# 21 Day Devotional

# Day One Acknowledging God, the Creator of Heaven and Earth

#### Scriptures to Meditate on

1 Kings 8:22-23,27; Psalm 103:1; Psalm 148, Isaiah 66:1; 2 Timothy 1:14

# Devotion

Have you ever wondered who or what created the heavens or even little things like flies and ants? If so, what caused you to think that there is someone besides God who can bring things like that into existence? Colossians 1:16 says, "for by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him." When we acknowledge the Creator of heaven and earth it leaves no room or doubt in our minds that our Heavenly Father is the creator of the Universe. Take a look around outside today, and behold the beauty of the sky and the things around you; and look at how detailed our Father God is. Don't you think that if we serve a God who is that detailed in the smallest things of His creation like a fly or a tiny ant then think of how detailed the plan must be that He has for your life? Take some time today to thank God for what He has done for us in all creation. God loves it when we brag on Him and about Him. Watch how He will begin to fill your heart with joy!

# Prayer

Father God, who is like You? There is none in heaven or on earth like our Mighty and Awesome God. O Lord, You have created all things and by You all things exist. Heaven is Your throne and the earth is Your footstool. God, we your children can not build anything large enough to contain You and Your glory, the heavens can't contain You, yet You have chosen to have Your Holy Spirit live inside of us. Thank You Father, for all the things You have done for us. Thank You, for the wonderful creation of life we partake in each day God. Lord, we acknowledge that You are God of every living thing. We say that You are God of all flesh, the Creator, the Great I Am, the Ancient of Days, and we bless Your Holy and Righteous Ways. Thank You, Father, for Your Creation.

# Day Two One Nation Truly Under God

#### Scriptures to Meditate on

Psalm 33:12-15, Psalm 52:4, Job 24:1-25

#### Devotion

Today in our society we have become passive about how and what people do, especially our own children. We now look at the wrong people do and call it right, and the good that people do, and call it bad. The word of God tells us in Psalms 33:12, "that blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." We cannot be silent as our nation slips further and further away from God. You and I are called by God to be a light in the darkness. We must never forget that regardless of the outward appearance, the scriptures are clear that there will always be more that are for us than those who are against us (2 Kings 6:17). God is watching (Proverbs 15:3) to see how we will respond to the world around us. Always remember that throughout scripture it often only took a single person seeking God's direction and help to turn the course of an entire nation. Remember the impact of Daniel, Jeremiah, and Moses. A single person's commitment could change the course of our entire nation! Will you be that person?

# Prayer

Father, first forgive me for silently standing by while watching people make bad decisions and not sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with them. Help me to not be afraid to share Your goodness to the world around me. Father, I have a desire to see my home, city, state, and country be changed by You. We want You, Lord Jesus to rule in our nation. We want what You want for our Nation so that we can continue to be blessed by You to be a blessing to other Countries. Help us dear Lord, to be a Nation who calls You our God.

# Day Three: Guidance for the President of the USA

# Devotion

The President and VP have been chosen by majority vote. It is our job as believers to keep them lifted up in prayer, whether you like the choice or not we are told in scripture to pray for them. God is the one who lifts some up and sits some down. We must understand that God has the last word and whatever decisions these two people make, our God is STILL in

control. The Bible tells us that He is the God of all flesh. So let us make a decision to pray for guidance for our leaders. Let us purpose in our hearts that we will ask the Father to lead and guide every plan, purpose, thought, and decision they make. Remember, these Leaders have a huge load to car- ry. As God's word instructs us, let us lift up those in authority over us each day. Only as our nation's leaders turn towards God can our nation remain great.

# Prayer

Lord, we pray that you will touch our president and all those who you have allowed to be in positions of leadership in our nation. May they seek and receive wisdom from you and may their steps reflect your righteousness.

If they do not know you personally, may you create circumstances in their lives that cause them to seek your saving grace and may that decision result in a relationship with you that will be a blessing to our entire nation. May your word dwell richly in their hearts and minds so that with each decision and trial that they face the Holy Spirit would be the voice speaking loudest to their hearts. In our future elections exalt those who trust in you and bring down those who reject you. Bless us so that we may bless the entire world. Bring us peace and prosperity as our nation returns to you.

Scriptures to Meditate on Psalms 1:1-3, Romans 13:1-7, 1 Timothy 2:1-4

# **Day Four Accountability**

**Scriptures to Meditate on** Psalms 1:1-3, Romans 13:1-7, 1 Timothy 2:1-4

# Devotion

No one wants to be accountable. As young children we begin to find ways to release ourselves from the accountability of others. We simply want to do what we want to do without having to deal with the consequences of our actions. However, the Word of God is clear that we owe both God and others in the Body of Christ our honest accountability.

It's an old cliché but a good one that says, "No man is an island." We simply were not designed by God to go through this life alone. This is true not only in regards to our emotional health but also our spiritual health. We require other people to stretch and push us closer and closer to God. Left alone, most people slowly move away and doing so leaves them very vulnerable to the devils lies and schemes. Ultimately those who are alone are defeated and the Kingdom of God suffers. Therefore, we need to willingly give an account of ourselves to others. Throughout this time of fasting and even through this entire year establish a relationship with someone other than your spouse to whom you are

going to be accountable. Give them permission to question you on every area of your life so that every area of your life will be pleasing to God.

# Prayer

Dear Lord, I humble myself before you and before my accountability partner. Through their involvement in my life bring me closer to you. Forgive me for the years that I wasted thinking that I could live this life without anyone's help. I commit to you and to them that this year will be my most devoted year ever as they hold me accountable to those disciplines and devotions that produce your spirit in me more and more.

# Day Five Scriptures to Meditate on Romans 12:16, Matthew 12:33-37 God wants to use you!

#### Devotion

It absolutely thrills me when I think that the God of Heaven can actually use me! We all should be very grateful to know that we can be an instrument to accomplish His will here on earth. Faithful Christians are the tools God uses to do great things that have eternal value. He uses His followers as witnesses to the entire earth to tell everyone about Him and His love. When you stop to think about it, you and I can truly alter the course of his- tory and the world. Unfortunately, some people are not being used by God because they are either unwilling or unfaithful. It is said that Leon Trotsky, who was a key part of the Communist revolution in Russia, actually attend- ed a Sunday school class one day during a visit to America. But the teacher of the class was absent that morning, and did not bother to get a substitute. So no one taught the Bible that morning, and as far as anyone knows, Trotsky never attended church again. What if someone had been faithful enough to show up that morning? It may have helped to alter history! All that God asks of us is to make ourselves available to Him. Tell the Lord today that you want to faithfully serve Him. Who knows what wonderful things might happen when you are faithful to the Lord?

#### Prayer

Dear Lord, forgive me for not being available for Your use in the Kingdom. Lord I want to be used by You to bring about change in my community.

I yield myself to You Lord, to do whatever You want me to do. In Jesus' name, Amen.

#### Day Six: What is Freedom?

# Scripture to Meditate on 2 Timothy 2:20-21, Psalm 91, and Psalm 100

# Devotion

The concept of freedom is one that most Americans would claim to comprehend. But after generations of living free, do we really understand what would be lost if just a piece of our freedom were taken away? Remember the days just after September 11, 2001?

The airlines where shut down, and air travel suffered for months. Professional football games were postponed. Large events were canceled. The security measures implemented since then have cost billions of dollars and demanded countless hours. Imagine what life would be like if we suffered a barrage of suicide bombers, truck bombs and armed assaults similar to what happens in places like Iraq and Israel. An old saying warns that you don't know what you have until it is gone. Truly, we take so much for grant- ed in this country that it is easy to lose sight of how much is at stake. We must not allow terrorists to shut us down and isolate us from the rest of the world. Our soldiers are risking (and some losing) their lives to protect our freedom. The rest of us must do our part to secure the future for our children and grandchildren, not only for the sake of our loved ones, but also for the sake of freedom. This is where our prayers for freedom and protection, not just for America, but for all those other countries like Darfur, and Israel etc. that suffer through terror everyday, become very important. We must pray for the protection of this Country. God is waiting to hear from us about everything that concerns us.

# Prayer

Thank You, Lord, for the freedom we enjoy in this country. You have blessed us beyond what we deserve. Thank you, for the gifts of transportation, recreation, financial security, and so much more. We are guilty of taking Your blessings for granted. Remind us continually of how You protect us and cause us to prosper. Help us not to squander the freedom You have bestowed upon us. Help us to protect it as the treasure that it is.

#### Day Seven: The Difference between Covering and Covering Up.

# Devotion

1 Peter 4:8, "Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers a multitude of sins." Sometimes this passage is misinterpreted to mean that our love for each other blots out our sin. Make no mistake, the only love that can cancel out sin is the love of Jesus manifested in His death on the cross. What Peter is talking about here is the unconditional love and acceptance that should be present in the Body of Christ creating an environment where we feel safe and secure to confess our sins to one another and repent. Sadly, in some church fellowships that love and acceptance is not present. This results in an environment where we dare not confess our faults to each other for fear we will become exposed and put through a gossip mill. This lack of "covering love" in the church is the spirit of the Pharisees, not that of Jesus! When Jesus encountered those struggling with sin He responded with compassion and understanding, saying "I don't condemn you." He did this, even though He is the only person who has the right to condemn sinners. You and I don't have the right. We are like the Pharisees with rocks in their hands waiting to throw them at the sinful woman; when Jesus reminded them of their own sin, one by one they dropped their stones and walked away, knowing they were every bit as guilty as her. Through the Word of God and the Holy Spirit that which is sin and that which is not sin becomes very clear. We are not a people called to turn a blind eye to sin in our lives or the lives of others. We must be willing to confront sin but we must always do that after a relationship is established and with our primary motivation being reconciliation and love and always with a eye to our own sinfulness.

# Prayer

Dear Lord, thank You for putting me in a body of believers that I can be accountable to and who won't gossip about my sins or shortcomings, but will pray with me and for me. Help us Father, Your children, to truly edify and pray for each other the way You intend for us to. In Jesus name, I pray Amen.

#### Day Eight: Salvation for the Lost

Scriptures to Meditate on Hebrew 10:24-25, 1 Thessalonians 4:11

# Devotion

Do you know of someone who does not know Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior? Chances are that you do. It may be a coworker, a friend, a neighbor, and even your own mother or father. The fact is almost every born again believer knows at least one person who is not saved. Why then do you think that God has placed you in their life? Is it to witness to them or to let your light shine before them so that they will desire to know your God? Today take time out to pray for someone specifically that you know who is not saved. Ask God to show and tell you exactly how to witness to this person or people that He has for you to share your faith. God desires for everyone to be saved.

# Prayer

Heavenly Father, I come to You now in the name of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Heavenly Father I pray for (\_\_\_\_\_\_), and the lost of the world this day and that every man, woman, and child from here to the farthest corners of the earth be saved. As I intercede, I use my faith, believing that thousands this day have the opportunity to make Jesus Christ their Lord and Savior. I ask the Lord of the harvest to thrust the perfect laborers into these lives this day to share the good news of the Gospel in a special way so that it will touch their hearts. In the name of Jesus I pray, Amen.

# **Day Nine: Your Destiny**

# Scripture to Meditate on Isaiah 52:10

# Devotion

This life is but a grain of sand on eternity's beach. Your ultimate destiny is more magnificent than you can possibly imagine. However, God wants to give you a taste of it right here in this life. He has a plan for you to accomplish. He has set you on a prearranged path with an intended destination. Has God told you to do something that looks totally impossible to your natural eyes and understanding? Do you hear God calling you to go to the left instead of the right? Step onto the path that God is calling you to, and stay on it. Every step on this path is covered in God's wisdom. Listen and watch as He guides you past every obstacle and distraction. Know that your Heavenly Father is always guiding you with His right hand.

# Prayer

Dear Lord, in my heart I submit myself to your purpose for my life. I believe that as long as my heart is stayed on you there is no way I can fail. I trust you to reveal your plan for my life. I will listen for your voice. I know that even in those time that I don't think I can hear your voice you are powerful enough to direct my life in a way that will both please you and bring glory to your name. My simple commitment is to remain submitted to you in every way I know how. In Jesus name, Amen.

# **Day Ten: Promotion**

Scriptures to Meditate on Proverbs 19:21; 20:24, John 5:20, Romans 12:2

# Devotion

No one in the Body of Christ is bound to a dead-end job. We serve a God of increase and prosperity. He will promote you to positions you never thought you could do and then give you the ability to do them better than anyone ever has. Never forget that your Father prospers everything you set your hands to do. So set your hand to the plow and don't let up. Maintain a good attitude. Don't be a complainer. Complainers are always last in the promotion line. See your present job as a proving ground. Do it as unto the Lord and to the very best of your ability, and don't be selfish. If the opportunity arises, teach others to do your job as well as you can. You will reap the benefit of sowing into someone else's life and ensure that you have a replacement when you get the promotion you've been expecting. Remember, promotion does not come from the east or the west, but promotion is from God!

# Prayer

Dear Lord, thank You for raising me from the dust (the place where I am easily driven by the wind). Thank You, Lord for delivering me from the dunghill (the place of deep and filthy poverty). You Lord have set me with kings and nobles. You, Father, have made me righteous in the earth. You have guarded my ways and given me strength to do Your will. Lord, Your word says that You are the one who promotes and I believe Your word for my life. I thank You, Father, that You have come to give me an abundant life. Amen.

#### Day Eleven: Waiting on God

#### Scriptures to Meditate on Deuteronomy 8:6-18, Psalms 75:6, 7

# Devotion

As children of God, we often find it hard to wait on God to answer our prayers. For some reason we think God needs our help in answering our prayers so we might tend to do things our own way instead of waiting on God. God's word tells us that His ways are not our ways and His thoughts are not our thoughts. So why is it hard for us to wait on God? Maybe it is because of our impatience, immaturity, or lack of trust that will cause us to jump ahead of God instead of waiting and listening for His voice. Do we really trust God to answer us when we call on Him? Are you willing to wait on the Lord to answer all your prayers, even if it takes longer than expect- ed?

#### Prayer

Father show me Your ways, Lord God, and teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me. You are the God of my salvation. I wait before You with expectant hope all the day long. Let integrity and uprightness preserve me as I wait on You. Father God, help me to remember to wait on You at all times and to be of good courage, for I know that as I do these things, You will strengthen my heart. Thank You, Father, for this precious promise from Your word. In Jesus name, Amen.

# Day Twelve: Life Balance

# Scriptures to Meditate on Psalm 25:1-5, 21; Psalm 27:14

# Devotion

Balance is not an easy thing to find and an even harder thing to regain if you lose it. We live in a very fast-paced world. Every second of our day is up for grabs and there are a lot of things vying for those seconds. We have work, recreation, family, church, children, grandchildren, appointments, friends, education, sleep, shopping, fun, holidays, vacations, sports, and the list goes on and on. If we are aren't careful, the Lord's place in our life can suddenly be found to be way down on a list full of other things.

Over and over throughout the history of the people of Israel, this is exactly what happened. God would be center to their lives and great blessing and peace would be upon the people. Time would pass, the people would begin to allow other things to crowd God out of their lives, and difficulty would befall them. It's a pattern that happened over and over. Are there many worthwhile things competing for our time, money and allegiance? Absolutely and many of them are noble, righteous things. However, even good things must not be allowed to push God from the center of our lives and the first place on all of our priority lists. God is a jealous God and he will only fill first place in our hearts. God has given us every aspect of our lives including our bodies, our time, our money, our families, our work, everything. In all of our ways let's ac- knowledge him first!

# Prayer

Father, please show me any areas where I need to reorder my priorities. Guide me to solutions that will help me live my life in a way that is pleasing to You. Jesus, I desire for my steps to be ordered in Your Word. I want to be faithful to the time You have given me on this earth. I want to please You, Lord in all that I do. Help me, Holy Spirit, not to neglect my body in which You dwell. Help me not to neglect my family by being too busy for them. Forgive me, Lord, for using my time unwisely. Thank You, Lord, for being faithful to me when I am unfaithful with the time You have given me. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

# Day Thirteen: God Works through Families

#### Scripture to Meditate on

Ecclesiastes 3:13

# Devotion

Whether we know it or not our families are a classroom for God's character traits, including forgiveness, mercy, justice, grace, trust, loyalty, and love. God put us in families to teach us how to be more like Him. As we care for our aging parents, we learn to serve as He served us in the person of Jesus Christ. As we raise our children, we learn to love as He loves us as His own children. As we carry out our marriage vows, we learn to sacrifice self as He sacrificed Himself for our sins. As we stand by our brothers and sisters in trials, we learn to care for their needs as our Father cares for us. Through the family, God also teaches us about His covenant. God works through families. Over and over in scripture we see His hand touching generations to bring His plan to fulfillment; Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and even through the genealogy of Jesus Christ. God also uses the family to teach us about community. In walking through life with our families, we share the good and the bad. We care for one another, pray for one another, and learn the value of standing together in tough times as well as rejoicing in good times. Scripture says, "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). So inevitably, we will wound one another or let one another down in some way, however in our family, we can hold each other account- able and walk-through forgiveness and repentance.

# Prayer

Dear God, thank You for what You have taught and are teaching me through my family. Help me to continue to grow in love, joy, peace, forgiveness, self-control, kindness, and goodness. Help me and my family to glorify You in all that we do. Use us to teach another family about Your true love so that they may want You as their Lord and Savior. Help us Lord to love what You love and do what You would do. Amen.

# Day Fourteen Scriptures to Meditate on Genesis 17:7, Romans 3:23, Galatians 5:16 Restore Relationships

#### Devotion

Today as you continue in this fast and prayer ask the Holy Spirit to help you restore any of your relationships that you know ended in an abrupt way. You may not be angry or hold any ill feeling towards the person but maybe you feel as if they are upset with you. Sometimes the enemy blinds us into thinking that someone is angry at us or you have done something wrong to them. Walk in boldness today and with help of the Holy Spirit go to that person and say, "Can we talk?" Don't be tricked by your own thoughts, the situation may not be what you think. How many people do

you know that are not communicating with distant loved ones just because they think that the other person is mad at them when in fact, it's not that way at all? Maybe they are waiting on you to make the first move.

# Prayer

Father, today I ask you to help me take all of my thoughts captive to the obedience of Jesus Christ. Help me, Lord, to see all people the way you see them. Help me to be a person of reconciliation, restoring all that may have been lost in the relationships with others you have place in my life. I ask You, Father, to restore a good relationship between me and all of my family, friends, co-workers, and others.

# Day Fifteen: Enlightenment

**Scriptures to Meditate on** Proverbs 19:11, Ephesians 4:30-32, Romans 12:10

# Devotion

Do you have a desire to know more about God? I have a hard time imagining anyone answering no to that question. God has promised in His Word to enlighten us and reveal Himself to us. How does He do that? Through the combination of two things. His Word, (the Bible) and through the Holy Spirit. It's sort of like a glue that comes in two parts. Separate they don't stick anything together. Mix them together, spread them onto some- thing and stick it to something else and in just a little time the two pieces are now one piece. The Word of God through the Holy Spirit making it alive in us brings the truths of who God is and how God works right into our hearts and perhaps more importantly into our minds. That process is called enlightenment in Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

# Prayer

Lord of Heaven, I pray that You might give to me Your spirit of wisdom and revelation, with the eyes of my heart being enlightened, knowing what is the hope of Your calling, Your inheritance in me and Your inherent power to me as one who believes (see Eph.1:17-19). Father, I pray that You would make known to me the mystery of Your will according to Your good pleasure (see Eph. 1:9).

# Day Sixteen: God's Provision and Protection

# Scriptures to Meditate on Daniel 2:21, James 1:5 Devotion

When we seek God and are thankful with all He has given us, we will not lack anything we need. When we give to those less fortunate than our- selves, He will bless us (Ps.41:1- 2). If we close our eyes to the needs of those around us, God will do the same with our needs. When we put all that we have, especially our finances in His hands and do with it what He is telling us to do, He promises to bless us. Remember, if you give nothing, you get nothing, and if you give little, you get little. "You reap what you sow". How many times have we been protected and spared from harm and disaster that we are not even aware of? God's word tells us that we are in His hands and no man can pluck us out.

#### Prayer

Lord, I worship You as my Almighty God. You are my King and Lord over all my life. I surrender everything I have to You because I recognize that every good thing, I have been given by You as a sign of Your goodness, mercy, and love (James 1:17).

Thank You that You are my Provider and You provide everything I need, Amen.

#### Note of encouragement.

You are on the last week of your prayer and fasting, great job, you have hung in there. This last week will focus on more praying and reading the scriptures, instead of devotions. We will focus more on praying specific prayers from specific scriptures for specific topics, such as; unity, sanctification, guidance, and thankfulness.

Scriptures to Meditate on Psalm 28:7, 34:10, Matthew 6:25-34, Psalm 91

# Day Seventeen: A prayer for Spiritual Strength Praying Ephesians 3:14-21

Father, In the name of Jesus, I praise and thank You that You saved me for a purpose, and that You have a plan for my life that exceeds my most imaginative hopes and dreams. For that reason, Father, I bow my knee to You, the God of heaven and earth. I pray that by Your glorious riches You would strengthen me on the inside through the power of Your Holy Spirit and

that Christ would truly live in my heart and live through me by my faith in You. Help me to understand with all of the saints the breadth, length, depth, and height of Your love which surpass all knowledge. Fill me with all of Your fullness, Your wisdom, strength, and power, so that I would live a life that glorifies you. Amen!

# Day Eighteen: A Prayer for Guidance

**Praying Philippians 1:9-11** for your loved ones and yourself. (*Just insert the name of the person or people for whom you are praying for*)

Father, in the name of Jesus, I pray that Your love in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_'s heart by the Holy Spirit would abound and grow more and more, strengthening \_\_\_\_\_\_\_'s knowledge of You and of the things You have called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to do, in the discernment and spiritual insight of the Holy Spirit. I pray that \_\_\_\_\_\_ can prove Your excellence by always knowing the right things to do and doing them with excellence and that \_\_\_\_\_\_ will remain sincere, genuine, and real in all his/her/my encounters with others and free from blame or even the appearance of evil until the day of Jesus Christ's return. Allow this to lead to \_\_\_\_\_\_ overflowing in the fruits of Your righteousness, which I have because of Jesus Christ, that all of this would make \_\_\_\_\_\_ a constant glory and praise to You under all circumstances and in all things. In Jesus name, Amen

# Day Nineteen: A prayer for Unity

**Praying Romans 15:5-6** for your Loved Ones, Your Church, Your Organization or Business, or Your City. Heavenly Father, I know that it is by Your Spirit that we have the power to forgive, and that it is through the fruit of Your Spirit that we can overcome the challenges of life and become encouragers to others around us. I thank You that You have called us as Christians to be unifiers, reconcilers, and peacemakers on this earth as a display of Your love and grace in our everyday lives. I also thank You for giving us

an example of true unity in Your relationship with Your Son, Jesus, as He walked upon this earth and that we can be one as You and He were one because of His prayers for us in John 17. For this reason, Father, I pray for unity for \_\_\_\_\_\_. I pray that You would not only use \_\_\_\_\_\_ to be a unifier, reconciler, and peacemaker but that the Holy Spirit would also be present with \_\_\_\_\_\_ everyday to help \_\_\_\_\_\_ overcome with Your joy and encourage others as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ follows Jesus. I pray that in unity with one heart and one mouth \_\_\_\_\_\_ may glorify You, the Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

# Day Twenty: A Prayer for Sanctification

**Praying 1 Thessalonians 5:23** for yourself. Father, in the name of Jesus, I praise and thank You for being the God of Peace. I pray that You would sanctify me completely from my inner spirit to my outer actions, making my life stand out to others as an example of Your grace, mercy, love and righteousness. Father, help me to walk worthy of my heavenly citizenship even as Jesus has made me worthy through His sacrifice on the Cross. I pray that my entire Spirit, soul and body would be sanctified and complete for the purpose to which You have called me.

I want to live blamelessly, above reproach, and without any appearance of evil, fit for Your use in all things and ready to tell others of Your love until the return of Your Son, my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Now unto You, who called me, be the glory forever and ever, even as You will be faithful to make certain Your sanctification and will are fulfilled in my life. Amen.

# Day Twenty-One: A Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

Father, You alone have the power to establish all of us according to the Good News of Christ. You have chosen to reveal through the Church the mystery of Your manifold wisdom, a secret You kept from the beginning of creation until the day You raised Jesus from the dead. You now are making that wisdom manifest to the entire universe through those of us who obey You. You, Father, who through the grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, have enriched us in knowledge and to the greatness of Jesus. You

have enabled us to be steadfast and blameless until the day Jesus returns for us. You are faithful who has called us into the fellowship of Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. You have enabled each of us to be ministers and ambassadors of Your grace regardless of our past and abilities. To You the only wise God, the King eternal, immortal, unseen by human eyes, who dwells in the light which no one can approach, who is the blessed and only true and Living God, the King of kings, and the Lord of lords, be the glory through Christ Jesus, the Church, and my life forever and ever.

**You did it!** Give God the glory for the Victory. Purpose in your heart to go forward and not backwards from this point.