

WEEKLY PRAYER GUIDE – PRAYING THE NAMES OF JESUS

Jesus: The Door

Week 11 – February 6, 2011

Prayer Focus:

I am the door; by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved and shall go in and out, and find pasture.
John 10:9

We walk through doors multiple times each day. The act of entering and exiting is routine; we rarely consider the many doors we pass through on a given day. Home, church, workplaces, school, and the marketplace offer various thresholds of fellowship, provision, enterprise, and learning. Of all the familiar and new doors through which we pass, no door offers what Jesus offers.

Jesus is The Door. When we enter into a relationship with Jesus by receiving Him as Saviour for our sins, we enter a realm like no other. Immediately sins are forgiven. At once, there is sanctification. In a blink, the Holy Spirit is inside of us filling us with supernatural power and an everlasting assurance of hope and promise. We receive all of this when we receive Jesus as Saviour. But there is more.

Because Jesus is The Door, when we have Him and He has us, we have unlimited access to His love, affection, guidance, and Truth. Jesus knows us—completely. He knows that while we are His own, we need to occupy our thoughts with Jesus. He knows that even though we are saved, we stumble. We trip over ourselves, others, circumstances, and wind up on the cement reality that we cannot walk in our own strength but require the certain daily presence of Jesus to renew and strengthen us. And He does. His Spirit of love, forgiveness, promise, and hope are ours for all time and all places. We have only to go to Him to receive a welcome, a belonging, to warm and revitalize our spirits.

This week let us be mindful of all the doors we pass through; the places we visit out of necessity or want. Consider Jesus the Door, the One walking with us and the One who sustains us for every exit and entrance we make. Be sensitive to new thresholds you walk through this week and opt to pray over new homes and businesses you enter. In that physical structure are souls. Beyond obvious reasons for being there, the Lord has other plans that only supernatural power can bring to fruition. God has purposes far beyond what we can see. Someone you meet on the other side of a door may be getting a touch of God's love for the very first time—and you are the one delivering it.

Lord Jesus, You continuously provide love, peace, and hope for those who love You. When we abide in Your dear presence, we experience peaceful pasture and live in a freedom unmatched. Lord, Thank You for being with us in all of our crossings through doors old and new, and for being our Door of Deliverance in every way. In Thee, Amen.

Weekly Faith Challenge – Go to a home or a business you have never been to before. Go with intention to visit that person you have been putting off, and that errand you never seem to find time for because that shop is not convenient. Schedule in your agenda this week to deliberately go through a new door. Pray over when you will go and for the person/s you will see. Ask the Holy Spirit to direct your steps and your words. He will. Then follow through, trusting wholly on the supernatural guidance of the Spirit to fulfill this mission. You may or may not be given to see what transpired in the spiritual realm. This matters not. What matters is your obedience to fulfill the faith challenge. You can trust the Lord for the outcome—for your faith walk and for the faith walk of someone else.

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