

# **Global Point Men**

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## **Praying for Your Wife's Spiritual Growth**

Your wife's greatest need is her relationship to God. Your wife can experience deep and abiding fulfillment through her relationship to you. Yet it is only God who can meet the deepest needs of her heart and life. For this reason, you must pray for her spiritual growth. The following Scripture prayers can enable you to pray for this. In order to use these prayers, place her name in the blank and plead the truth of Scripture.

#### (1) Assurance of salvation

I pray that \_\_\_\_\_\_ will gain a firm understanding of her secure position in Jesus Christ. Grant her the assurance of salvation. I pray that she would know that she has believed in Christ and received his salvation (**1 John 5:13**).

#### (2) *Purity*

I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will resist and flee temptation and develop a desire for

purity. Enable her to confess and repent of her sins (**1 John 1:9; Hebrews 12:14**).

#### (3) Love for God

I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will have a sincere, growing love for God. I pray that she would love You with all her being (Matthew 22:37).

#### (4) Love for others

I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ will be filled with a godly love for others that reaches out with compassion. Grant her a servant's heart for others and their needs (**Matthew 20:28**).

#### (5) *Heart for Scripture*

I ask that \_\_\_\_\_ will have a hunger for the Word of God. I pray that the Word will be a light to \_\_\_\_\_\_'s path and a lamp to \_\_\_\_\_\_'s feet. I plead that she will love Your Word and will meditate on it daily (**Psalm 119:97, 105**).

#### (6) Spiritual gifts and abilities

I pray that \_\_\_\_\_\_ will recognize her spiritual gifts and abilities and will long to use them for God's glory. Reveal to her the spiritual gifts that You have given her and empower her to use them (**1 Corinthians 12**).

#### (7) Sensitivity to the Holy Spirit

I pray that You will grant \_\_\_\_\_

a special sensitivity to the Holy Spirit. Fill her with Your Holy Spirit. I ask that she would walk in the power of the Spirit daily (**Ephesians 5:18**).

#### (8) *Growing faith*

I ask that \_\_\_\_\_ will grow in her trust in You and will walk by faith and not by sight. Teach her to trust in You and to acknowledge You in all her ways (2 Corinthians 5:7).

#### (10) A Witness For Jesus Christ

I pray that \_\_\_\_\_ would receive power from the Holy Spirit and that \_\_\_\_\_ would be a witness for You wherever she goes (**Acts 1:8**).

#### (11) Spiritual Warfare

I pray that \_\_\_\_\_\_ would be sober and vigilant because her enemy, the devil, walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. I plead that \_\_\_\_\_\_ will resist him steadfast in the faith, knowing that other brothers and sisters across the world are facing the same battles (**1 Peter 5:8-9**).

#### (12) Worship

Father, I plead that \_\_\_\_\_ will develop a lifestyle of praise. It is good to sing praises to You, our mighty God. It is pleasant and it is beautiful. Create in her a desire to praise You daily (**Psalm 147:1-2**).

#### (13) *Prayer*

I ask that \_\_\_\_\_ would be earnestly devoted to prayer along with thanksgiving. I plead, O God, that \_\_\_\_\_\_ would develop a daily, on-going conversation with You (**Colossians 4:2; 1 Thessalonians 5:17**).

#### (14) *Priorities*

Father, I plead that \_\_\_\_\_

would seek first the kingdom of God and Your righteousness and then all these things that she needs will be added to her (**Matthew 6:33**).

## The Praying Husband Bible Study

Lesson 2: The Blessing Of Brokenness **Central Truth:** *Brokenness is crucial ministering to and praying for your wife.* 

In a Sunday School class, a wife shared about getting lost on their vacation. She said that she kept telling her husband that they were not going the right direction. The husband refused to look at the map or to stop for directions. Finally, they found their way. The other wives chimed in and announced their own versions of the same scenario. The husbands made light of these stories by cracking jokes. Laughter filled the class.

Even though everyone laughed about these things, you could sense frustration in the women. The frustration did not result from refusing to look at a map or stop for directions. No, it went deeper than that. The frustration flowed out of lack of brokenness or humility. а Brokenness is the ability to put self aside in order to listen and be transformed. It turning from pride is and selfrighteousness in order to sacrifice and yield to what is best for others.

#### Read And Meditate On The Word

The following verses deal with brokenness. Read and meditate on these verses. Think about how they apply to your relationship to God and to your wife. Proverbs 29:23

#### James 4:6

**Proverbs 11:2** 

Proverbs 16:18

1 Peter 5:6-7

Proverbs 13:10

Proverbs 18:12

Call on God to deal with your pride and to cultivate brokenness in your life. Write a prayer expressing your hatred of your pride and your desire to be broken before Him and your wife.

#### Philippians 2:1-5

These verses teach that you must cultivate brokenness in your life. A lack of brokenness or pride will hinder your relationship to God and to your wife. It is only as you deal with pride and grow in humility that you can pray for and minister to your wife.

#### Listening And Speaking To Your Father

Ask your Father to reveal any ways that you have been walking in pride before Him. Plead with Him to show you any ways that you have exhibited pride before your wife. As He gives you insight, record these things. Confess them as sin before God and repent of them. Pray for the grace to overcome these things.

#### **Praying For Your Relationship**

Ask God to enable both of you to hate pride in any and every form. Plead with Him to create brokenness in both of you. Pray that you will develop the brokenness that will empower you to listen and communicate with each other in all the circumstances of life. Claim **Proverbs 13:10** for your relationship, "Pride leads to arguments; those who take advice are wise" (NLT).

## Your World Prayer Plan

#### March

1-Colombia-The Lost 2-Comoros Islands 3-Congo 4-Cook Islands 5-Costa Rica 6-Cote d'Ivoire 7-Cuba-The Church 8-Cuba-The Lost 9-Cuba-Collapse of Communism 10-Cyprus 11-Czech Republic 12-Slovakia 13-Denmark 14-Djibouti 15-Dominica 16-Dominican Republic 17-Ecuador 18-Egypt-The Church 19-Egypt-The Lost 20-Egypt-Persecuted Believers 21-El Salvador 22-Equatorial Guinea 23-Eritrea 24-Estonia 25-Ethiopia-The Church 26-Ethiopia-The Lost 27-Ethiopia-Persecuted Believers 28-Faeroe Islands 29-Falkland Islands 30-Croatia-The Church 31-Croatia-The Lost

### April

1-Fiji 2-France-The Church **3-France-The Lost** 4-France-Hardness To The Gospel 5-France-Missionaries 6-French Guiana 7-French Polynesia 8-Gabon 9-Gambia 10-Gaza Strip 11-Georgia 12-Germany-The Church 13-Germany-The Lost 14-Germany-Spiritual Warfare 15-Ghana 16-Gibraltar 17-Greece 18-Greenland 19-Grenada 20-Guadeloupe 21-Guam 22-Guatemala 23-Guinea 24-Guinea-Bissau 25-Guyana 26-Haiti 27-Holy See (Vatican) 28-Honduras 29-Hong Kong 30-Hungary

## Praying About Your Relationship To Your Child

The following are Scripture prayers that you can pray concerning your relationship to your child. These prayers will help you seek God about how to raise your child. In order to use these prayers, place your child's name in the blank and plead these Scriptures to your Father.

Heavenly Father, You are the perfect Parent. You are gracious, loving, wise, and fair. You are good and right in all Your dealings with Your children. I plead in the name of Jesus that You will enable me to raise \_\_\_\_\_\_. I ask that You will give me the strength and the wisdom to mold and develop \_\_\_\_\_\_\_'s life. I cannot do this without Your power or Your help. I look to You and trust that You will enable me to do this for Your glory and for \_\_\_\_\_\_'s good (Galatians 3:26; Ephesians 1:5).

Lord God, Your Word declares that unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it. I confess that I cannot raise \_\_\_\_\_\_ in my own wisdom and power. I plead that You will enable me to build a godly home and to create a godly atmosphere so that \_\_\_\_\_\_ will come to know You and will have a righteous impact in this world (**Psalm 127:1**).

Father, empower me to train \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in godliness. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is a heritage from You, a reward from You. Grant that I can shape and mold \_\_\_\_\_\_ for great usefulness and power in Your kingdom's work (**Psalm 127:3-5**).

God, You have given me the privilege and responsibility to raise \_\_\_\_\_\_. I plead that I will not provoke \_\_\_\_\_\_ to anger. But, I ask that I will raise \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the training and the admonition of the Lord. Enable me to build a home where \_\_\_\_\_\_ will come to know You and will live a godly life (**Ephesians 6:4**).

Father, I pray that You will enable me to discipline \_\_\_\_\_\_ in a loving and wise way. Empower me to discipline \_\_\_\_\_\_ in a way that pleases You and that will not nag, deride, or destroy his/her self-respect (Colossians 3:21).

Lord God, I plead that You would empower me to pay careful attention to my relationship to You. Help me to diligently keep myself on the path of righteousness. Deliver me from forgetting Your mercy and Your Word so that I will not depart from You. I ask for this so that I can teach \_\_\_\_\_\_Your Word. Grant me the wisdom and power to obey You and to teach \_\_\_\_\_\_ the same things (**Deuteronomy 4:9**).

Father, I pray that I would diligently teach Your Word to \_\_\_\_\_\_. Enable me to use every opportunity that I can to point \_\_\_\_\_\_ to You and Your Word (**Deuteronomy 6:7**).

Father, Your Word declares that the one who spares the rod spoils the child. But, the parent who loves the child will discipline him/her promptly. Grant me the wisdom and power to discipline \_\_\_\_\_\_ promptly with love. Deliver me from compromise in the training of \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Proverbs 13:24).

Father, I pray that You would help me to chasten \_\_\_\_\_\_ while there is hope. Grant me fairness and compassion in order to effectively discipline him/her. Cause me to model and extend the love of Jesus Christ toward \_\_\_\_\_

## **Confessing God's Word**

"And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him" (Genesis 2:18).

**My Confession:** I will acknowledge my wife as my helper and complement. I will appreciate what she is to me and what she does for me.

my helper, my complement. Amen.

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