

POSITIVE OPTIONS

DECEMBER 20 25

WEEK 1

A PRAYER ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S LORDSHIP OVER ALL

My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways... so is my word that goes out from my mouth: it will not return to me empty. — Isaiah 55:8-11

Gracious God, just as you moved people from their thirst and longings to fulfillment, peace, and joy, remind us that your ways are higher than our ways. You have created each of us for such a time as this, help us build a vibrant community where every life is valued, loved, protected, and transformed through the gospel of Jesus Christ. Amen.

WEEK 3

A PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO ARE OVER LOOKED

Perhaps, some of you remember learning the children's song "Zacchaeus was a wee little man, and a wee little man was he..." — Luke 19

Lord Jesus, who are the Zacchaeus' among us—written off, cast aside, or just curious? Thank you for letting us meet people in our communities who have been judged, shunned, and are seeking answers. May we be faithful in providing support that builds healthy, happy families and breaks cycles of poverty, dysfunction, and abuse. Amen.

WEEK 2

A PRAYER RECOGNIZING GOD'S LOVE AND SACRIFICE

Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. — Ephesians 5:1-2

Heavenly Father, thank you for this reminder from the Apostle Paul to the church in Ephesus to love kids and keep them as the focal part of our gospel-centered ministry. Amen.

WEEK 4

A PRAYER FOR MEN TO RISE UP

"A number of years ago, I attended a Promise Keepers event where the late Dr. Howard Hendricks shared a message that has stayed with me. He said every man needs three people in their life: a Paul, an older man who mentors and shares life lessons; a Barnabas, someone who loves but keeps you honest; and a Timothy, a younger man you can build into." Garry Markvluer

Faithful Lord, we thank you for the men in our lives and ask that You raise up the Pauls, Barnabases, and Timothys who will guide future generations. Amen.

Merry Christmas
& Happy New Year

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