

Our Father in heaven,

You are my Hope, my Victory, and my Peace.

Because you are the only sovereign King who rules over all heaven and earth, I will be confident and unafraid today. My strength, my courage, and my joy come only from You, Lord. You alone are my Savior.

*Matthew 12:20-21; Isaiah 9:6-7;
1 Timothy 6:15-16; Isaiah 41:10; Isaiah 12:2*

I come to You, Father, only through the merits of the Lord Jesus Christ,

the One who died on the cross and shed His blood to forgive all my sins - past, present, and future - and who rose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and sent His Spirit to live in me.

Romans 5:8-10; 1 Corinthians 15:3-6; Acts 1:8-9

I come to You, Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit

who has caused me to be born again, who now lives in me, and who intercedes for me with groanings too deep for words.

John 3:3-8, John 14:16-17, Romans 8:26

I come boldly to Your throne of grace to find Your help in my time of need.

I need You today, Lord. I am desperate for You. I trust You, Lord God, to defeat my enemies - the world, the flesh, and the devil - that wage war against the physical, relational, emotional, and spiritual health of my family, my ministry, and my soul.

Hebrews 4:16; Psalm 63:1; Ephesians 6:10-18

I ask You, Lord God, to demonstrate Your great power over the enemy.

Win victories this day in, through, with, and for me. I realize that I am not wrestling against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 6:10-12

I am Your child, heavenly Father. Since I am Your child, then I am Your heir - an heir of God and a fellow heir with Christ. Because I am in Christ, I can now resist the devil. In Christ, I claim the promise that no weapon formed against me or my family shall prosper.

Romans 8:15-17; 1 Peter 5:8-9; Isaiah 54:17

Holy Spirit, lead me and guide me today. Fill me. Bear Your fruit through me. Grant to me the ability to discern between righteousness and wickedness and the wisdom to choose the path of righteousness.

*Romans 8:13-14; Ephesians 5:18; Galatians 5:22-23;
Ephesians 5:10; Joshua 24:14-15*

Thank You, Lord Jesus, for rescuing me from my sins and the devil's stronghold by going to the cross for me. You have disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame by triumphing over them through Your work on the cross.

Colossians 2:13-15; 2 Corinthians 2:14

Thank You for clothing me in Your righteousness in Christ Jesus.

I am Your property. I belong to You, Lord. Grant to me Your prosperity as I delight in Your law and meditate on Your Word.

*Isaiah 61:10; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20;
Psalm 1:1-3; Joshua 1:8*

I know that the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion wanting to devour me. He and his demons are seeking to steal, kill, and destroy everything good and godly that I hold dear. Help me today to trust in You, to win today's spiritual battles, and to bring glory and honor to Your name.

*1 Peter 5:8; John 10:10b; Ephesians 6:12;
Luke 10:18; Ephesians 5:18b; Galatians 5:22a*

When the enemy causes me to doubt my identity in Christ

- telling me I'm a worthless sinner, a lost cause, an embarrassment to You - remind me of whose I am and who You say I am - a saint, a new creation, Your beloved child, living new in Christ.

Ephesians 1:1; 2 Corinthians 5:17; John 3:16

Lord, please forgive me for the ways I have given the enemy opportunities

to gain any foothold or stronghold in my life, my family, or my ministry. By Your grace and for Your glory, help me take back any ground he's gained in my life, in my family, or in my ministry. Help me be aware of his schemes and to not be ignorant of his devices.

*Deuteronomy 18:9-12; Psalm 139:23-24;
Ephesians 4:27, Ephesians 6:11; 2 Corinthians 2:11*

Sovereign God, keep me from the enemy: the evil one, the tempter, the accuser. Protect me from his followers, fallen angels who are now the evil spirits who are seeking to minimize and neutralize my life in Christ. Lead me not into temptation but deliver me from the evil one.

*Revelation 12:7-9; Matthew 6:13;
1 Thessalonians 3:5; Revelation 12:10;
Leviticus 17:7; Luke 8:30; Luke 7:21*

Help me to submit again today to Your authority, Your control, and Your will.

May Your kingdom come, and Your will be done in and through me. Lead me to say "no" to the devil and his temptations and "yes" to You and Your abundant life. By Your power, help me resist the devil and see him flee.

Matthew 6:10; Luke 9:23; John 10:10; James 4:7

Lord Jesus, help me to live in the light of Your presence. Lead me in Your paths of righteousness and away from anything evil.

*John 17:15; Ephesians 1:18-23;
John 12:26; Psalm 23:3*

Mighty Lord, thank You for spiritual armor for the spiritual battle

- the belt of truth; breastplate of righteousness; helmet of salvation; feet fitted with the readiness of the Gospel of peace; shield of faith; and the sword of the Spirit, the Word of God. By faith, I now put on each piece. Help me remain strong in Your mighty power and stand against the enemy's wicked schemes.

Ephesians 6:10-18

Thank You for such spiritual weapons as faith, truth, and righteousness that demolish strongholds.

Help me to keep my mind fixed on what is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent, and praiseworthy.

2 Corinthians 10:3-6; Philippians 4:8



Holy Spirit, I know my own actions can open the door to the enemy. Lead me to be humble, not prideful; forgiving, not holding grudges; content, not striving for what doesn't satisfy.

*2 Corinthians 2:10-11; Galatians 5:22,23;
Ephesians 4:27*

I recognize that the devil is attempting to incite me to sin - to prompt me to do evil. I'm desperately dependent on You to fight off the enemy's deceitful attacks.

1 Chronicles 21:1; John 13:2; Acts 5:3

I pray as well for each member of my family and for my pastors, church staff, and fellow believers. May they also suit up in Your armor and experience victory by Your power.

*Colossians 4:3; 1 Thessalonians 5:25;
Hebrews 13:18; 1 Peter 5:8-10*

Assist me now, Lord, as I exert my authority in Christ over the enemy. (Because we wrestle against demons - spiritual forces of wickedness, this is an opportunity to address and resist the evil spirit behind particular sins or temptations you or your loved ones are facing such as unbelief, depression, anger, lust, fear, greed, despair, pride, sloth, etc.)

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, the One who shed His blood on the cross and rose from the grave, I command you, evil spirit of _____ to leave me, my family, and my ministry. Because I am in Christ and stand in His victory over you, you must flee. Evil spirits, rulers, authorities, cosmic powers, spiritual forces of darkness, you are now bound from my mind, my body, my soul, my family, my home, and my ministry. In the name of Jesus, I resist the devil and all demons.

Now, I ask You, Lord God, to build a hedge of protection around me and my loved ones throughout this day and night. I ask You, in the name of Jesus, to send angels to surround us and to protect us today and every day. Guard our souls, bodies, minds, wills and emotions. May Your holy angels protect us from any and all harmful demonic attacks. Because the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ is with me, I live by faith and know that You, the God of peace, will soon crush Satan under my feet.

Job 1:10; Psalm 3:3; Psalm 34:7; Romans 16:20

Almighty God, use me as a soldier in Your spiritual battles. I need not live in fear because greater are You who lives inside me than the enemy who is in the world. Enable me to fight the good fight and advance Your Kingdom into the enemy's occupied territory.

Colossians 2:15; 1 John 4:4; 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Father God, keep me alert to the evil one with spiritual eyes wide open as You use me to make a difference for eternity by helping other people come to know You, grow in You, and live for You.

*1 Thessalonians 5:6; Proverbs 4:23,
1 Corinthians 10:12; Matthew 28:19-20*

O Lord, thank You that absolutely nothing - not even the spiritual forces of evil - can separate me from Your love.

Romans 8:38-39; Luke 4:1-13

I ask all of this in the name of Jesus.

Amen and Amen.

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VICTORY IN **Christ**
a spiritual warfare prayer



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