PRAYER GUIDE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21 - 27

Psalm 48 (ESV) A Song. A Psalm of the Sons of Korah.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!

His holy mountain, ² beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth,

Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.

³ Within her citadels God has made himself known as a fortress.

⁴ For behold, the kings assembled; they came on together.

⁵ As soon as they saw it, they were astounded;

they were in panic; they took to flight.

- ⁶ Trembling took hold of them there, anguish as of a woman in labor.
- ⁷ By the east wind you shattered the ships of Tarshish.

⁸ As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God,

which God will establish forever. Selah ⁹We have thought on your steadfast love, O God,

in the midst of your temple.

¹⁰ As your name, O God,

so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth.

Your right hand is filled with righteousness.

¹¹ Let Mount Zion be glad!

Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your judgments!

¹² Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers,

¹³ consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels,

that you may tell the next generation

¹⁴ that this is God,

our God forever and ever. He will guide us forever.

REVERENCE - God's Praiseworthy Attributes:

- The Lord is a great and worthy of worship. (V.1, 3)
- He designed and built a heavenly city. (V. 1-2; Heb. 11:10; 12:22)
- The city of God is beautiful to behold. (V. 2)
- God the King dwells in that city and He defends it. (V. 2, 3)
- How good to think long and hard on the lovingkindness of God. (V. 9)
- God's people rejoice that he is a righteous judge. (V. 10, 11)
- Future generations will hear of the glory of God and the city He has built. (V. 13)
- Our God is a never-ending Guide. (V. 14)

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POSSIBLE PRAYER PROMPTS:

REVERENCE

- Great and mighty God, you are to be highly praised because ______
- Lord, you were great to me when ______
- Lord, be my defender and protector as I face ______
- Lord, because you promised to build your church ______

RESPONSE

- Thank you for the beauty of Christ that I see in _____.
- Lord, bless the city where I live with _____.
- Forgive me for doubting your _____ when _____.
- Because you are loving and kind, _____.

REQUESTS

- My Lord and Maker, I pray make me _____.
- Indwelling Spirit of God, guide me as I walk _____
- I pray that _____ (name) will be a part of the eternal city of God.
- You are a righteous God of justice, therefore ______.
- May the whole earth rejoice that _____.

READINESS

- Lord, open the eyes of _____ (name) to see that _____.
- Lord, overcome my fear of _____ so that I may declare your truth to my generation.
- Lord, on my journey to the celestial city, help me to _____.

Monthly Prayer Focus: "31 Ways to Praise" (Attributes of God) <u>Possible Prayer Prompts</u>

- King of Kings and Lord of Lords. "All honor and praise be to You, my God, 'the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light'" (1 Timothy 6:15).
- **The Burden Bearer.** "Praise be to the Lord, to God [my] Savior, who daily bears [my] burdens" (Psalm 68:19).
- **God of Light.** "I praise You, Lord, because You are 'my light and my salvation' (Ps. 27:1), and because You know 'what lies in darkness, and light dwells with [You]'" (Daniel 2:22).
- **29.** God of Joy. "I give You praise, O Lord, because 'you have granted [me] eternal blessings and made [me] glad with the joy of your presence'" (Psalm 21:6).