

PRAYER GUIDE

WEEK OF DECEMBER 26 – JANUARY 1

PRAYER GUIDE: PSALM 24 (ESV)

A Psalm of David.

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,
² for he has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.
³ Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?
⁴ He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.
⁵ He will receive blessing from the Lord
and righteousness from the God of his
salvation.
⁶ Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob. Selah

⁷ Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
⁸ Who is this King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle!
⁹ Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
¹⁰ Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory! Selah

REVERENCE

God's praiseworthy attributes displayed in this text:

He is...

- Creator and master of all things – v. 1
- Founder and sustainer of creation – v. 2
- Holy – v. 3
- Worthy of pure and unadulterated worship – v. 4
- The source of true blessing – v. 5
- Righteous – v. 5
- Savior – v. 5
- Worthy to be sought – v. 6
- Intimate with us in revealing His face – v. 6
- The King of Glory – v. 8
- Strong and mighty; Mighty in battle – v. 9
- Lord of hosts – v. 10

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POSSIBLE PRAYER PROMPTS:

REVERENCE

- I praise You that You are the creator and master of...
- I praise You that You are absolutely holy and unaffected by this world's...
- Thank You that, in Christ, I have received the blessing of...
- I praise You that You have saved me from...
- I praise You that when I seek Your face, I see...
- Lord of hosts, I praise You that You rule over...

RESPONSE

- I confess that I do not worship You from a pure heart, especially when I...
- I confess that in recent days I have lifted up my soul to the idol of...
- I confess my tendency to be deceitful when _____. Cleanse and empower me in truth, and give me grace to make this right with others.
- King of Glory, I open the gates of my life to Your rule once again and surrender my...

REQUESTS

- Because You have established all of creation, I trust You to establish...
- Help my worship to be pure and true today so that...
- I pray that _____ (name of an unsaved person) will receive the blessing and righteousness of Your salvation by turning to Christ in true faith and worship.
- I pray that this generation will seek Your face before we seek...
- Teach us to seek Your face so that we...
- Because You are strong and mighty, I trust You to...
- King of Glory, because You have come into my life (see 2 Cor. 4:6), enable me to glorify You when...

READINESS

- Because You are mighty in battle, work in the life of _____ (name) to win their battle with...
- Because You are mighty in battle, give us victory over...
 - Antiphonal response:
 - Women: Lord of Hosts!
 - Men: King of Glory!

Monthly Prayer Focus: "Christ in Christmas" (Advent Devotional)

POSSIBLE DEVOTIONAL FOCUS: Celebrating the Visit of Christ

Colossians 1:15-23: *The Preeminent Christ*

Revelation 5:1-14: *Worthy is the Lamb*

Isaiah 11:1-5: *The New Heaven and Earth*

Meditation questions:

1. How do you feel knowing that Christ is looking intensely at His world, His church, and His people?
2. What do you think about when you consider the second coming of Jesus?