

# PRAYER GUIDE

## WEEK OF OCTOBER 18 – 24

### Psalm 33 (ESV)

#### The Steadfast Love of the Lord

Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous!  
Praise befits the upright.

<sup>2</sup> Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre;  
make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!

<sup>3</sup> Sing to him a new song;  
play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

<sup>4</sup> For the word of the Lord is upright,  
and all his work is done in faithfulness.

<sup>5</sup> He loves righteousness and justice;  
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

<sup>6</sup> By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
and by the breath of his mouth all their host.

<sup>7</sup> He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap;  
he puts the deeps in storehouses.

<sup>8</sup> Let all the earth fear the Lord;  
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

<sup>9</sup> For he spoke, and it came to be;  
he commanded, and it stood firm.

<sup>10</sup> The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;  
he frustrates the plans of the peoples.

<sup>11</sup> The counsel of the Lord stands forever,  
the plans of his heart to all generations.

<sup>12</sup> Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,  
the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

<sup>13</sup> The Lord looks down from heaven;  
he sees all the children of man;

<sup>14</sup> from where he sits enthroned he looks out  
on all the inhabitants of the earth,

<sup>15</sup> he who fashions the hearts of them all  
and observes all their deeds.

<sup>16</sup> The king is not saved by his great army;  
a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.

<sup>17</sup> The war horse is a false hope for salvation,  
and by its great might it cannot rescue.

<sup>18</sup> Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,

on those who hope in his steadfast love,

<sup>19</sup> that he may deliver their soul from death  
and keep them alive in famine.

<sup>20</sup> Our soul waits for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.

<sup>21</sup> For our heart is glad in him,  
because we trust in his holy name.

<sup>22</sup> Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,  
even as we hope in you.

#### REVERENCE - *God's Praiseworthy Attributes:*

- Inspires/is worthy of our shouts of joy – vv. 1,3
- Imputes righteousness and uprightness – v. 1
- Worthy of praise – v. 1
- Worthy of thanksgiving – v. 2
- Inspires songs – v. 3
- Imparts skill- v. 3
- His word is upright – v. 3
- Faithful – v. 4
- Lover of righteousness and justice – v. 5
- Steadfast love – vv. 5,18,22
- Creator of all things – vv. 6, 9
- Superintends His creation – v. 7, 9
- To be feared – v. 8
- Awesome – v. 8
- Rules over the nations – v. 10
- Imparts his counsel/plans – v. 11

- Eternal – v. 11
- Source of blessing – v. 12
- Sovereign in His choosing – v. 12
- Rules/enthroned in heaven – vv. 14,15
- All seeing/knowing – vv. 13-15
- Fashions every heart – v. 15
- The only hope for salvation – vv. 16-17
- Attends to those who fear him – v. 18
- Our hope – vv. 18,22
- Our deliverer – v. 19
- Our sustainer – v. 19
- Our help – v. 20
- Our shield – v. 20
- Source of gladness – v. 21
- Trustworthy – v. 21
- Holy – v. 21

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### **POSSIBLE PRAYER PROMPTS:**

#### **REVERENCE**

- We shout to You Lord because \_\_\_\_\_ (various attributes and works).
- Thank You that Your upright word teaches me that\_\_\_\_\_.
- Thank You that You have always been faithful, especially when\_\_\_\_\_.
- I stand in awe of You because\_\_\_\_\_.
- Thank You that Your word helps me stand firm when\_\_\_\_\_.
- I praise You Lord for the assurance that You see me, especially when\_\_\_\_\_.
- We praise You that Your love is steadfast, even when\_\_\_\_\_.
- I praise You that You were my help and shield when\_\_\_\_\_.

#### **RESPONSE**

- Lord, I confess I have been unfaithful in\_\_\_\_\_.
- Father, because I know You love righteousness, I confess that I have not acted righteously when\_\_\_\_\_.
- Lord, because You love justice, I admit before You that I have too often been unfair toward and mistreated\_\_\_\_\_ (name).
- Father, I confess that I have too often trusted in \_\_\_\_\_ to meet my need, rather than Your steadfast love.

#### **REQUESTS**

- Because You are the creator and sustainer of the universe, I know I can trust You for\_\_\_\_\_.
- Lord, frustrate the plans of the enemy in the life of \_\_\_\_\_ (name).
- Lord, I need Your counsel right now as I\_\_\_\_\_.
- Lord, give Your counsel to our church leaders as they\_\_\_\_\_.
- Lord, I pray You will show the plans of Your heart to \_\_\_\_\_ (name) as they\_\_\_\_\_.
- Lord, I need You to again fashion my heart to be like Jesus, so that I will \_\_\_\_\_.
- Help me to place my hope in Your steadfast love as I a navigate my relationship with \_\_\_\_\_ (name).
- I pray for \_\_\_\_\_ (name) that You will deliver them from \_\_\_\_\_.
- Because Your name is \_\_\_\_\_, I will trust You for\_\_\_\_\_.

#### **READINESS**

- Lord, I will trust You – and not my own strength, as I face the challenge of\_\_\_\_\_.
- Lord, help me to wait on You, even when\_\_\_\_\_.
- I will hope in Your steadfast love, especially when I face\_\_\_\_\_ (specific trials, temptations, attacks).

### **Monthly Prayer Focus: "40 Days of Prayer for America."**

#### **POSSIBLE PRAYER PROMPTS**

- Thank the Lord that His mercy triumphs over judgment.
- Pray that the churches in your community and area will preach the gospel of Christ powerfully.
- Ask the Lord to bring revival to the church in America.