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A Letter from Germaine

Dear Friend,

It was 1980 when Harrison House first published *Prayers That Avail Much*[®]. The original book was a collection of prayers the Holy Spirit orchestrated from the depths of my heart and the pages of God's Word as my husband, Everette, and I faced great adversity fighting for the life of our son who had become addicted to drugs and alcohol.

Those many years ago, we recognized that the personality of our intelligent, charismatic son was changing, and we had begun a search for help. We had heard about a hospital that was a rehabilitation center for those wanting to recover from their addictions. Today, I realize the psychiatrist we consulted knew that we were parents seeking help for our son who was not seeking help.

The cost of the required six-month stay was astronomical, but we were willing to mortgage our home and whatever else it might take to rescue our son. As we drove home, the last words spoken to us by the psychiatrist hung there in space: "I cannot guarantee you anything. After six months in rehab, your son may walk out drug-free or just the same."

Silence carried me as we climbed in the car and drove toward home. Finally, I said, "I know Someone who offers a guarantee, and I suggest we believe God's Word and trust Him for David's deliverance." I knew that my pragmatic husband would consider all sides of the issue before speaking. The next day we decided against rehab and affirmed our faith in God, who knew the kinds of prayer that would be required before David would be ready to choose between life and death.

Only three years before, I had an experience with God that had drastically changed my life. I knew full well that Jesus was not a myth. He was real and to know Him is to know God. God talked to me through the pages of the Bible, and I talked to Him. I was just “hanging out with God.” God loved me, and I loved Him. Life was exciting as I learned more of God and His Word. And when trouble knocked at our door, I knew the One who had the answers.

My Holy Ghost bubble was shattered when the drug epidemic of the 1970s invaded our home, and I turned to God for answers. The day came when I made the decision to trust God and count it all joy! It was not easy, but my son’s life was threatened by the thief who comes to steal, kill, and destroy. By this time in my life, I knew that I knew that God hears and answers prayers according to His will. Though I knew nothing about spiritual warfare or the prayer of intercession, I embarked on another level of Bible study and practiced prayer.

Even though no one else seemed to notice, I questioned our son’s strange behavior and cried out, “Lord, teach me to pray!” This was the beginning of my education and training in the art of intercessory prayer. It was all trial and error. I made mistakes, and those mistakes were stepping stones to exciting prayer revelations. I lived in the pages of the Bible, and my mind was expanded to understand the dividing of soul and spirit so I could cooperate with my Divine Teacher who knows the mind of the Father (see Rom. 8:26-28 NLT).

During chaos, I had peace and joy. Then one day, after another session with the school counselor about David, I drove home and made my way to the bedroom where I dissolved into a pool of tears completely broken. The Voice which I had learned to recognize responded to my anguish, “You are broken, but not crushed. I will put you back together.” Later, while reading the Bible, I learned that my outpouring of emotions was made up of tears from a mother’s broken heart plus tears from a spirit

of travail. Hannah, a woman who lived long before me, had also been broken-hearted, and God answered her prayer (see 1 Sam. 1).

There is power in agreement, and my constant prayerful study revealed *two* divine intercessors who were praying. My focus changed from “deliverance from drugs” to David’s divine destiny and his eternal salvation. Jesus was praying for David. Satan had come to sift him like wheat, but Jesus pleaded in prayer for him that David’s faith should not fail, and when he had come through he would strengthen others (see Luke 22:31-33 NLT).

INTERCESSOR IN TRAINING

Little did I understand the depth of all that was happening with me. I became addicted to reading my Bible, seeking the face of my Father that I might know Him. And I prayed. Having prayed ineffectual prayers in the past, I searched for effectual prayers. I searched for answers from my Father who loved David and me. I learned to recognize the voice of God, and my life motto took on more meaning: *To be ever learning, ever growing, and ever achieving to the glory of the Father.*

Born in 1934, I can now look back over my life and connect the dots—the events that have led me to where I am today. Sometimes David and I talk about the millions who are experiencing emotional and physical healing and transformation as they pray scriptural prayers written from the heart of a mother who searched out God’s answers to life’s challenges.

A fellow believer who was the local director of the Atlanta chapter of a national Christian organization asked me to teach one of their home Bible studies. Ladies came to study the Bible with me and soon the very first prayer group was formed. We were surprised when people from far and near sent in prayer requests. Together we searched the Scriptures for answers. Volume I of *Prayers That Avail Much* was penned by members of that first prayer group and me.

WRITING SCRIPTURAL PRAYERS

The first “little yellow book” with its mission to equip pray-ers circulated far and wide and turned up in unusual places. Since then, in response to personal requests for additional written prayers, the Lord has orchestrated many more books of scriptural prayers and now millions are learning to stand and pray with confidence and boldness. They are offering their petitions to the Father with thanksgiving, and the testimonies we receive continue to come in.

This classic collection of three prayer volumes is designed to enhance your ability to pray effectively for specific needs and prepare you to go out into the marketplace as a living witness empowered by the Holy Spirit. Whether you are a seasoned pray-er or a novice, never forget the power of prayer. It is the very foundation that enables you to go from faith to faith and glory to glory. My dear pray-er, you are a world-changer—strong in the Lord and the power of His might!

Proclaim his majesty, all you mighty champions, you sons of Almighty God, giving all the glory and strength back to him! Be in awe before his majesty. Be in awe before such power and might! Come worship wonderful Yahweh, arrayed in all his splendor, bowing in worship as he appears in the beauty of holiness. Give him the honor due his name. Worship him wearing the glory-garments of your holy, priestly calling!
(Psalm 29:1-2 TPT)

Always remember, you have a friend praying for you!

Sincerely in His Love,
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To Rejoice in the Lord

FATHER, this is the day the You have made. I rejoice and I am glad in it! I rejoice in You always. And, again, I say rejoice. I delight myself in You, Lord. Happy am I because You are my Lord!

Father, thank You for loving me and rejoicing over me with joy. Hallelujah! I am redeemed. I come with singing, and everlasting joy is upon my head. I obtain joy and gladness—sorrow and sighing flee away. The spirit of rejoicing, joy, and laughter is my heritage. Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty—freedom and emancipation from bondage. I walk in that liberty.

Father, I praise You with joyful lips. I am ever filled and stimulated with the Holy Spirit. I speak out in psalms and hymns and make melody with all my heart to You, Lord. My happy heart is a good medicine and my cheerful mind works healing. The light in my eyes rejoices the hearts of others. I have a good report. My countenance radiates the joy of the Lord.

Father, I thank You that I bear much prayer fruit. I ask in Jesus' name, and I will receive, so that my joy, gladness, and delight may be full, complete, and overflowing. The joy of the Lord is my *strength*. Therefore, I count it all joy, all strength, when I encounter tests or trials of any sort because I am strong in You, Father.

I have the *victory* in the name of Jesus. Satan is under my feet. I am not moved by adverse circumstances. I have been made the righteousness of

God in Christ Jesus. I dwell in the Kingdom of God and have peace and joy in the Holy Spirit! Praise the Lord! In Jesus' name I pray, amen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Psalm 118:24 • Philippians 4:8 • Philippians 4:4 • Proverbs 15:13
Philippians 3:1 • John 15:7-8 • Psalm 144:15 • John 16:23
Zephaniah 3:17 • Nehemiah 8:10 • Isaiah 51:11 • James 1:2
2 Corinthians 3:17 • Ephesians 6:10 • James 1:25 • 1 John 5:4
Psalm 63:5 • Ephesians 1:22 • Ephesians 5:18-19
2 Corinthians 5:7 • Proverbs 17:22 • 2 Corinthians 5:21
Proverbs 15:30 • Romans 14:17



To Live Free from Worry

FATHER, I thank You that I have been delivered from the power of darkness and translated into the Kingdom of Your dear Son. I choose to live free from worry in the name of Jesus, for the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me *free* from the law of sin and death.

I humble myself under Your mighty hand that in due time You may exalt me. I cast the whole of my cares—all my anxieties, all my worries, all my concerns (name them)—once and for all on You. You care for me affectionately and care about me watchfully. You sustain me. You will never allow the consistently righteous to be moved—made to slip, fall, or fail!

Father, I delight myself in You, and You perfect that which concerns me.

I cast down imaginations, reasonings, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of You, and I bring into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. I strip off every weight that slows me down, especially the sin that so easily trips me up. And I run with endurance the race God has set before me. I do this by keeping my eyes on Jesus, the Champion, who initiates and perfects my faith.

I thank You, Father, that You are able to keep that which I have committed unto You. I fix my mind on those things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, virtuous, and deserving of praise. I will not let my heart be troubled. I abide in Your Word, and Your Word

abides in me. Therefore, Father, I do *not* forget what manner of person I am. I look into the perfect law of liberty and continue therein, being *not* a forgetful hearer, but a *doer of the Word* and, thus, blessed in my doing!

Thank You, Father. *I am carefree*. I walk in that peace that passes all understanding, in Jesus' name! Amen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Colossians 1:13 • Hebrews 12:1-2 NLT • Romans 8:2 • 2 Timothy 1:12
1 Peter 5:6-7 AMPC • Philippians 4:8 • Psalm 55:22 • John 14:1
Psalm 138:8 • James 1:22-25 • 2 Corinthians 10:5 • Philippians 4:6



Praise:
“For Yours Is the Kingdom,
and the Power, and the Glory”

COME, let us tell of the Lord’s greatness; let us exalt His name together.

Father God, Your way is perfect! The Word of the Lord is tested and tried, and You are a shield to all those who take refuge and put their trust in You.

I pray my spoken words and unspoken thoughts be pleasing to You, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Your Word has revived me and given me life.

Forever, O Lord, Your Word is settled in heaven.

Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

The sum of Your Word is truth, and every one of Your righteous decrees endures forever.

Father, I will praise Your name for Your loving-kindness and for Your truth and faithfulness. You have exalted above all else Your name and Your Word, and You have magnified Your Word above all Your name!

Father, let my prayer be as the evening sacrifice that burns like fragrant incense, rising as my offering to you as I lift up my hands in surrendered

worship. Father, give me grace to guard my lips from speaking what is wrong.

I bring an offering of praise and thanksgiving to honor and glorify You, for Your Word says that true praise is a worthy sacrifice that really honors You. I'm overflowing with Your praise for all You've done, and Your splendor thrills me all day long.

Your tender mercies mean more to me than life itself. How I love and praise You, my Father. Daily I will worship You passionately and with all my heart. My arms will wave to You like banners of praise.

Your commandments are my counselors; Your Word is my light and delight. In Jesus' name, I pray, amen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Psalm 34:3 NLT • Psalm 138:2 • Psalm 18:30 • Psalm 141:2-3
Psalm 19:14 TLB • Psalm 50:23 TLB • Psalm 119:50
Psalm 71:8 TPT • Psalm 119:89 • Psalm 63:3-4 TPT • Psalm 119:105
Psalm 119:24 TPT • Psalm 119:160



Giving Thanks to God

GOD saw you when you were in your mother's womb (see Ps. 139:13-16). He knew your mother and father and the circumstances of the home where you were to grow up. He knew the schools you would attend and the neighborhood in which you would live.

God gave you the ability to survive and walked with you through good times and bad. He gave you survival techniques and guardian angels to keep and protect you (see Ps. 91:11). He chose you before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blame before Him in love (see Eph. 1:4).

He cried with you when you cried. He laughed with you when you laughed. He was grieved when you were misunderstood and treated unfairly. He watched and waited, looking forward to the day when you would receive Jesus as your Savior. To as many as received Him gave He the power, the right, and the authority to become the sons of God (see John 1:12 AMPC). He longs for your fellowship, desiring for you to know Him more and more intimately.

Your survival techniques were probably different than mine. Whatever they were, and whatever your life may have been like up to this point, the peace of God can change the regrets and the wounds of the past into thanksgiving and praise. You can experience wholeness by earnestly and sincerely praying this prayer.

I. DAILY PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Father, I come to You in the name of Jesus. With the help of the Holy Spirit and by Your grace, I join with the heavenly host making a joyful noise to You and serving You with gladness! I come before Your presence with singing!

Lord, I know (perceive, recognize, and understand with approval) that You are God! It is You who made us, not we ourselves, and we are Yours! We are Your people and the sheep of Your pasture.

Father, I enter into Your gates with thanksgiving and present an offering of thanks. I enter into Your courts with praise! I am thankful and delight to say so. I bless and affectionately praise Your name! For You are good, and Your mercy and loving-kindness are everlasting. Your faithfulness and truth endure to all generations. It is a good and delightful thing to give thanks to You, Most High.

Lord, by Your Holy Spirit, perfect the fruit of my lips. Help me draw thanksgiving forth from my innermost resources; reach down into the most secret places of my heart that I may offer significant thanksgiving to You, Father.

Thank You for my parents who gave me life. I am grateful for the victories and achievements I have experienced in spite of my hurts—the bruises and the abuses that boxed me in when I was a small child. You used them for good even though Satan intended them for my destruction. Father, I refuse to be a critic full of bias toward my parents, former teachers, and counselors. Forgive me for blaming them for my mistakes and failures. Judging them has not served me well. Today, I choose to overturn my table of judgment and let go of my grievances toward others. I choose to surrender to love that holds no record of wrong.

Thank You for Your grace, which is teaching me to trust myself and others. Thank You for life—life in all its abundance. It was You who gave me a desire to pray, and I am grateful for the prayer closet where we meet.

Thank You for Your Word. Life is exciting, and I am grateful that I am alive for such a time as this.

Thank You for past and present relationships. I learn from both those who oppose me and those who are for me. You taught me to recognize and understand my strengths and weaknesses. You gave me discernment and spiritual understanding. I enter Your gates with thanksgiving in my heart. You are my Father, and I am Your child, loved by You unconditionally. I rejoice in You, Lord, and give thanks to You every time I reflect on Your holiness. I am an overcomer by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of my testimony. In the name of Jesus, amen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Psalm 100:1-5 AMP • Matthew 7:1-5 TPT • Philippians 2:13
Psalm 92:1 AMP • Esther 4:14 • Psalm 138:8 • Psalm 100:4
Hebrews 13:15 • Philippians 3:1 • Genesis 50:20 NIV
Psalm 30:4 TPT • John 10:10 • Revelation 12:11



II. PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR FOOD EATEN WHILE TRAVELING

Father, I ask for the wisdom to order that which is healthy and nourishing to my body.

In the name of Jesus, I resist the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eye as I scan the menu. When I am in doubt about what I am to order, I will pause and ask for wisdom, which You will give generously without finding fault with me.

Should I unknowingly eat or drink any deadly thing, it will not harm me, for the Spirit of life makes me free from the law of sin and death.

Father, everything You have created is good. We should not reject any of it but receive it with thanks. It is made acceptable by the Word of God and prayer.

I receive this food with thanksgiving and will eat the amount that is sufficient for me. In the name of Jesus, amen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

James 1:5 • Romans 8:2 • 1 John 2:16 • 1 Timothy 4:4-5 NLT
Mark 16:18 • Psalm 136:1,25



Victory Over Fear

FATHER, when I am afraid, I will put my confidence in You. Yes, I will trust Your promises. And because I trust You, what can mere man do to me?

You have not given me a spirit of fear but of power and love and self-control. Therefore, I am not ashamed of the testimony of my Lord. I have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but I have received a spirit of adoption as a son or daughter, by which I cry out, “Abba! Father!”

Jesus, You delivered me, who, through fear of death, had been living all my life as a slave to constant dread. I receive the gift You left me—peace of mind and heart! And the peace You give isn’t fragile like the peace the world gives. I cast away troubled thoughts, and I choose not to be afraid. I believe in You.

Lord, You are my Light and my Salvation; You protect me from danger—whom shall I fear? When evil men come to destroy me, they will stumble and fall! When besieged, I am calm as a baby. When all hell breaks loose, I’m collected and cool. My heart knows no fear because I’m confident in You!

Thank You, Holy Spirit, for bringing these things to my remembrance when I am tempted to be afraid. I will trust in my God. In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Psalm 56:3-5 TLB • Hebrews 2:15 TLB • 2 Timothy 1:7-8 TPT
John 14:1,17 TLB • Romans 8:15 NASB • Psalm 27:1-3 TLB, MSG



Knowing God's Will

FATHER, in Jesus' name, I thank You that You are instructing me in the way I should go, for all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

Thank You for Your guidance concerning Your will, Your plan, and Your purpose for my life. I do hear the voice of the Good Shepherd, for I know You and follow You. You lead me in the paths of righteousness for Your name's sake.

In the name of Jesus, I will not imitate the ideals and opinions of the culture around me, but I will be inwardly transformed by the Holy Spirit through a total reformation of how I think. This will empower me to discern Your will as I live a beautiful life, satisfying and perfect in Your eyes.

Thank You, Father, that Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. My path is growing brighter and brighter until it reaches the full light of day. As I follow You, Lord, I believe my path is becoming clearer each day.

Thank You, Father, that Jesus was made unto me wisdom. Confusion is not a part of my life. I am not confused about Your will for my life. I trust in You and lean not unto my own understanding. As I acknowledge You in all of my ways, You are directing my paths. I believe that as I trust in You completely, You will show me the path of life. In Jesus' name, amen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Romans 8:14 • Psalm 32:8 • Romans 12:2 TPT • 1 Corinthians 1:30
John 10:3-4 • 1 Corinthians 14:33 • Psalm 23:3 • Proverbs 3:5-6
Proverbs 4:18 • Psalm 16:11 • Ephesians 5:19



Praying for Your Child's Future

Note: The personal pronoun *we* may be changed to *I* when appropriate. The Holy Spirit may lead you to pray every word—or—He may add to this prayer. Sometimes, He will impress you to pause and meditate after one sentence or paragraph. Always, remember the Holy Spirit helps you pray!

FATHER, Your Word declares that children are an inheritance from You and promises peace when they are taught in Your ways. We dedicate _____ to You today, that he/she may be raised as You would desire and will follow the path You would choose. As we pray Your Word, it goes out and will not return unto You void but will accomplish what it says it will do.

Heavenly Father, as parents we choose to train _____ in the way he/she should go, trusting in the promise that he/she will not depart from Your ways but will grow and prosper in them. We choose to parent according to Your Word, turning the care and burden of raising him/her over to You. Father, we stand together and ask You to help us during trying experiences to raise them up with loving discipline and counsel that will bring the revelation of Jesus our Lord before them. We pray that we will not exasperate _____. We choose to teach our children to do all to the glory of God. Your grace is sufficient to overcome my mistakes as a parent.

I ask You to create within the heart of my child, _____, a desire to be obedient and honor both his/her parents, being able to accept the abundant promises of Your Word of long life and prosperity. You have not given him/her a spirit of fear, but of power, of love, and a sound mind. I

pray that _____ will choose to walk in pathways of righteousness, unafraid to honor and keep Your Word. May our children keep trusting You and do what is right in Your eyes and fix their hearts on Your promises so they will be secure, feasting on Your faithfulness.

We surround them with faith in You and Your Word praying they will always stand convinced that You are the Almighty God. I am thankful that as _____ grows, he/she will remember You and not pass by the opportunity of a relationship with Your Son, Jesus. Your great blessings will be upon _____ for keeping Your ways. I thank You for Your blessings over every area of _____'s life, that You will see to the salvation and obedience of his/her life to Your ways.

Heavenly Father, we thank You now that laborers will be sent into _____'s path, preparing the way for salvation, as it is written in Your Word, through Your Son, Jesus. We are thankful that _____ will recognize the traps of the devil and will be delivered to salvation through the purity of Your Son. With hearts of thanksgiving, we believe that our children have become Your poetry, re-created in Christ Jesus to fulfill their destiny that You have given to each one. Even before _____ was born You created and planned in advance for their destiny and the good works they will do to fulfill it!

We pray that just as Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, You would bless _____ with the same wisdom and pour out Your favor and wisdom openly to him/her.

We praise You in advance for _____'s future spouse. Father, Your Word declares that you desire for children to be pure and honorable, waiting upon marriage. We speak blessings to the future union and believe that _____ will be well-suited to his/her partner and their household will be in godly order, holding fast to the love of Jesus Christ. Continue to prepare _____ to be the man/woman of God that You desire him/her to be.

We ask You to grant the grace to _____ to be diligent and hardworking, never being lazy or undisciplined. Your Word promises great blessing to his/her house, and he/she shall always be satisfied and will always increase. Godliness is profitable unto his/her house, and _____ shall receive the promise of life and all that is to come.

Father, thank You for protecting and guiding my child. In Jesus' name I pray, amen.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Psalm 127:3 • Matthew 7:14 • Isaiah 54:13 • Luke 2:52
Isaiah 55:11 • Hebrews 13:4 • Proverbs 22:6 • 1 Thessalonians 4:3
1 Peter 5:7 • Ephesians 5:22-25 • Ephesians 6:4 • 2 Timothy 1:13
Deuteronomy 6:7 • Proverbs 13:11 • 2 Corinthians 12:9
Proverbs 20:13 • Ephesians 6:1-3 • Romans 12:11 • 2 Timothy 1:12
1 Timothy 4:8 • Proverbs 8:17,32 • 1 John 3:8 • Luke 19:10
John 10:10 • Matthew 9:38 • Psalm 37:3 TPT • Ephesians 2:10 TPT
Matthew 18:18 • 2 Corinthians 2:11 • John 14:13 • 2 Timothy 2:26
Psalm 91:1,11 • Job 22:30





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