

PRAYERS FOR

# *The Lord Will Have His Way*

**ALMIGHTY GOD, WHOSE SON, JESUS CHRIST, TAUGHT US TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS AND TO SEEK YOUR TRUTH ABOVE ALL, WE COME BEFORE YOU SEEKING YOUR POWER AND GUIDANCE.**

**MAY OUR LOVE HAVE POWER OVER HATE. JUST AS YOUR GENTLE WAYS CAUSE OUR HEARTS TO BREAK, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE THAT TRANSFORMS AND HEALS, EVEN IN THE FACE OF HATRED.**

**LET THE WORD OF GOD OPEN OUR EYES, THAT WE MAY SEE CLEARLY AND WALK IN YOUR LIGHT, DISCERNING TRUTH FROM FALSEHOOD.**

**THE LORD WILL HAVE HIS WAY. THOUGH THE NATIONS RAGE AND PLOT IN VAIN, WE TRUST IN YOUR SOVEREIGNTY AND KNOW THAT YOUR PLANS WILL PREVAIL.**

**MAY HIS PEACE HAVE POWER OVER WAR. CALM THE VIOLENT STORMS WITHIN AND AROUND US WITH YOUR VOICE, BRINGING YOUR PEACE THAT SURPASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING.**

**MAY OUR HOPE HAVE POWER OVER FEAR. WITH YOUR WARM EMBRACE, HOLD EACH TEAR, REMINDING US THAT OUR ULTIMATE HOPE IS IN YOU AND NOT IN THE FLEETING POWERS OF THIS WORLD.**

**ANCHOR OUR SOULS TO OUR TRUE HOPE, WHICH ENTERS INTO THE THRONE OF THE PRINCE OF PEACE. STRENGTHEN US TO LIVE AS FAITHFUL CITIZENS OF YOUR KINGDOM, EVEN IF THE EARTH GIVES WAY AND FALLS INTO THE SEA.**

**IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST, WHO DWELLS WITH YOU IN THE UNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER, AMEN.**

LYRICS FOR

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MAY HIS TRUTH HAVE POWER OVER LIES

THE LORD WILL HAVE HIS WAY  
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THOUGH THE NATIONS RAGE THEY WILL PLOT IN VAIN  
BUT THE LORD WILL HAVE HIS WAY

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MAY THE VOICE OF GOD CALM THE VIOLENT STORM  
MAY HIS PEACE HAVE POWER OVER WAR

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WITH A WARM EMBRACE HE WILL HOLD EACH TEAR  
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PRAYERS FOR  
*The Kingdom of Jesus*

**ALMIGHTY GOD, WHOSE SON, JESUS CHRIST,  
TAUGHT US THAT THOSE WHO SEEK TO SAVE  
THEIR LIVES WILL LOSE THEM,  
BUT THOSE WHO LOSE THEIR LIVES  
FOR HIS SAKE WILL FIND THEM,  
FORGIVE US FOR ASCRIBING TO OUR POLITICAL LEADERS  
POWER THAT BELONGS TO YOU ALONE.  
ANCHOR OUR SOULS TO OUR TRUE HOPE  
THAT ENTERS INTO THE THRONE OF THE PRINCE OF PEACE,  
SO THAT IF THE EARTH GIVES WAY AND FALLS INTO THE SEA,  
WE WILL BE STRENGTHENED TO LIVE  
AS FAITHFUL CITIZENS OF YOUR KINGDOM.  
IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST,  
WHO DWELLS WITH YOU IN THE UNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT,  
ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER, AMEN.**

LYRICS FOR  
*The Kingdom of Jesus*

TO WHAT SHALL WE COMPARE THE KINGDOM OF JESUS IF NOT A SEED? IT'S SMALL, IT'S SOWN,  
IT'S TENDED AND GROWN AND IT'S STURDY IN YOU AND ME.  
ITS BRANCHES NEVER BREAK, AND ITS FRUIT NEVER WITHERS.

HIS KINGDOM IS NOT OF THIS WORLD, NOR OF ANY,  
A KINGDOM WHOSE RULER'S FACE IS ON A PENNY.  
HE COMES TO MAKE ALL THINGS BRIGHT, PUT A NEW WINE IN US.

HE'S CHOSEN THE SMALL THINGS TO OUTLAST THE GREAT,  
THE MEEK AND THE MERCIFUL TO SHINE THROUGH THE HATE. OH, IT SEEMS SOME DAYS THAT  
HELL AND ITS GATES ARE PREVAILING.

OH SAY CAN YOU SEE  
THE KINGDOM WITHIN US  
(IS) THE KINGDOM OF JESUS.

TO WHAT SHALL WE COMPARE  
THE SPIRIT OF THE HOUR?  
IF NOT A SWORD?  
IT FREES US, UNITES US,  
ENSLAVES AND DIVIDES US  
IN VIOLENCE. HELP US, LORD!

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A KINGDOM WHOSE RULER'S FACE IS ON A PENNY.  
HE COMES TO MAKE ALL THINGS BRIGHT,  
PUT A NEW WINE IN US.

HE'S CHOSEN THE SMALL THINGS TO OUTLAST THE GREAT,  
THE MEEK AND THE MERCIFUL TO SHINE THROUGH THE HATE.  
THOUGH, IT SEEMS SOME DAYS THAT HELL AND ITS GATES ARE PREVAILING.

OH SAY CAN'T YOU SEE  
WE HAVE ONE ALLEGIANCE  
IT'S TO THE KINGDOM OF JESUS!

HE WHO IS IN US IS GREATER  
THAN HE WHO IS IN THE WORLD  
HE WHO IS IN US IS GREATER  
AND HE' OVERCOME THE WORLD

OH, HIS KINGDOM IS NOT ONE OF SLANDER OR RAGE,  
BUT ONE THAT IS RULED BY THE LAMB WHO WAS SLAIN, AND HE'S WORTHY OF WISDOM AND  
HONOR AND GLORY AND STRENGTH.

NO PAIN, NO DIVISION, NO PUBLIC DISGRACE  
WILL COMPARE WITH SEEING THE SMILE ON HIS FACE  
AS HE WELCOMES US HOME AS CHILDREN WITH PLACES AT THE TABLE.

NEITHER DEATH NOR THREAT NOR POWER  
CAN EVER SEPARATE US  
FROM THE LOVE OF GOD FOREVER IN CHRIST JESUS.

EVERYTHING SHALL PASS AWAY  
BUT NOT THE WORD THAT'S WITHIN US.

NO, IT'S THE KINGDOM OF JESUS, THE KINGDOM OF JESUS.

PRAYERS FOR

# *Bind Us Together*

HEAVENLY FATHER,

AS WE ENTER THIS FALL SEASON, WE COME BEFORE YOU WITH HEARTS YEARNING FOR UNITY, RECONCILIATION, AND PEACE. IN A WORLD FRAUGHT WITH DIVISION AND DISCORD, WE ASK THAT YOUR SPIRIT MOVE MIGHTILY AMONG US. TEACH US, LORD, TO SEE ONE ANOTHER AS YOU SEE US—MADE IN YOUR IMAGE, DESERVING OF DIGNITY AND LOVE, EVEN WHEN WE DISAGREE.

HELP US TO BE PEACEMAKERS, AS JESUS TAUGHT US IN THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT, REFRAINING FROM ANGER AND INSTEAD CHOOSING RECONCILIATION OVER WINNING DISPUTES. MAY WE REFLECT YOUR GRACE IN OUR INTERACTIONS, ESPECIALLY IN THE HEATED MOMENTS WHEN IT IS HARDEST TO DO SO. LET OUR WORDS AND ACTIONS BE MARKED BY HUMILITY AND KINDNESS, ANCHORED NOT IN OUR OWN WISDOM, BUT IN YOUR ETERNAL TRUTH.

WE ASK THAT YOU HEAL THE WOUNDS OF OUR COMMUNITIES, BRIDGING THE GAPS THAT DIVIDE US. MAY OUR INSTITUTIONS BE PLACES OF REFUGE AND RESTORATION, WHERE COMMITMENT TO THE COMMON GOOD IS STRENGTHENED, AND WHERE YOUR LOVE IS MADE MANIFEST.

WE TRUST IN YOUR PROMISE THAT, IN CHRIST, ALL THINGS ARE BEING MADE NEW. GUIDE US IN BEING AGENTS OF THAT RENEWAL, SPREADING PEACE IN A WORLD IN DESPERATE NEED OF YOUR HEALING TOUCH.  
IN JESUS' NAME, WE PRAY. AMEN.

# *Bind Us Together*

**BIND US TOGETHER WITHIN YOUR LOVE  
BIND US TOGETHER WITHIN YOUR HOLY LOVE  
AS WE SHARED IN OUR SORROWS, WE WILL SHARE IN YOUR JOY  
BIND US TOGETHER IN LOVE**

**BIND US TOGETHER AND BE OUR PEACE  
BIND US TOGETHER AND BE OUR PERFECT PEACE  
THOUGH THE TEMPEST MAY RAGE, WE WILL REST IN YOUR JOY  
BIND US TOGETHER IN PEACE**

**BIND US TOGETHER AND GIVE US HOPE  
BIND US TOGETHER AND GIVE US ENDLESS HOPE  
THOUGH OUR TEARS WERE OUR BREAD, WE WILL FEAST IN YOUR JOY  
BIND US TOGETHER IN HOPE**

**BIND US TOGETHER AND MAKE US ONE  
BIND US TOGETHER AND MAKE US TRULY ONE  
IN YOUR LOVE, IN YOUR PEACE, IN YOUR HOPE, IN YOUR JOY  
BIND US TOGETHER AS ONE**