7. The Ark of the Covenant: Intercede for others.

(1 Timothy 2:1-2 NIV) I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, <u>inter-</u> <u>cession</u> and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

Prayer for those in authority - spiritual, civil, workplace, parental

Pray for our nation Break dissension – hatred – discord

Our cities and state

My family – relationships Break the spirit of divorce – healing of the home

My church – leaders – our vision – expansion – prisons – Dream Centers My needs:

Freedom from bondage Blessing over trouble

Wisdom for the future Victory over the enemy Healing from disease

> Give God your life – your agenda – your day Not my will – but yours be done

James 4:8 (NKJV) Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.



Pray First - A Way to Pray - Tabernacle Prayer

Saturday-Sunday, January 6-7, 2024

Ephesians 6:18 (AMP) Pray at **all times** (on **every occasion**, in every season) in the Spirit, with all [manner of] prayer and entreaty. To that end **keep alert and watch with strong purpose and perseverance**, interceding on behalf of all the saints (God's consecrated people).

Priority - Place - Plan

(Exodus 25:8-9 NLT) "Have the people of Israel build me a holy sanctuary so I can live among them. You must build this Tabernacle and its furnishings exactly according to the pattern I will show you.

The Furniture in the Tabernacle were literally steps to God – a protocol to the Presence of God

(Exodus 33:11 NLT) Inside the Tent of Meeting, the LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend.

7 steps

1. The Outer Court: Give God thanks.

Psalm 100:4 (NKJV) Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. **Be thankful** to Him, and bless His name.

7 Easy Steps

- 1. Give God thanks.
- 2. Focus on the Cross.
- 3. Offer every part of my life to God.
- 4. Invite the work of the Holy Spirit in my life.
- 5. Claim the promises in God's Word.
- 6. Worship His Name.
- 7. Intercede for others.

2. The Brazen Altar: Focus on the Cross.

Psalm 103:2 (NKJV) Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His **benefits**: **Psalm 103:3 (NKJV)** Who **forgives** all your iniquities, Who **heals** all your diseases,

Psalm 103:4 (NKJV) Who **redeems** your life from destruction, Who **crowns** you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,

Psalm 103:5 (NKJV) Who **satisfies** your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

3. The Laver: Offer every part of my life to God.

Romans 12:1 (NLT) And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to **give your bodies to God** because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.

So I literally offer my body to God

My tongue – help me say the right things today My eyes – help me see things the way You do My ears – help me to hear Your voice – turn from the enemy My hands – help me to reach out to others – help them My feet – order my steps – go and do what You want

Psalm 139:23 (NLT) Search me, O God, and **know my heart**; test me and know my anxious thoughts.

Psalm 139:24 (NLT) Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life.

5. The Table of Shewbread: Claim the promises in God's Word.

Matthew 4:4 (NKJV) But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.' "

Joshua 1:8 (NKJV) This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

(Ephesians 6:10-18 NIV) Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can **take your stand** against the devil's schemes... (Take) the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.

4. The Candlestick: Invite the work of the Holy Spirit in my life.

Isaiah 11:2 (NKJV) The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of **wisdom** and **understanding**, The Spirit of **counsel** and **might**, The Spirit of **knowledge** and of the **fear of the Lord**.

Galatians 5:22 (NKJV) But the **fruit of the Spirit** is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

Galatians 5:23 (NKJV) gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

(2 Timothy 1:6-7 NLT) This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you. For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of **power**, **love**, and **self-discipline**.

6. The Altar of Incense: Worship His Name.

(Psalm 95:6-7 NIV) Come, let us **bow down in worship**, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

(Proverbs 18:10) The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

Holy – Righteous – Peace – Counselor – Friend – Shepherd – Healer Provider – Defender – Always There