

Group Prayer Guide

We have heard three messages. NOW is the time to do business with God in the place of prayer. You and your group can draw near to God, and one another, in this Revival Prayer Meeting. Enter this time with great anticipation! "Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?" (Psalm 85:6).

GENERAL GUIDLINES

- As the leader, you will set the tone and atmosphere for your prayer group. It is important for you to be in a proper and sober frame of mind. Remember you are on Kingdom business!
- 2. Get your group in a circle.



- We recommend you keep your group size small enough so all can actively participate. Divide your group if needed, provided you have proper leaders.
- 4. As the leader, you must instruct the people.
- 5. Instruct the people to pray one at a time and loud enough to be heard.
- 6. As the leader, you set the policies for your group. Don't tell them to pray as "they feel led" unless you are praying with Spirit-filled people.
- As the leader, you set the pace. Few things are worse than a prayer time that drags on. It may take time to get on praying ground. Let the Lord lead you as you lead your people.
- 8. Explain the procedure (three rounds of prayer) clearly.
- 9. As the leader, you set the example. The leader should begin each round of prayer. Explain the focus. Read through the Scriptures provided. Give brief instruction and get to it.
- 10. Encourage everyone to be transparent before God and each other.
- 11. Remind your people of the following:
 - a. Everything is shared in strict confidence. This is a setting of love and acceptance, not condemnation.
 - b. This is time to pray, NOT preach.
 - c. There is no need to share embarrassing or defrauding details in the larger group. Some may need personal counseling and private help.
 - d. While others are leading aloud in prayer, all should focus on what is being prayed and should agree with them in believing prayer.
- 12. When you sense the Lord is finished, close the meeting.

Spiritual C.P.R.

- Confession
- Praise
- Requests

Round #1: CONFESSION

If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me. – Ps. 66:18 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. – Ja. 5:16 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. – I Jn. 1:9

Encourage your group to think through the messages they've heard thus far. Examine your hearts. Confess sinful attitudes, doubt and unbelief, wrong thoughts, wrong intentions, wrong reactions, wrong relationships, bitterness, anger against God, rebellion, meanness at home, bad language, godless entertainment, sinful habits, etc. Confess the root of the sin (i.e. covetousness, sensuality, pride). Be specific. The leader should end this round with a prayer of faith for deliverance and victory.

Round #2: PRAISE and Thanksgiving

Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. – Eph. 5:20 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. – I Thes. 5:18 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good. – Ps. 118:1

Thank God for speaking to us, forgiveness, mercy, kindness, victory, etc. Thanksgiving will abound if the people get honest in round one. He that is forgiven much loves much. Be exuberant in your praise and gratitude as you start this round!

Round #3: REQUESTS

Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. – Mt. 7:7 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another. – Ja. 5:16



Through **confession** we get the ear of God. When we **praise** the Lord we please God. Now, we are ready to bring our **requests** before God!

Topics to Consider:

- Spiritual Power & great grace for personal needs
- Renewed mind (attitudes of faith, obedience, gratitude)
- Relational needs (family, friends, foes)
- Wisdom & direction
- Mercy for and salvation of the lost
- Fresh breath of God in our churches
- Revival NOW!

Group Testimony Time

- 1. Give your group time to write down the key things God has shown them. *Practical Applications:*
 - What benefits have I to be grateful for?
 - What attitudes must I change?
 - What pride must I expose?
 - What relationships must I establish or attempt to repair?
 - What commands must I obey?
 - What promises must I claim?
- 2. Allow the group to share the thoughts they have compiled.
 - a. Keep focused
 - b. Keep specific
 - c. Help coordinate accountability partners.

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