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PRAYING THROUGH THE Psalms

...Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. Ephesians 6:18

1) Praise: invite God's presence and blessing.

2) Repent: remove obstacles so prayer is heard.

3) Commit: present our lives for God's will.

4) Lament: tell God how we feel.

5) Plead: urgently seek God's favor.

6) Wisdom: open our eyes to the truth.

7) Trust: leads to obedience which leads to joy.

**And we know that for those who love God all things
work together for good, for those who are called
according to his purpose. Romans 8:28**

8) Thanks: express appreciation for God's goodness.

**Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his
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**He turns rivers into a desert, springs of water into
thirsty ground, 34 a fruitful land into a salty waste,
because of the evil of its inhabitants.**

**35 He turns a desert into pools of water, a parched
land into springs of water. 36 And there he lets the
hungry dwell,**

**and they establish a city to live in; 37 they sow fields
and plant vineyards and get a fruitful yield. 38 By his
blessing they multiply greatly,**

**and he does not let their livestock diminish. 39 When
they are diminished and brought low through
oppression, evil, and sorrow,**

**40 he pours contempt on princes and makes them
wander in trackless wastes; 41 but he raises up the
needy out of affliction**

**and makes their families like flocks. 42 The upright
see it and are glad, and all wickedness shuts its
mouth. 43 Whoever is wise,**

**let him attend to these things; let them consider the
steadfast love of the Lord. Psalm 107:33-43**

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**Pattern – Problem identified = prayer-initiated
solution = thankful response**

1) God provides.

Problem identified

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Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in; 5 hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them. Psalm 107:4,5

Prayer-initiated solution

**Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he
delivered them from their distress.**

**7 He led them by a straight way till they
reached a city to dwell in.**

Psalms 107:6,7

Thankful response

**Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his
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9 For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things. Psalm 107:8,9

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2) God breaks chains.

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**Some sat in darkness and in the shadow of death,
prisoners in affliction and in irons, 11 for they had
rebelled against the words of God,**

and spurned the counsel of the Most High. 12 So he bowed their hearts down with hard labor; they fell down, with none to help. Psalm 107:10-12

Prayer-initiated solution

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. 14 He brought them out of darkness

**and the shadow of death, and burst their bonds apart.
Psalm 107:13,14**

**Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you,
everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin.”**

John 8:34

Thankful response

**Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his
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**16 For he shatters the doors of bronze and cuts in two
the bars of iron. Psalm 107:15,16**

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3) God heals.

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**Some were fools through their sinful ways, and
because of their iniquities suffered affliction;**

**18 they loathed any kind of food, and they drew near
to the gates of death. Psalm 107:17,18**

Prayer-initiated solution

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. 20 He sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from their destruction. Psalm 107:19,20

**Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders
of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing
him with oil in the name of the Lord.**

15 And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

James 5:14,15

Thankful response

**Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his
wondrous works to the children of man!**

**22 And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and
tell of his deeds in songs of joy! Psalm 107:21,22**

4) God quiets the storm.

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**Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business
on the great waters; 24 they saw the deeds of the
Lord, his wondrous works in the deep.**

**25 For he commanded and raised the stormy wind,
which lifted up the waves of the sea. 26 They
mounted up to heaven;**

**they went down to the depths; their courage
melted away in their evil plight;**

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Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. 29 He made the storm be still,

**and the waves of the sea were hushed. 30 Then they
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Psalm 107:28,29

**And the peace of God, which surpasses all
understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds
in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:7**

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