

Amen: 40 Days of Prayer

License to Pray

If I go up to the heavens, you are there.

If I lie down in the grave, you are there.

*If I rise with the sun in the east
and settle in the west beyond the sea,
even there you would guide me.*

With your right hand you would hold me.

(Psalm 139:8–10, New Century Version)

FIVE AREAS TO PRAY ABOUT

1. I look back to the Cross.

God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

(1 Peter 1:18–19, New Living Translation)

2. I look up to my Father's loving face!

You received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, 'Abba, Father.' For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.

(Romans 8:15–16, NLT)

Even if my father and mother abandon me, the LORD will hold me close.

(Psalm 27:10, NLT)

3. I look in to see Jesus living inside me!

Look closely at yourselves. Test yourselves to see if you are living in the faith. You know that Jesus Christ is in you—unless you fail the test.

(2 Corinthians 13:5, NCV)

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. Point out anything in me that offends you and lead me along the path of everlasting life.

(Psalm 139:23–24, NLT)

4. I look around and ask the Holy Spirit to use me!

Give yourselves completely to God—every part of you to be used for his good purposes.

(Romans 6:13, TLB)

POWERFUL PRAYER: God use me!

5. I look ahead to my future in faith!

And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.

(Philippians 1:6, NLT)

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

(Hebrews 13:8, NLT)

All who believed [Jesus] and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God.

(John 1:12, NLT)

You are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

(Galatians 3:26, NLT)