Tabernacle Prayer

(Ephesians 6:18 GW, Exodus 25:8-9 NLT, Exodus 33:11 NLT)

- The Outer Court: Give God <u>thanks</u>. (Psalm 100:4)
 Think of a fresh reason to thank God. You can write down a list, sing your own song of praise, or just spend time reflecting on your gratitude and praise toward God.
- 2. The Brazen Altar: Focus on the Cross. (Psalm 103:2-5)
 Thank God for the gift of Jesus. Thank Jesus for His sacrifice and love. Let the power of the cross and what it means settle in your spirit. In addition to expressing your gratitude, claim the power of transformation and healing that the cross of Jesus has in your life. The cross provides us with five major benefits:
 - Salvation—God forgives all my sins
 - Healing—God heals all my diseases
 - Redemption—God rescues me and restores me
 - Transformation—God changes me into His likeness
 - Blessing—God provides everything I need
- 3. The Laver: Offer every part of my life to God. (Romans 12:1, Psalm 139:23-24)

Because of Jesus' sacrifice, we can confess our sins to Him and receive complete forgiveness and a fresh start. In prayer, humbly and sincerely turn away from your sins and allow God to cleanse and renew you. Then, surrender your attitude, heart, and mind to Him. Romans 12:1 directs us to offer our bodies as living sacrifices. Take a moment to reflect on the list below and submit each area as an offering to God:

- My Eyes—What I Look At
- My Ears—What I Listen To
- My Mind—What I Think About
- My Tongue—What I Speak About
- My Hands—What I Do
- 4. The Candlestick: Invite the work of the <u>Holy Spirit</u> in my life. (Isaiah 11:2)

When Jesus left the earth, Christians were given the gift of the Holy Spirit. God calls the Holy Spirit our "Advocate." We cannot do what He has called us to do without His supernatural power. It is through His Holy Spirit that God comforts us, guides us, and empowers us. Pray that you will operate daily in the Fruit of the Spirit: (Galatians 5:22-23)

Love	Joy	Peace	Patience	Kindness
Goodness	Faithfulness	Gentleness	Self-control	

- 5. The Table of Shewbread: Feed on <u>God's Word</u> and use it as a weapon against the enemy. (Matthew 4:4, Ephesians 6:10-18)
 - Take time to read and think about the Word.
 - Claim God's promises for your life and the world around you.
 - Ask Him for fresh revelation of His Word.
 - Ask Him for a Word to help you as you go through your day.
 - Ask Him to show you how to apply His Word in your life.
- 6. The Altar of Incense: Worship His Name. (Proverbs 18:10) Thank God for making His presence available to you. Praise His names and worship Him personally and specifically for who He is and how He has moved in your life.
 - JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU—My Righteousness (Jeremiah 23:6)
 - JEHOVAH-MEKODDISHKEM—My Sanctifier (Lev. 20:7-8)
 - JEHOVAH-RAPHA—My Healer (Exodus 15:26)
 - JEHOVAH-JIREH—My Provider (Genesis 22:14)
 - JEHOVAH-NISSI—My Banner of Victory (Exodus 17:15)
 - JEHOVAH-SHALOM—My Peace (Judges 6:24)
 - JEHOVAH-RAAH—My Shepherd (Psalm 23:1)
 - JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH—My Present Help (Ezekiel 48:35)
- 7. The Ark of the Covenant: Intercede for others.

(1 Timothy 2:1-2, James 4:8)

We can make a difference when we spend time praying for others. Pray for:

- The lost those far from God
- Those in authority leaders in church, government, family, workplace/school
- Those who are experiencing hardship those suffering, the poor, the widowed, and the weak
- My family both immediate and extended family members
- My church pastors, Small Group leaders, members, and missionaries
- My community people in my city, nation, and world
- My relationships friends, coworkers, and acquaintances
- My adversaries those with whom I disagree

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