, and creativity for all of those who work in on every set, studio, and stage in our nation. Help their audiences hear and see beauty and truth.

Ephesians 4:25 Help us pray that Christ-followers would speak truth in love and act with compassion, helping people find opportunities to share hope and truth as they work in industries related to Art, Media & Entertainment.

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