

IMMANUEL

GOD WITH US

CONNECTION PRAYER MODEL

This model for prayer tunes our ears to “hear” his voice for us today – not necessarily audibly or in clear sentences, but by “listening” with our spirits for ideas, impressions, word pictures, scriptures, or true statements that line up with God’s character as he has revealed himself in Scripture.

The best way to prime our minds to think with God is to start with gratitude and appreciation. The more you savor the goodness of a gift or a joyful, peaceful or powerful moment, the more open your mind will be to perceive whatever God is communicating with you.

1. **God, what is a gift you’ve given to me recently?** (i.e. Someone’s kindness, something beautiful or skillful or timely, a moment that’s especially peaceful or joyful, a time when you knew God was with you. Notice what comes to mind, describe what you saw, heard, smelled, tasted, felt; what emotions you felt and how your body feels remembering it; thank God for it, and enjoy it again)
2. **God, why did you want to give me that gift?** (Notice any thoughts, ideas, words, pictures, scripture verses, song lyrics, or impressions that come to mind)
3. **God, what do you want me to know about You?**
4. **God, what do you want me to know about the things that concern me today?**

2026

April PRAYER

Celebrating Salvation

The purpose of this prayer guide is to offer an on-ramp into talking with your Father in Heaven. It's not all that prayer can be, but it is a start. Even if all you have is 2 minutes, that's ok. But if the Holy Spirit draws you in, let Him lead as the conversation continues. On the back page, you'll find guidance to enrich your prayer journey further. For those interested in engaging with **Monthly Scripture, read through 1 & 2 Thessalonians.**

Wed. Apr. 1	Total Depravity - Without you, Lord, we are completely lost. Shine your light into our darkness.
Thur. Apr. 2	Unconditional Election - Jesus, the gift of eternal life is a gift you have given, not based on anything we have done.
Fri. Apr. 3	Limited Atonement - Your justice, Lord, is perfect - your judgement is without flaw.
Mon. Apr. 6	Irresistable Grace - When you speak, Father, who can deny you - what you declare will be.
Tues. Apr. 7	Perseverance of Saints - Jesus, remind me today that nothing can separate me from God's love through you.

Wed. Apr. 8	Deep Need - Lord, when I believe I've got it all figured out, remind me of my deepest need - you.
Thur. Apr. 9	God's Awareness - There is no where that we can hide from you, Father, no height or depth so great.
Fri. Apr. 10	Unconditional Love - Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens - your faithfulness stretches to the skies.
Mon. Apr. 13	Suffering Servant - As we have celebrated Easter, Jesus, we are reminded of your great sacrifice.
Tues. Apr. 14	Atoning Power - Lord, you have taken our sins upon you...you have paid the price for my salvation.
Wed. Apr. 15	Jesus: Messiah - Jesus, Messiah, you are the Anointed One who has defeated death and redeemed the world.
Thur. Apr. 16	Jesus: Rock of Salvation - Jesus, only on you do we stand secure...only through you are we strengthened every day.
Fri. Apr. 17	Jesus: Deliverer - Jesus, deliver us from evil today and give us strength against the evil one.
Mon. Apr. 20	Jesus: Man of Sorrows - Jesus, your sacrifice is the source of our life, your sorrow is the beginning of our hope.
Tues. Apr. 21	Jesus: Dayspring - As the sun rises in the east, Jesus you are the dawning light of creation, shine today in my life.

Wed. Apr. 22	Jesus: Second Adam - Our sin is ever before us as inheritors of Adam's fall, but you have secured our forgiveness.
Thur. Apr. 23	Jesus: Horn of Salvation - Jesus, you are God's power and source of strength, deliverance, and victory.
Fri. Apr. 24	Jesus: Rose of Sharon - In contrast to the thorns of sin, you Jesus are beautiful, healing, and gracious.
Mon. Apr. 27	Jesus: Resurrection & Life - Jesus, when I am struggling, worn down, and lost, you restore my life.
Tues. Apr. 28	Jesus: Morning Star - Jesus Christ, Bright Morningstar, shine down upon your people this day and light our way.
Wed. Apr. 29	Jesus: Redeemer - Jesus, there is no way I can save myself - thanks be to God for your redemption power.
Thur. Apr. 30	Jesus: Friend - Jesus friend of sinners, you came to save the lost...you came to show me the way.

There are many different ways to engage in prayer... contemplative, bold, out loud, silently, with a group, or solo. Through meditation, repetition, spontaneously, or through pre-written words. We can pray standing, sitting, lying down, or on a walk. There are models developed to help people pray well...the Lord's Prayer is one of them. The next page is another. If it helps you to have some guidance for prayer, try the steps on the next page to guide you in talking with the Lord.

Ephesians 6:10 "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power."