BEGIN WITH JESUS

Understanding Prayer and Spiritual Authority

Pray under the lordship of Jesus Christ and stand in His victory. Learn how redemption, repentance, forgiveness, known renunciation, and the Holy Spirit's power shape the exercise of spiritual authority.

Scripture study: KJV | Original teaching and prayer | Prepared with AI assistance

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Biblical foundation

Matthew 6:9-15 - Jesus centers prayer on the Father's holiness, kingdom, and will, alongside provision, forgiveness, and deliverance from evil. His following words call disciples to extend the mercy they seek.

James 4:6-10 - James brings submission, humble repentance, drawing near to God, and resistance to the devil together. Spiritual resistance belongs within a life yielded to the Lord.

Ephesians 6:10-18 - The church stands against spiritual evil in the Lord's strength through truth, righteousness, faith, salvation, the Gospel, Scripture, and persevering prayer.

Luke 10:17-20 - Jesus' commissioned disciples exercise authority over demons in His name. He directs their deepest joy toward belonging to God, keeping deliverance under His lordship.

Colossians 2:13-15 - Christ's cross brings forgiveness and triumph over hostile spiritual powers. His finished work grounds our confidence as we seek freedom and obey Him.

Matthew 18:15-20 - Jesus speaks of binding, loosing, agreement, and prayer while teaching His gathered people to address sin with witnesses and accountability. The passage belongs within the life of His church.

Original teaching

Come to the Father through the risen Son

Jesus Christ died for our sins and rose again. Turn to Him in faith and receive the new life the Holy Spirit gives. Prayer rests on the access opened through the Savior. Come to the Father with worship, honest confession, and confident requests. Let Scripture shape what you ask and let Christ govern your response.

Praying in Jesus' name means acting under His lordship and depending on His authority. His redemption establishes your foundation. You may ask boldly for healing and deliverance while surrendering your desires and conduct to the One you call Lord.

Join resistance to truthful submission

James calls believers to submit to God and resist the devil. Confess the sin you know, turn from it, and renounce ungodly practices or allegiances you actually embraced. Extend forgiveness as Christ commands. When forgiveness is painful, ask for grace and respond willingly to His help. Continue honoring truth and protective boundaries.

Some ministries call sinful consent a spiritual ‘legal right.’ Here that pastoral term means a foothold given through chosen agreement with evil. It does not mean Satan owns a believer or that a concealed contract must be discovered. Address known sin and stand in Christ’s redemption with a clear conscience.

Exercise authority with Scripture and humility

Jesus has authority over demons. Torch of Christ believes His deliverance ministry continues today: we resist Satan and command evil spirits to depart in Jesus’ name. Keep Christ central, honor the person receiving prayer, and serve with willing participation and accountability.

Read each passage in its setting. Matthew 18 concerns the gathered church’s responsibility to address sin; Luke 10 records commissioned ministry and authority over demons. These passages teach faithful service under Jesus. His name is the authority we trust, and His saving mercy remains our deepest joy.

Be filled with the Spirit and keep standing

Welcome the Holy Spirit’s filling and put Ephesians 6 into practice. Speak truth, leave unrighteousness, receive the Gospel, exercise faith, and answer deception with Scripture. Continue praying with perseverance. Christ’s power brings freedom; preparation is a truthful response to Him rather than a guaranteed sequence of words or completed tasks.

Use Preparing for Deliverance in Jesus’ Name when you want a fuller guide. Continue afterward in worship, obedient decisions, and fellowship. Spiritual authority serves a life that belongs to Jesus and bears the fruit of His Spirit.

Preparation for prayer

Prepare for deliverance

Begin with surrender to Jesus Christ, repentance, forgiveness, and a decisive break with ungodly allegiances. Use the preparation guide and personal renunciation prompts, then pray specifically about the matter before you.

Preparing for Deliverance in Jesus’ Name

Personal Renunciation Guide: Beliefs, Practices & Allegiances

- Confess your faith in Jesus Christ and surrender to His lordship.
- Bring known sin, chosen ungodly allegiance, and a need to forgive before God.
- Read the passages in context and ask the Holy Spirit to direct your prayer.

A complete prayer

Pray in faith, trusting Jesus Christ and the authority of His Word.

Father, I come through Jesus Christ, the crucified and risen Lord. I worship You as holy, righteous, and faithful. Thank You for redemption and cleansing through the blood of Your Son. Let Your will govern my requests and Your kingdom rule in my life. Establish my confidence in the victory Jesus accomplished at the cross.

Jesus, I submit my body, mind, conduct, and relationships to Your lordship. I bring my known sin into Your light and ask forgiveness. Strengthen me to leave what You condemn and obey what You command. I renounce the ungodly practices and

allegiances I have embraced. I reject known occult allegiances and curses in my family, and repent of any willing participation of my own. I renounce the sinful relational loyalties I have maintained. Where I have willingly agreed with deception, I withdraw that agreement and receive Your truth.

Father, give me grace to forgive those who have hurt me. I surrender vengeance to You. Lead me in mercy, truthful accountability, and wise boundaries. Where my heart struggles, strengthen my willingness to obey and let Your compassion shape my response. Make my life an expression of the forgiveness I receive through Jesus.

In the name of Jesus Christ, I resist Satan and reject his works. Every evil spirit seeking to oppress me or draw me away from obedience to Jesus, I command you to depart in His name. I reject every curse and demonic claim raised against the lordship of Christ. My hope rests in the Redeemer who has triumphed over darkness.

Holy Spirit, fill me with Your presence, power, and discernment. Establish truth in my speech, righteousness in my conduct, and courage in my witness. Strengthen my faith and bring Scripture to remembrance. Give me perseverance when opposition continues and humility to receive correction. Help me serve people with compassion and honor their willing response to You.

Father, bring healing, deliverance, and restoration wherever Your work is needed. Keep me rooted among faithful believers and fruitful in love. I rejoice that I belong to You. Let every prayer honor Jesus, every step of freedom lead to obedience, and every gift serve Your glory. In the mighty name of Jesus Christ, amen.

A brief prayer

Father, I trust Jesus Christ and submit to His lordship. Forgive my known sin and strengthen me to leave it. Give me grace to forgive and renounce ungodly allegiances. In Jesus' name, I resist Satan and command every evil spirit seeking to oppress me to depart. Holy Spirit, fill my life with truth, faith, love, and power. Establish my confidence in Christ's redemption and make me a humble, faithful servant of His freedom. Amen.

Walk in freedom

- Pray through the priorities Jesus gives in Matthew 6:9-15.
- Use Preparing for Deliverance in Jesus' Name for a fuller personal preparation guide.
- Put Ephesians 6 into practice through truth, obedience, faith, and Scripture.
- Continue in prayer with mature believers who serve under Christ with humility and accountability.

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