

# PRAYER GUIDE

## WEEK OF FEBRUARY 20 - 26

### PRAYER GUIDE: PSALM 37 (ESV)

#### Of David.

Fret not yourself because of evildoers;  
be not envious of wrongdoers!

<sup>2</sup> For they will soon fade like the grass  
and wither like the green herb.

<sup>3</sup> Trust in the Lord, and do good;  
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>4</sup> Delight yourself in the Lord,  
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

<sup>5</sup> Commit your way to the Lord;  
trust in him, and he will act.

<sup>6</sup> He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,  
and your justice as the noonday.

<sup>7</sup> Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him;  
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his  
way,

over the man who carries out evil devices!

<sup>8</sup> Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath!  
Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil.

<sup>9</sup> For the evildoers shall be cut off,  
but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the  
land.

<sup>10</sup> In just a little while, the wicked will be no more;  
though you look carefully at his place, he will not be  
there.

<sup>11</sup> But the meek shall inherit the land  
and delight themselves in abundant peace.

<sup>12</sup> The wicked plots against the righteous  
and gnashes his teeth at him,

<sup>13</sup> but the Lord laughs at the wicked,  
for he sees that his day is coming.

<sup>14</sup> The wicked draw the sword and bend their bows  
to bring down the poor and needy,  
to slay those whose way is upright;

<sup>15</sup> their sword shall enter their own heart,  
and their bows shall be broken.

<sup>16</sup> Better is the little that the righteous has  
than the abundance of many wicked.

<sup>17</sup> For the arms of the wicked shall be broken,  
but the Lord upholds the righteous.

<sup>18</sup> The Lord knows the days of the blameless,  
and their heritage will remain forever;

<sup>19</sup> they are not put to shame in evil times;  
in the days of famine they have abundance.

<sup>20</sup> But the wicked will perish;  
the enemies of the Lord are like the glory of the  
pastures;

they vanish—like smoke they vanish away.

<sup>21</sup> The wicked borrows but does not pay back,  
but the righteous is generous and gives;

<sup>22</sup> for those blessed by the Lord<sup>[c]</sup> shall inherit the land,  
but those cursed by him shall be cut off.

<sup>23</sup> The steps of a man are established by the Lord,  
when he delights in his way;

<sup>24</sup> though he fall, he shall not be cast headlong,  
for the Lord upholds his hand.

<sup>25</sup> I have been young, and now am old,  
yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken  
or his children begging for bread.

<sup>26</sup> He is ever lending generously,  
and his children become a blessing.

<sup>27</sup> Turn away from evil and do good;  
so shall you dwell forever.

<sup>28</sup> For the Lord loves justice;  
he will not forsake his saints.

They are preserved forever,  
but the children of the wicked shall be cut off.

<sup>29</sup> The righteous shall inherit the land  
and dwell upon it forever.

<sup>30</sup> The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom,  
and his tongue speaks justice.

<sup>31</sup> The law of his God is in his heart;  
his steps do not slip.

<sup>32</sup> The wicked watches for the righteous  
and seeks to put him to death.

<sup>33</sup> The Lord will not abandon him to his power  
or let him be condemned when he is brought to trial.

<sup>34</sup> Wait for the Lord and keep his way,  
and he will exalt you to inherit the land;  
you will look on when the wicked are cut off.

<sup>35</sup> I have seen a wicked, ruthless man,  
spreading himself like a green laurel tree.<sup>[d]</sup>

<sup>36</sup> But he passed away,<sup>[e]</sup> and behold, he was no  
more;

though I sought him, he could not be found.

<sup>37</sup> Mark the blameless and behold the upright,  
for there is a future for the man of peace.

<sup>38</sup> But transgressors shall be altogether destroyed;  
the future of the wicked shall be cut off.

<sup>39</sup> The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord;  
he is their stronghold in the time of trouble.

<sup>40</sup> The Lord helps them and delivers them;  
he delivers them from the wicked and saves them,  
because they take refuge in him.

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### REVERENCE

#### *God's praiseworthy attributes:*

- Protects and provides for his people. – vv. 1-4
- Worthy of praise. – vv. 3, 18, 20, 22, 40
- God is our refuge. – vv. 22, 24, 40
- He is trustworthy and righteous. – vv. 3, 5, 29, 39
- Protects us from evil. – vv. 9, 20, 22, 28
- Watches over his people. – vv. 11, 18, 23, 32, 33
- Delivers from all fear. – vv. 34, 39, 40
- Delivers us out of trouble. – vv. 39, 40
- Has an inheritance for his people. – vv. 18, 22, 29
- Source of peace. – v. 37
- He is holy. – vv. 17, 40

#### POSSIBLE PRAYER PROMPTS:

### REVERENCE

- Lord, I praise you in the midst of my problems because you are \_\_\_\_\_.
- Thank you for protecting my family from evil...
- I worship you for being my provider...
- I praise you Lord because You have delivered me from...
- I praise you because you have an inheritance for me...
- Thank you for being my refuge...
- Lord, I fear/reverence You because You...

### RESPONSE

- I confess I do not trust you when...
- I confess that I am becoming weary...
- I confess my faith gets weak when...
- I confess that I want to strike back at my enemies...
- I confess my anger to you...

### REQUESTS

- Lord turn my worry into worship...
- Lord help me to pray for my enemies...
- Help me to be patient with....
- Help me to stop leaning on my own understanding...
- Give me grace to seek and pursue peace this week with...
- Teach me how to turn to you in my time of need...
- Teach me how to be patient and refrain from anger...

### READINESS

- Lord, I am trusting you in spite of...
- Lord, I will trust you to provide for ...
- Lord, give me grace not to fear...
- Lord, I will trust you and be patient in...

### **Monthly Prayer Focus: "Revolution on our Knees"** **30 Days of Prayer for Neighbors and Nations**

#### POSSIBLE PRAYER POINTS:

- Ask God to pour out His Spirit upon you, your church, and the Body of Christ worldwide.
- Ask God to give you the strength to be faithful to all He has called you to be and do.
- Ask God to receive your thanks for His faithfulness in your life.