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# Dedication

## DEDICATION

DEAR PRECIOUS HEAVENLY FATHER,

Our hearts are overflowing with love for You, our awesome God, and it is for this reason that we dedicate this book to You and You alone. Our hearts stand in awe of Your Word, for Your Word is truth, and we thank You for all the wonderful promises that You have given us to claim. Every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever.

Oh Lord, revive everyone who seeks You, searching for answers, according to Your loving-kindness. May they receive Your blessings of peace that is promised in John 14:27, “ ‘Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you.’ ” (NKJV).

We rejoice in the blessings that will come to all those who call on You, and we pray that this book will strengthen their faith and trust in You and inspire them to have a richer, more meaningful prayer life. Most of all, may there be souls in the kingdom because of Your blessing on this book.

We give You all the praise, honor, and glory. We love You, our Savior and blessed Redeemer. AMEN.

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# INTRODUCTION

Prayer opens your heart to the presence, purpose, and power of God, your heavenly Father, your Savior, and your Comforter. You don't have to face your challenges or fight your battles alone. Prayer doesn't have to be flowery, loud, or long. One simple word, "Help!" can unleash tens of thousands of angels to meet whatever your need might be.

But the purpose of prayer is not just to petition God; it's also to increase your faith in His Word. Jesus prayed God's Word when He met temptation; He met each attack of Satan with, "It is written." There is power in the Word. And passionate prayer includes hanging on to God's promises. For God promises in Isaiah 55:11, that " 'my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it' " (NIV).

In this book you will find Bible promises that you can claim for almost every situation you may face. In addition, we have shared a prayer, using our favorite promises, and then we list additional texts for you to consider and claim. We challenge you to look up these texts, highlight them in your Bible, and refer to them often. As you do this, you'll find yourself enjoying a more passionate prayer life with our Lord and Savior and experiencing the truth of Matthew 21:22 that " 'whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive' " (NKJV). For "the LORD is faithful to all his promises and loving toward all he has made" (Psalm 145:13, NIV).

# ACCEPTANCE

DEAR HEAVENLY FATHER,

More than anything, I want to be accepted for who I am, not for how I look or the things I have. Yet no matter how hard I try, I often feel like an outsider and unworthy of close relationships. It's as if I'm not as good as others and don't deserve to be accepted by them. And so I turn to You, Lord, because I know You'll never reject me. You have reminded me in Ephesians 1:3–5 that before the creation of the world You adopted me into Your family.

How special it makes me feel to be chosen by You! Oh Lord, I need You to be especially close to me today, because I'm having trouble feeling Your acceptance. I'm so thankful that my salvation is not based on feelings or good works. I'm claiming Your promise in Isaiah 41:9 that You have chosen me and not rejected me. I pray believing Your Word in 1 Samuel 12:22 that You are pleased to make me Your own.

Help me to not only feel Your acceptance but to be more accepting of others, for I know You have said in Romans 15:7 that this brings You praise. Thank You for accepting me and loving me just the way I am. In Your name—and for Your name's sake—I pray. AMEN.



## PROMISES ABOUT ACCEPTANCE

*“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who... chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will” (Ephesians 1:3–5, NIV).*

*“ ‘You are my servant’ ;  
I have chosen you and have not rejected you’ ”  
(Isaiah 41:9, NIV).*

*“ ‘For the sake of his great name the LORD will not reject his people, because the LORD was pleased to make you his own’ ”  
(1 Samuel 12:22, NIV).*

*“Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you,  
in order to bring praise to God” (Romans 15:7, NIV).*

## ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE AND PROMISES

*Job 3:17–19*

*Ps. 119:45*

*Ps. 146:7*

*Isa. 58:6*

*Isa. 61:1*

*Luke 4:18*

*John 8:31, 32*

*John 8:36*

*Acts 7:34*

*Rom. 6:6, 7, 18–22*

*Rom. 7:6*

*1 Cor. 8:9*

*2 Cor. 3:17*

*Gal. 5:1, 13*

*1 Pet. 2:16*



# ADDICTIONS

DEAR ALMIGHTY GOD,

I'm hopelessly addicted! Please set me free from the things that are controlling my life. I've been a prisoner of my own making for too long. Lord, You know I have tried to give up my bad habits but they just hang on. Even though I cringe at what I'm doing and try to tell myself I can handle it, I feel the pull of evil and find myself yielding to my carnal nature. I just can't give up these things on my own!

Why has it taken me so long to come to the conclusion that You are the only One who has the power to live inside of me and to actually break these chains that are making me a slave to things that are hurting me—and others?

My heart and soul reaches out to claim Your promises. In Psalm 146:7, I find that, “the LORD sets prisoners free” (NIV). John 8:36 says, “ ‘Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed’ ” (NKJV). I also claim John 15:7, “ ‘If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you’ ” (NKJV). And Mark 10:27 declares, “ ‘With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible’ ” (NKJV). John 8:31 and 32 say that if I hold on to Your teaching, the truth will set me free!

Oh, God, Your Word is powerful. I praise You for giving me the Bible to instruct me, to convict me, to set me free from addictions, and to offer me the assurance of salvation!

I praise Your holy name. AMEN.

## PROMISES ABOUT ADDICTIONS

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(Psalm 146:7, NIV).*

*“Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed”  
(John 8:36, NKJV).*

*“If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you,  
you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you”  
(John 15:7, NKJV).*

*“But Jesus looked at them and said, ‘With men it is impossible,  
but not with God; for with God all things are possible’ ”  
(Mark 10:27, NKJV).*

*“Jesus said, ‘If you hold to my teaching,  
you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth,  
and the truth will set you free’ ”  
(John 8:31, 32, NIV).*

### ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE AND PROMISES

<i>Deut. 24:5</i>	<i>Luke 4:18</i>	<i>Rom. 8:2, 21, 22</i>
<i>Job 3:17–19</i>	<i>John 8:31, 32</i>	<i>1 Cor. 8:9</i>
<i>Ps. 119:45</i>	<i>John 8:36</i>	<i>1 Cor. 9:1</i>
<i>Ps. 146:7</i>	<i>Acts 7:34</i>	<i>2 Cor. 3:17</i>
<i>Prov. 11:21</i>	<i>Acts 22:28</i>	<i>Gal. 5:1, 13</i>
<i>Isa. 58:6</i>	<i>Rom. 6:6, 7, 18–22</i>	<i>1 Pet. 2:16</i>
<i>Isa. 61:1</i>	<i>Rom. 7:6</i>	

# AGING

DEAR HEAVENLY FATHER,

I know my days are numbered and my life span is no longer than the width of my hand to You—as Your Word says in Psalm 39:4 and 5. But You have told me in Psalm 71:17 and 18 that even when I’m old and gray, You will not forsake me. Give me wisdom, Lord, so that I can be of a clear mind because my heart yearns to still be used by You.

My prayer is Psalm 71:9—that You will not cast me off just because I’m old, like so many tend to do with the elderly. Lord, allow me the privilege of declaring Your strength to the next generation so they will know Your power and Your love for them. In Psalm 92:12–14, You have said that the righteous will flourish like a palm tree and will bear fruit in old age. Lord, I am claiming that promise for myself.

And if it be Your will, also fulfill Your promise in Proverbs 9:11 to multiply my days and add years to my life. I ask, not for any selfish reason, but only to serve You. With every breath that is left within me, let it be used for Your honor and glory. AMEN.

## PROMISES ABOUT AGING

*“Show me, O LORD, my life’s end and the number of my days;  
let me know how fleeting is my life. You have made my days a  
mere handbreadth; the span of my years is as nothing before you.  
Each man’s life is but a breath” (Psalm 39:4, 5, NIV).*

*“O God, You have taught me from my youth;  
And to this day I declare Your wondrous works.  
Now also when I am old and grayheaded,  
O God, do not forsake me,  
Until I declare Your strength to this generation,  
Your power to everyone who is to come”  
(Psalm 71:17, 18, NKJV).*

*“Cast me not off in the time of old age;  
forsake me not when my strength faileth” (Psalm 71:9, KJV).*

*“The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, . . .  
They will still bear fruit in old age,  
they will stay fresh and green” (Psalm 92:12–14, NIV).*

*“For by me your days will be multiplied,  
And years of life will be added to you” (Proverbs 9:11, NKJV).*

## ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE AND PROMISES

*Deut. 5:33*

*Ps. 71:17, 18*

*Eccles. 11:10*

*Deut. 6:2*

*Ps. 73:24–26*

*Isa. 25:8*

*Job 12:12*

*Ps. 90:9–14*

*Isa. 46:3, 4*

*Job 19:25–27*

*Prov. 3:7, 8*

*Rom. 8:38, 39*

*Job 32:7, 8*

*Prov. 16:31*

*Rom. 14:7, 8*

*Ps. 23:4–6*

*Prov. 17:6*

*2 Cor. 4:16–18*

*Ps. 37:25*

*Prov. 20:29*

*1 Tim. 5:1*

*Ps. 48:14*

*Prov. 31:30*

*1 Pet. 4:7*

# Anger

## ANGER

DEAR LORD,

I'm really angry right now, and I'm tempted to say and do some things I shouldn't. Thank You for Your counsel in Proverbs 14:29 that it's a mistake to act impulsively. Instead, Your Word says that those who control their anger have great understanding. Lord, I need that understanding so I don't act rashly and say or do something that I'll be sorry for later. Proverbs 15:1 reminds me that harsh words will only stir up more anger!

In Nahum 1:3, You are described as slow to anger and great in power. I want to be more like You. I want to be understanding and speak softly so the problem can be resolved—but this attitude doesn't come naturally to me. So Lord, don't let me sin by allowing anger to control me as Psalm 4:4 warns. Instead, give me enough self-control to think about the situation overnight and let You fight my battles as You have promised to do in Romans 12:19.

Thank You for always being there when I need You and offering to help me through all my troubles, including the trouble I'm having right now with my anger! AMEN.

## PROMISES ABOUT ANGER

*“People with understanding control their anger;  
a hot temper shows great foolishness”  
(Proverbs 14:29, NLT).*

*“A soft answer turns away wrath,  
But a harsh word stirs up anger” (Proverbs 15:1, NKJV).*

*“The LORD is slow to anger and great in power”  
(Nahum 1:3, NKJV).*

*“Don’t sin by letting anger control you.  
Think about it overnight and remain silent” (Psalm 4:4, NLT).*

*“Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place  
to wrath; for it is written, ‘Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,’  
says the Lord” (Romans 12:19, NKJV).*

## ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE AND PROMISES

*Gen. 44:18*

*Prov. 17:28*

*Rom. 12:14, 17–21*

*Neh. 9:17*

*Prov. 19:11*

*1 Cor. 13:5*

*Ps. 37:8*

*Prov. 21:19*

*Eph. 4:26, 27*

*Ps. 145:8*

*Prov. 22:24, 25*

*Eph. 4:31, 32*

*Prov. 14:17*

*Prov. 25:28*

*Col. 3:8, 21*

*Prov. 15:18*

*Eccles. 7:9*

*Titus 1:7*

*Prov. 16:32*

*Matt. 5:22–24*

*James 1:19, 20*