

PRAYER GUIDE

WEEK OF APRIL 18 – 24

PRAYER GUIDE: PSALM 27 (ESV)

Of David

The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

²When evildoers assail me
to eat up my flesh,
my adversaries and foes,
it is they who stumble and fall.

³Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war arise against me,
yet I will be confident.

⁴One thing have I asked of the Lord,
that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord
and to inquire in his temple.

⁵For he will hide me in his shelter
in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will lift me high upon a rock.

⁶And now my head shall be lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent

sacrifices with shouts of joy;

I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

⁷Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud;
be gracious to me and answer me!

⁸You have said, "Seek my face."

My heart says to you,
"Your face, Lord, do I seek."

⁹Hide not your face from me.
Turn not your servant away in anger,
O you who have been my help.

Cast me not off; forsake me not,
O God of my salvation!

¹⁰For my father and my mother have forsaken me,
but the Lord will take me in.

¹¹Teach me your way, O Lord,
and lead me on a level path
because of my enemies.

¹²Give me not up to the will of my adversaries;
for false witnesses have risen against me,
and they breathe out violence.

¹³I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of
the Lord
in the land of the living!

¹⁴Wait for the Lord;
be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the Lord!

REVERENCE

God's Praiseworthy Attributes

- Our Light – v. 1
- Our salvation – vv. 1, 9
- Our stronghold/refuge- v. 1
- Overcomes our fears – v. 1
- Protects from our enemies – v. 2
- Our confidence – v. 3
- Beautiful – v. 4
- Our shelter – v. 5
- Our covering (safety) – v.5
- Lifts us up – v. 5
- Worthy of sacrifice – v. 6
- Source of joy – v. 6
- Hears and answers prayer – v. 7
- Gracious – v. 7
- Reveals His face/intimacy – v. 8
- Righteously angry – v 9
- Our help – v. 9
- Takes us in (cares) – v. 10
- Our teacher – v. 11
- Leads us – v. 11
- Good – v. 12
- Give strength and courage – v. 14

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POSSIBLE PRAYER PROMPTS:

REVERENCE

- I praise You that Your light is greater than the darkness of...
- I praise You that You have saved me from...
- I praise You that because You are my stronghold, I do not have to fear...
- Lord, You are beautiful to me because...
- Because You have delivered me, I willingly sacrifice...
- I shout for joy because...
- I praise You that when I seek Your face I see...

RESPONSE

- I confess the I am often fearful about _____. Renew my mind in the truth of who You are.
- Rather than the “one thing” of Your beauty, I confess I often desire...
- I confess that when You call me to seek Your face, I sinfully seek _____ instead.

REQUESTS

- Because You are my light, I trust You to deliver me from my fear of...
- Because You are their stronghold, deliver _____ (name) from their fear of...
- Help me trust Your sheltering care when I am troubled about...
- I trust You to keep _____ (name) safe as they...
- I pray You will lift up _____ (name) as they deal with...
- Lord, hear my prayer as I trust You for _____ and be gracious to me.
- Help me to hear Your call to seek Your face so that I will desire You more than...
- Help _____ (name) know that You are caring for them even though they have been forsaken by....
- Lord, today, be my teacher and help me to learn that...
- Lord, as I face a hostile world, I trust You to lead me so that I will...
- Help me understand and see Your goodness today as I...
- I pray that _____ (name) will embrace Your goodness even though they are facing...

READINESS

- Because You are our Light and Salvation we will not fear...
 - Antiphonal Response: The Stronghold of our lives!
- We are trusting You to overcome the enemy of...
- Even though the enemy comes against us when, _____. We will not fear.
 - Antiphonal response: You are our Confidence!
- We will trust in Your goodness when...
 - Antiphonal responses:
 - Women: Be strong and take courage!
 - Men: Wait on the Lord!
- Give strength and courage – v. 14

April Monthly Prayer Focus: 30 Days of Praying Through Your Neighborhood

POSSIBLE PRAYER POINTS:

- Ask the Lord to identify those neighbors with whom He would have you develop friendships.
- Ask God to show you how to be a light in your neighborhood.
- Thank the Lord for the neighborhood and neighbors He has put in your care.