

10 THINGS TO PRAY ABOUT

- 1 Pray for protection over your marriage.**
Pray the full armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-20) over your marriage daily. We need this kind of godly armor to protect our marriages from attack, temptation (Matthew 26:41) and sin. We need to pray for protection over the covenant we made, and that the Lord would keep anything from “stealing, killing, or destroying it.”
- 2 Pray for one another.**
You are quite possibly the best person to pray for your spouse. You know him/her best, you know what truths your spouse needs prayed over him/her, and you know what lies your spouse needs prayer against. You know your spouse’s needs and wants better than anyone, so you are the most equipped person to pray for him/her. James 5:16 says, *“Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.”* The prayers you pray for your spouse, over your spouse, are powerful!
- 3 Pray that your marriage would reflect the gospel.**
The Scriptures are pretty clear that our marriages should be a reflection of the Gospel (Ephesians 5:25-56). Others should see Christ, and understand what the gospel is all about, by looking at our marriages.
- 4 Pray for your family or future family.**
Pray for your children, and their friends, and their future spouses. If you don’t have children, pray for your future children, for them to grow to know and love Christ, for them to be godly husbands and wives, and for them to *“do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God”* (Micah 6:8).
- 5 Pray for discernment on decisions.**
If we are not careful we can make huge decisions without even considering consulting the Lord. Often these decisions have us anxious, wound up, nervous and maybe even irrational! Lets bring the Lord into our decisions and *“every situation”* (Philippians 4:6).
- 6 Pray for Christ to be at the center.**
Sometimes we just need to sit down with our spouse and acknowledge the authority that we want Jesus to have in our life and marriage. Vocally declare to each other, and to Jesus that you want Him to lead you, that He has authority, and that you are working for His purposes.
- 7 Pray for your dreams, vision, and desires.**
Don’t be shy of asking the Lord for things. He will either give, or not give, but always in your best interest.
- 8 Pray to walk in truth and grow in wisdom.**
The Lord wants His people to walk in wisdom and truth. So ask for it! For He will give freely to those who ask. (James 1:5 Colossians 1:9)
- 9 Pray for life circumstances**
Pray together for the little things, so you will be prepared to pray together for the big things. We need to be confidently and fervently, praying for our days, weeks, months and years. Keep God “in the loop.” (Psalm 91:15)
- 10 Pray thanksgiving. Praise the Lord, for He is worthy.**
Jesus showed the first disciples how to pray (Matthew 6:9-13). His intent wasn’t necessarily for us to copy His exact prayer for the rest of time ... but He was rather showing us a structure. And in that structure, it started out with praise to the Father. Acknowledging His holiness and giving praise to the Lord. Acknowledge His glory when you pray!