



### Third Day of the Month

Prayer One based on Deuteronomy 4:29-31 (MSG)

*God my Father, You tell us that when we seek You with our whole heart we will find You. Help me to seek You out today, to watch for where You are at work and where I can join in that work. You are a merciful God who does not forget His promises to me. Thank You so much. Amen.*

Prayer Two based on Joshua 22:5 (MSG)

*Lord Jesus, I want to be very careful to keep Your commandments and laws--to love the Lord with all my heart, to walk in Your ways, to obey Your commands and hold fast to You. Help me to serve You with all my heart, mind and strength today. Amen.*

### Fourth Day of the Month

Prayer One based on Judges 5:2 (MSG)

*Lord, we are told the people "volunteered with abandon." I give myself wholeheartedly to You today. There are times for excited, wild abandon in praise and I allow myself the freedom to praise You with abandon today. You are great! You are good! Praise You, Lord! Amen.*

Prayer Two based on Ruth 1:16-17 (MSG)

*Father, as Ruth shared her devotion to Naomi, I too share my devotion to You. Your people are my people. You are my God. Nothing, not even death itself, can separate me from Your love. Help me to reflect that love and commitment to others today. Amen.*

### Fifth Day of the Month

Prayer One based on 1 Samuel 16:7 (MSG)

*Lord, You told Samuel not to consider the outward appearance when he was looking for Israel's king. I acknowledge that I often look on the outward appearance or behavior of a person as a way to define them in my mind. At times, I over-focus on my own outward appearance, sometimes choosing to spend more time on it than on my inward relationship with You. Forgive me for that and give me eyes to see myself and others as You see us. Amen.*

Prayer Two based on 2 Samuel 7:11-16 (MSG)

*Father, You told David that You would build his house. You promised to be a Father to him and that You would discipline him when he needed it. You reminded him that You would never remove Your gracious love from him. I know that I can cling to those promises as well. You will do what is best. You will work for the good and for Your glory in my life. I accept Your love and graciousness as wonderful gifts. It is a privilege to be Your child. Amen.*

### Sixth Day of the Month

Prayer One based on 1 Kings 2:2 (MSG) *Merciful God, when David was nearing the end of his life, he advised Solomon to be strong--to do what God told him, to walk in Your paths, and follow Your life-map. Please help me today to do that--to walk in Your paths for me, not focusing on just my own plans and goals but aligning them with Yours. Amen.*

Prayer Two based on 2 Kings 18:5-6 (MSG) *Father, may I be like Hezekiah, who is described as putting his whole trust in You. He obeyed to the letter what was commanded. He held fast to You, and You held fast to him. May I be like that--obeying You to the letter and putting my whole trust in You. I hold fast to You today! Amen.*

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### Seventh Day of the Month

Prayer One based on 1 Chronicles 16:8-19 (MSG) *Thank You Lord! You are great. You have done great things. You have performed many miracles--I am jubilant before You. You gave Your people an inheritance and have included me as Your child. I seek Your presence and guidance day by day. You are faithful and I revel in Your holy name! Amen.*

Prayer Two based on 2 Chronicles 10:7-8 (MSG) *Father, Rehoboam was given good advice about how to treat people--the people who worked for him--and he ignored it. He was told to be a servant to them, to be considerate of their needs and respond with compassion, to work things out with them. Though he ignored this wise advice, I ask that You will help me follow it as I interact with my coworkers and those who work for me today. May I manage with grace, may I be diligent and faithful, may I demonstrate compassion in the workplace today. Thank You for helping me. Amen.*

### Eighth Day of the Month

Prayer One based on Ezra 3:11-13 (MSG) *Oh yes, You are good! I lift my praise and thanksgiving to You. You never quit loving me. At times I shout, at times I weep, at times I stand still in Your presence. Praise You, Lord.*

Prayer Two based on Nehemiah 9:13-15 (MSG) *Lord, may I never forget what You have done for me. As the Israelites remembered Your great deeds, may I remember Your grace and love. Help me to take time to recall Your ministry in our lives, perhaps by writing it down or saving the memory in some other way. You have taught us, You have bought us, You have saved us. Thank You.*

### Ninth Day of the Month

Prayer One based on Esther 4:15-16 (MSG) - *Lord, Esther faced a scary time when Mordecai exhorted her to go to the king. She responded by setting aside time for prayer, and included her close associates. Then, she stepped out in courage, doing what was right regardless of consequences. Following her example, I ask for courage today, to step out in faith to follow Your plan for me. Help me to not be impetuous, but to take time to pray, involving close friends when appropriate. Then, when I have bathed the matter in prayer, may I step out in courageous obedience to You. Amen.*

Prayer Two based on Job 10:1-7 (MSG) - *Lord, Job said some hard things to You, and You listened. He acknowledged that You don't work on the same timetable as human beings. Yet, he felt comfortable honestly sharing his feelings. Thank You that You are a God who cares about my feelings--who can accept my range of emotions and is always ready in grace to love and teach me, even if it involves some hard things. I submit my entire being, including my emotions and questions, to You today. Amen.*

