

# We Welcome You, Lord Jesus!

A CHILDREN'S GUIDE TO **SEEK GOD FOR THE CITY 2021**

**We are going to pray for other people in our towns and neighborhoods and schools for 40 days in a row. Many Christians all over the world are praying for the people who live in their cities during the very same 40 days, using the same Bible verses that we will read as we pray.**

When Jesus lived among the people of His town, He helped many of them by God's power. He helped the people who wanted Him and invited Him to make them different. Today, we can be the ones to invite Jesus to visit the people of our neighborhoods and towns. Many of them don't know Jesus yet. But Jesus wants very much to visit them and help them live with God's joy and blessing. Our prayers will help welcome Jesus to come closer to the people so that they can meet Him and follow Him too.

**"WEEK" ONE, PART ONE:**  
FEBRUARY 17-20, 2021





**Revival of the Church:** We will begin our 40 days of prayer by praying for the people who already know God. We will pray with lots of hope for them to learn even more about Him. When our hearts wake up to new things about God, we love Him even more.

**1**

**WEDNESDAY**  
FEBRUARY 17

**Praying to hear and follow Jesus**

**Read:** John 10:27

**Pray:** Jesus, we want to be your sheep. Open our ears to hear your voice so that we follow you as our good Shepherd. We want you to bring many of our friends to be with you and to be cared for by you. Help us to hear your voice speaking to us and bring us into a safe place as you watch over us. People all over our city need you as their shepherd. We ask that you will bring your people together as one flock, with one Shepherd Lord.

- Pray for the voice of Jesus to be heard and that many lost people will follow Him.
- Pray that Jesus as the good Shepherd brings His sheep home to Him.

**2**

**THURSDAY**  
FEBRUARY 18

**Praying to bring light**

**Read:** John 10:27

**Pray:** Wherever You are God, You bring light and good. Your love comes like bright sunshine into the places of our hearts that are dark and have bad feelings. We want You to come with all your heavenly light and change us to be more like Jesus. People all over our city need You to come and chase darkness from their lives with Your great love. Help us be lights in our schools and with our friends. Come today, Lord. You are welcome in every area of our lives.

- Pray for God to gently show us the sins in our lives and to set us free.
- Pray that God would send His people into places that need His love and that we would do a good job sharing.

**3**

**FRIDAY**  
FEBRUARY 19

**Praying to get well all over**

**Read:** Mark 2:17

**Pray:** Jesus, You tell us You are like a doctor who cares for sick people. People who might be sick in their bodies or maybe they could be sick because their hearts are empty without You. Sometimes people don't have any idea that they are really missing You even though You so want to come and be their doctor. We all have places we want Your healing power. Come today, Jesus, into the hearts and bodies of all the sick people in our city – we need You.

- Pray for people to be tired of the same old sins and want to change.
- Pray for Jesus to change people with His love.

**4**

**SATURDAY**  
FEBRUARY 20

**Praying to scrub our hearts clean**

**Read:** Mark 1:40-41

**Pray:** Lord Jesus, the man with leprosy had to live alone, far from his family and friends because his disease made him unclean. You loved him so much that You healed him right away when he asked. Today we want to bravely ask You to heal us from the things that make us unclean. Take away the mean and unkind things in our hearts that keep us far from You and from others. Scrub our hearts clean just like you healed the man with leprosy.

- Pray that people will want to be healed from sin more than anything else.
- Pray that people who feel like nothing will ever change or be better will come to know God's great love for them.

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**"WEEK" ONE, PART TWO:**  
FEBRUARY 21–27, 2021

**February 21-27, Days 5-11:** We are at the beginning of 40 days of praying for other people in our towns and neighborhoods and schools. During this week we will ask God to renew the spiritual life of Christians. Our prayers will help welcome Jesus to come closer to many others so that they can meet Him and follow Him too.

**5**

**SUNDAY**  
FEBRUARY 21

**Praying to fill us up so we are running over**

**Read:** John 7:37-38

**Pray:** You stood up long ago and asked a crowd of people if they were thirsty for God. You told them that You would give them a drink. Those people realized they needed a Holy Spirit drink from You. That one and only kind of water just comes from You. They got it – they needed Your special living, loving water to keep them filled up and running over to share with other people. We want that kind of drink today, too – fill us up with You.

- Pray that people in our city would be thirsty for God.
- Pray that Christians would be like waterfalls of God's love to everyone they meet.

**6**

**MONDAY**  
FEBRUARY 22

**Praying to hang in there**

**Read:** Luke 18:1

**Pray:** We know it is important to pray, and we want to pray. We've just been praying for six days and there are 33 more days we want to pray together with our family. That seems like a lot of praying yet to do and it is easy to want to give up. We are not strong enough to do it all by ourselves. Come, Jesus, and change our hearts so that we can hardly wait to pray. Help us hear You calling us to come and be with You and pray every day. Hanging out with You is worth it.

- Pray that we will have the stick-to-it-ness that we need, so that we can meet with Jesus every day.
- Pray that our churches and families will get together to pray this season.

**7**

**TUESDAY**  
FEBRUARY 23

**Praying to open a present**

**Read:** John 17:22

**Pray:** Jesus, You say that You gave us the gift of Your glory in this scripture. That is an amazing present. We get to be like You – kind and loving, strong and majestic – and like a gift to all the people we know. Thank you for sharing who You are with us. Teach us how to be great presents – sharing Your wonderful gift of love to those who don't know You yet.

- Pray that Christians in our city do a good job of showing people who don't know You what You are really like.
- Pray that Christians in every church in our town will pray together and cheer each other on.





**Revival of the Church:** This week we will continue to pray for the people in our city who already know Jesus. We will pray with lots of hope for them to learn even more about Him. When our hearts wake up to new things about God, we love Him even more.

8

**WEDNESDAY**  
FEBRUARY 24

**Praying to have fun worshipping**

**Read:** Luke 10:21

**Pray:** Today we want to remember that it is good and right to worship You in all kinds of ways. We can sing and dance, clap or play an instrument, or sit quietly and think; we can draw and paint our worship to You or lie down on our backs and watch the sky. You, God, can fill up our hearts with overflowing joy no matter how we worship. Just like Jesus we want to praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth. You made everything we see and everything we have. You gave us life. You are amazing and we worship You.

- Pray for Christians to worship with joy.
- Pray for people who are often sad to discover new joy as they worship You.

9

**THURSDAY**  
FEBRUARY 25

**Praying to love God with all our hearts**

**Read:** Mark 12:30-31

**Pray:** Lord Jesus, You don't hide what You want us to do – You tell us you want us to love You and love our neighbors with all our hearts. Your commandment is not always easy – it's hard to love sometimes. Our neighbors aren't always easy to love; we wonder just how to show someone Your love. Open our eyes so we can see like You, give us great ideas and show us creative ways to love other people.

- Pray for people to be encouraged by the way neighbors show love to one another.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to give us real love for people that are hard to love.

10

**FRIDAY**  
FEBRUARY 26

**Praying to find lonely people**

**Read:** John 4:16, 30

**Pray:** You care so much, Lord Jesus, for broken families and for lonely people that You try all the time to find them places and people to comfort them. Show people in our city today that You love them – no matter how their families became broken or why they are lonely. Give each lonely person a place in a home or in a church family. Show us how to recognize people who need Your love and let us be the ones to welcome them.

- Pray for people you know whose parents are divorced.
- Pray for God to heal the sad and lonely hearts of people who are separated from people they love.
- Pray that Jesus would bring peace into the homes of all the people in our city.

11

**SATURDAY**  
FEBRUARY 27

**Praying to see Jesus**

**Read:** John 1:14

**Pray:** Jesus, You came to live on earth long ago as a baby born in a stable – we are still surprised that the King of kings came like this! You lived in a neighborhood and in a family just like we do today. You understand us. We want to keep that surprised feeling of the way You came to earth and the truth of who You are right in front of our thoughts. Come and teach us more about Your grace and truth.

- Pray that people everywhere would love you more than anything else.
- Pray for God to show how amazing He is to everyone in our city.

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**WEEK TWO:**  
FEBRUARY 28–MARCH 6, 2021

**February 28-March 6, Days 12-18:** We are at the beginning of 40 days of praying for other people in our towns and neighborhoods and schools. This week we will pray especially for people who do not know God. Our prayers will help welcome Jesus to come closer to many others so that they can meet Him and follow Him too.

**12**

**SUNDAY**  
FEBRUARY 28

**Praying to have opened eyes**

**Read:** Matthew 13:15

**Pray:** Many people we know and see every day don't follow You, Jesus. Other people have said "no" when they have heard about You because they don't really know You. It's just like they are closing their eyes and covering their ears. They don't hear You or see You or realize that You love them. Please heal their broken places and the ways they are afraid to trust You. Open their eyes and ears to Your great love.

- Pray for people who don't yet trust Jesus to open their hearts to Him.
- Pray for someone in your family who doesn't know the Lord.

**13**

**MONDAY**  
MARCH 1

**Praying to find lost ones**

**Read:** Luke 15:20

**Pray:** In this scripture-story the lost son had been gone from home a very long time and his father missed him. When the son came up the road the father could not have been more excited to have him back again. God, You are like that father who really loved his son even though he had been far away for a long time. We pray today for people who are like runaway sons and daughters to You, that they will come home to You and enjoy Your love. You can hardly wait.

- Pray that people who are far from You will come home to You.
- Pray for God to show how loving He is to everyone in our city.

**14**

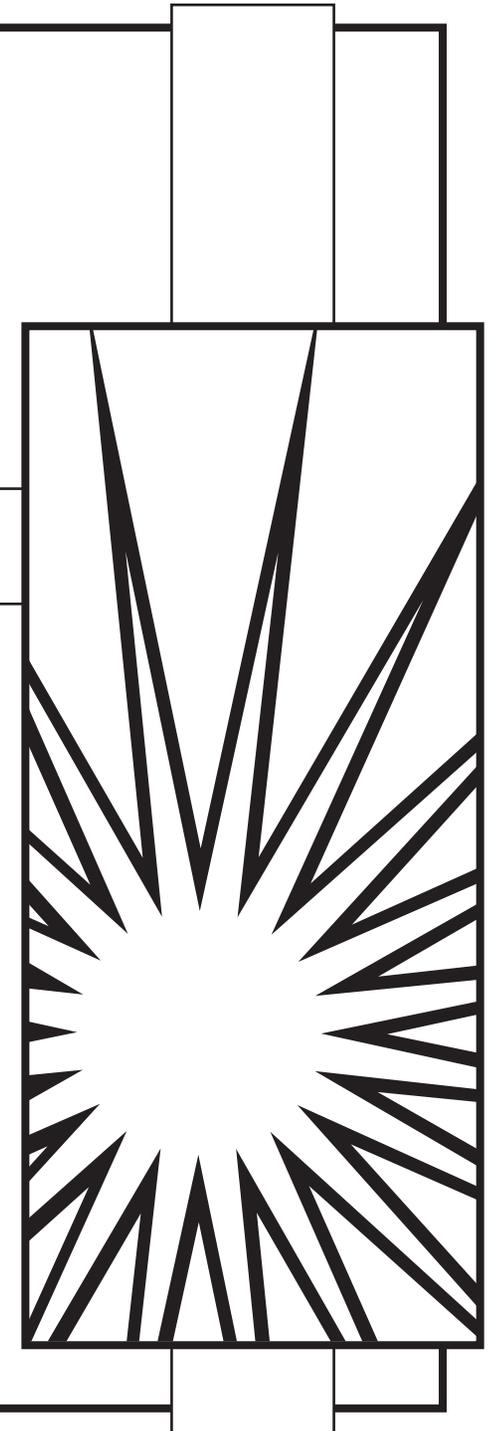
**TUESDAY**  
MARCH 2

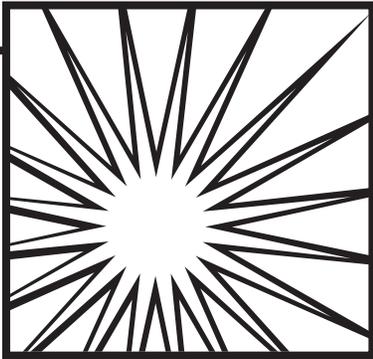
**Praying to have mercy**

**Read:** Luke 18:13-14

**Pray:** Just like the tax collector who asked that You would forgive him and welcome him into Your family – we ask for Your mercy. We've done things that aren't good and aren't pleasing to You. We've been mean and not fair sometimes like the tax collector. We are sorry and we ask You to forgive us. We want to change our ways. We trust that You will have mercy on us and that You will always welcome us and love us.

- Pray that many people would pray for their city today.
- Pray for people all over our city to turn to God.





**Spiritual Awakening:** This week we will pray especially for people who don't yet know Jesus; that they would be like people who wake up and realize what they are missing. Loving God and serving Him is a good thing. All through history we know that when God's people pray for others they DO wake up and come to the Lord.

**15**

**WEDNESDAY**  
MARCH 3

**Praying to get some better food**

**Read:** Luke 15:17-18

**Pray:** Jesus, the lost boy in this scripture suddenly realized he didn't have to eat pig food. He had a dad at home who loved him and would give him good food. There are people we know who don't understand that the unhealthy things they do aren't what You want for them. Show them the 'pig food' kinds of things they do. Help them to suddenly realize the truth, too. Help them to choose to come to You and the good things You have for them just like the lost boy and his father.

- Pray for people to see that even if the life they have chosen is something like a pig pen, that God wants them home with Him again.
- Pray for everyone who needs to come home to start for home today.

**16**

**THURSDAY**  
MARCH 4

**Praying to have new life**

**Read:** John 5:25

**Pray:** Jesus, many people walk around looking alive but really their spirits are dead. The bad things they have done and the ways they have been hurt by others makes them not even know who You are or that You are calling them to a true and good life. Be loud, Jesus. So loud with your love that they hear You and know You and come to Your call.

- Pray for people who are asleep in their hearts to wake up to God.
- Pray for all the churches in our town to teach God's truth in ways that lost people understand.

**17**

**FRIDAY**  
MARCH 5

**Praying to overcome**

**Read:** Luke 10:17-20

**Pray:** Jesus, You are the rescuer who saves people from all kinds of bad things. We trust You to be strong and to defeat all the power of the enemies of the lives You have planned for us and of all our friends. Come, Heavenly Father and move in your awesome power for all the people in our city who are stuck in the enemy's plans. You can do it! You are our Champion.

- Pray for freedom for people who are captured by the lies of the enemies of God.
- Pray that God's purpose for our city will soon be fulfilled.

**18**

**SATURDAY**  
MARCH 6

**Praying to have the best show and tell**

**Read:** Mark 5:19

**Pray:** Jesus, You are doing amazing things all over our city in the lives of people we know and many that we don't know. We want to hear the stories. Would you give people courage to tell others all the good news about what You are doing? Help us not be shy. Instead, help everyone who knows You to share the stories of Your goodness and mercy. People will thank You and give You glory.

- Pray for the stories of God's goodness to be told all over our city.
- Pray for nobody who has a great God story to be shy but to tell their story everywhere.
- Pray for courage to tell someone a God story of your own today.

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**WEEK THREE:**  
MARCH 7-13, 2021

**March 7-13, Days 19-25:** We are in the middle of 40 days of praying for other people in our towns and neighborhoods and schools. This week we will pray for God's peace to come in and change the places where there are troubles. Our prayers will help welcome Jesus to come closer to many others so that they can meet Him and follow Him too.

**19**

**SUNDAY**  
MARCH 7

## **Praying to walk in God's truth**

**Read:** Matthew 22:16

**Pray:** Lord Jesus, we want to learn your ways of truthful living. You don't just speak true words, but you are true in all Your ways. We welcome you to our city and neighborhoods as our one true Teacher. Help us to listen to You and obey you as best we can so that our friends can also know You. We want to hear You as you speak to us so that we can live and love You each day. Thank you for caring for us and helping us to walk with You in every way.

- Pray that people will walk in the true ways of Jesus.
- Pray that Christians in our city will obey God in all areas of their lives.

**20**

**MONDAY**  
MARCH 8

## **Praying to heal hearts and change lives**

**Read:** Luke 19:7-9

**Pray:** Jesus, You were a friend to Zacchaeus, even though he had done many wrong things. His heart was healed when You became his friend and he realized You loved him. He started to be a better person. Instead of cheating people he became honest and gave back money he had stolen. Come, Lord, to people in our city who need changed hearts. Show us how to be a friend to others the way You are a friend.

- Pray that Jesus would change many people's lives so that they use their money for good things to help people.
- Pray for people to be like Jesus and encourage their friends to be honest.

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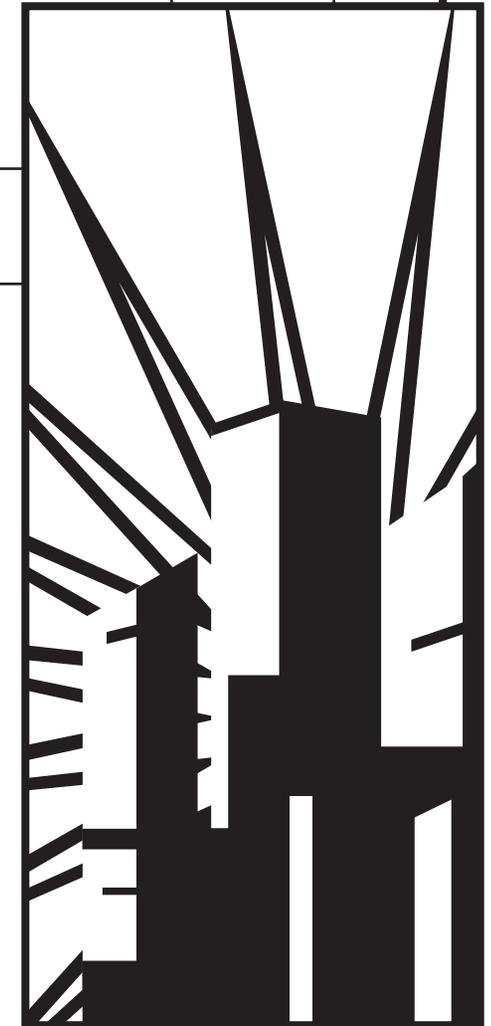
**TUESDAY**  
MARCH 9

## **Praying to God as He honors the poor**

**Read:** Luke 7:22-23

**Pray:** Jesus, You want to help people who are sad, poor and need Your hope to live each day. We ask that You care for those who we might see today who are alone or hungry or need a place to live. We pray that people who are sick or in some kind of sad situation will be cared for and loved by Christians in our city. We ask that You would heal and bring life to the poor, the small and the weak. Let your kingdom come to all people.

- Pray that Jesus's words heal the lives of broken people.
- Pray for the poor to know they are loved by God.





**Transformation:** This week we will pray for God to bring changes in the way people live all over our community. God is already helping people to change so that they can live with joy and peace.

**22**

**WEDNESDAY**  
MARCH 10

**Praying to God to rebuild ruined cities**

**Read:** Luke 4:43

**Pray:** Jesus, You came to earth to teach us how to live and how to love God and walk in His truth. We want to share with our friends how much You love them and that You want them to become Your children. Display your life and love in every corner of our city, even in the broken down and sad places. We pray that all people can hear the gospel and know that they are loved by You. We want You to be praised in every corner of our town.

- Pray for God to be praised by Christians in every part of our city.
- Pray for Christians to show how to live a life of goodness and care for others.

**23**

**THURSDAY**  
MARCH 11

**Praying to heal what needs healing**

**Read:** Luke 22:50-51

**Pray:** Jesus, one of Your friends was frightened and confused and badly hurt another person. You healed the hurt man so he could hear You and know Your love. We can sometimes be hurtful, too. We have said or done mean things, hurting our friends or brothers and sisters. Even things that seem small can be so hurtful to people that it can keep them from knowing You. Ouch! That's not what we want. We really want people to know You and Your amazing goodness and love. Change us to be more like You.

- Pray that our actions and words to others would not harm, but help.
- Pray for people who feel like Christians have hurt them.

**24**

**FRIDAY**  
MARCH 12

**Praying to become like Him**

**Read:** Matthew 23:23

**Pray:** Jesus, teach us to be good students of the things that are important to You. You love mercy and for people to really care for and serve one another. Not just when it is easy but all the time. It's Your plan for everyone who sins to be forgiven and for everyone who doesn't do the right thing to learn how to do what is best. It's Your plan for our lives to show others how great You are. Keep teaching us to be like You so we can love others like You do.

- Pray that Christians in our city would be known for loving one another well.
- Pray that our church would be known for being a safe place for hurting and broken people.

**25**

**SATURDAY**  
MARCH 13

**Praying to grow spiritual fruit**

**Read:** Matthew 21:43

**Pray:** Jesus, You want to build Your people into an army of farmers. Instead of apples, pears and bananas Your plan is to have the people You love to grow more people who love You like farmers plant crops. People who love You can hardly help themselves – they just keep telling more people about You and Your goodness. The harvest will fill the world – not just baskets and barns. Help us be amazing farmers of Your word.

- Pray for God's kingdom to grow in our city like a healthy crop.
- Pray that Christians would show the fruits of God's Spirit in their lives: such as love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

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**WEEK FOUR:**  
MARCH 14–20, 2021

**March 14-20, Days 26-32:** We are in the middle of 40 days of praying for people of our towns and neighborhoods and schools. This week we'll pray that people from all the different groups, languages, races and cultures will come to know God. Our prayers will help welcome Jesus to come closer to many others so that they can meet Him and follow Him too.

**26**

**SUNDAY**  
MARCH 14

## Praying to find harvest workers

**Read:** Luke 2:30-32

**Pray:** Jesus, You say there are people all over the world who are ready to hear Your word and to become Your people. They are like a ripe harvest field. Some of Your harvest is in far-off countries. But there are also overlooked people and places in our city. We pray that You will send people who love You (like us!), as if they were harvesting farmers, to the people who are ready to hear about You in our city and in many other places around the world.

- Pray for harvesters in every school, business and neighborhood in our city and for many to go to other nations.
- Pray for churches to teach many of God's people to be great harvesters.

**27**

**MONDAY**  
MARCH 15

## Praying to make the Lord famous

**Read:** Matthew 6:9

**Pray:** Father in Heaven, we want Your name to be famous – for it to be the best known name all over the world. We want the name of our God to be honored and precious on every continent and in each country, in every neighborhood and home. We want who You really are to be recognized and dearly loved because You are God.

- Pray that people everywhere would know God's name and the wonderful things He is doing.
- Pray that the lies people have believed about God would be thrown out, and instead, that the truth about God would be known.

**28**

**TUESDAY**  
MARCH 16

## Praying to celebrate more

**Read:** Luke 19:37

**Pray:** Jesus, when people prayed and asked and trusted, and then saw Your miracles, they began to celebrate with joy. Seeing You answer prayer filled them with thankful praise. Show more people Your love for them as You answer their prayers. We want these kinds of celebration parties in our city. Show us how to be LOUD, like they were, in our thanks and praise for You.

- Pray that miracles and answered prayers would be what people talk about in our city.
- Pray that everyone in our town who is asking the Lord for something today would see signs of God's care.





**Evangelization:** This week we will pray for many people from every tribe and language and culture to hear about Jesus and to become loving, worshiping followers of Jesus. Some of them have come to our country from distant lands. God desires each of the peoples to enjoy knowing and loving Him.

**29**

**WEDNESDAY**  
MARCH 17

**Praying to bless our leaders**

**Read:** John 18:37

**Pray:** Wow, Jesus. You were so brave that You told everyone the whole truth, even a leader who could have hurt You. You were not shy to say the reasons You came to the world. You came so that people everywhere could have life. We pray that good and honest people would be the ones to lead our city and our country. We pray that their decisions would be good for all people and that each one would reflect Your character.

- Pray that all the men and women who govern in our city would respect and honor God.
- Pray that all the courts in our country would follow God's plan for mercy and justice.

**30**

**THURSDAY**  
MARCH 18

**Praying to finish the job**

**Read:** Matthew 28:17-20

**Pray:** Jesus, You promised that You would be with us as we work with You to finish the task of telling everyone everywhere about You so that You will have some from every people and language that love You. Although many people know about You and follow You, there are still many who have yet to hear about You. Send us to people across the street or across the world so that they can hear the good news of Your love, and that You will be loved by many of them.

- Pray that every people group in our city will hear about Jesus.
- Pray that Christians will be faithful to do their part in getting Jesus loved in every people and place.

**31**

**FRIDAY**  
MARCH 19

**Praying to find Jesus**

**Read:** Matthew 21:10

**Pray:** Jesus, it is a great question when people ask, "Who is this?" about You. We are praying today that our city and in cities all over the world people will be curious about who You are and what You can mean in their lives. We pray that the hearts of all people who don't know You would start to seek and want to learn about You. Help us to be ready to share Your story to the ones who are searching.

- Pray that people in our city would be curious to know more about God.
- Pray for people who know God already to want to know more and grow stronger.

**32**

**SATURDAY**  
MARCH 20

**Praying to find more worshipers**

**Read:** John 12:20-21

**Pray:** You are looking for what You deserve, Lord, more and more people to know and worship You. It must make You happy to hear all those different languages telling about how great You are! We want to be a part of finding more people to love and worship You. Send us to people who need You, show us who in our city You want to come and be a part of the worship. Make lots of joyful worshipers of all the people who come to know You.

- Pray that God would be worshiped all over our city, even in schools, businesses and public places.
- Pray for people to love and worship God with all their minds and hearts.

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**WEEK FIVE:**  
MARCH 21–27, 2021

**March 21-27, Days 33-39:** We are praying 40 days in a row for other people in our towns and neighborhoods and schools. During this week we'll be asking God to help people everywhere learn to like each other and live peacefully. Our prayers will help welcome Jesus to come closer to many others so that they can meet Him and follow Him too.

**33**

**SUNDAY**  
MARCH 21

**Praying for God to be praised in hard times**

**Read:** Matthew 24:7-8, 14

**Pray:** Jesus, we ask that You will bring Your peace to our world. People fight against each other and we are sometimes afraid when we see anger and sadness in our friends or family. Help us to share with our friends the goodness and happiness of loving and knowing You. We ask that You will be praised by many people as they see how You help them love each other. Teach us the truth that Your kingdom will not be shaken and that we will know Your peace.

- Pray that people will hear the truth about Jesus, even in hard times.
- Pray that people will come to follow Jesus without fear, even when things are scary.

**34**

**MONDAY**  
MARCH 22

**Praying for hope to grow**

**Read:** Matthew 24:7-8, 14

**Pray:** Father, You made people all different colors, living in different countries, with different languages and customs. You must enjoy our different colors and ways, because You made us that way. Teach us to see our different colors and languages and customs as something that You love. Give us hopeful expectation of something good to be found in everyone because You made them.

- Pray that people who are angry and hurt by one another will learn to forgive.
- Pray that different kinds of people will be patient and kind toward each other because of how Jesus has changed their hearts.

**35**

**TUESDAY**  
MARCH 23

**Praying for Christians to love others**

**Read:** Luke 6:27-28

**Pray:** Jesus, You ask us to do what seems impossible. You tell us to love people who are mean to us, to do good things for people who hate us, to bless people who say ugly things about us and to even pray for people who are not kind. Change our hearts so that we can show real love to others and so we can be more like You. Teach us to hear and obey You carefully as we learn how to do this big thing.

- Pray that Christians would be kind instead of mean to the people who hurt them.
- Pray for God to comfort those people in countries who have to hide their love for Jesus.





**Reconciliation:** Our last week of praying will be about bringing people together. We'll pray that God brings all kinds of people who are different from one another and who don't understand one another together to learn to like and to appreciate each other.

**36**

**WEDNESDAY**  
MARCH 24

**Praying for God to be honored at all times**

**Read:** Luke 20:18

**Pray:** Lord, we want to fall on You first – before we get smashed! We want to choose to be obedient to Your plan before our wrong choices get us into trouble. Help us to hear Your ways and to do what You have in mind. Call all the people in our city to have soft hearts and to be quick to follow the way You lead. We trust that Your way is the best.

- Pray that people with pride-filled hearts would become soft-hearted instead.
- Pray that the Christians in our city would be humble and kind.

**37**

**THURSDAY**  
MARCH 25

**Praying to gather all people together**

**Read:** Mark 11:17

**Pray:** Father, Your house is big enough for everyone. It is full of different languages and skin color and clothing. It has nobody who is selfish – but it is full of people whose hearts are like Yours. Everyone in Your house joins together to pray for even MORE people to come together to worship. Is there a way we could have some of this heaven on earth right now in our city? Help us build ways in our city for people to come together to praise You.

- Pray that all the different kinds of churches in our city would find ways of worshipping God together.
- Pray that people who love Jesus would also learn to love and honor people of other cultures.

**38**

**FRIDAY**  
MARCH 26

**Praying to be teachable**

**Read:** John 8:2

**Pray:** Jesus, when You came to teach in the temple courts people were so hungry to hear what You had to say they got up before the sun! They went to all kinds of trouble to interrupt their regular schedules. They hurried to find You and hear Your words. We pray that the kind of excitement for You that was in those days would also be in our days. Encourage our hearts to hurry to You and listen to Your words for us.

- Pray that all the pastors and teachers in our city would do their jobs really well.
- Pray that people who don't yet know God would ask good questions and get helpful answers from Christians.

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**SATURDAY**  
MARCH 27

**Praying to say 'yes'**

**Read:** John 12:19

**Pray:** On the very first Palm Sunday people said, 'yes' to You and to Your plan instead of the way things had been before. They wanted Your new ways of love and joy instead of the old ways that just made them tired and sad. On the first Palm Sunday people 'got' who You are: the Messiah they had been hoping for. Today we pray that people all over our city will recognize You again and follow You. You are the hope they have been waiting for. Come Lord Jesus.

- Pray that many in our city who don't know God would see Him moving in unmistakable ways.
- Pray that in our city a great movement back to God would start and spread all over the world.

# We Welcome You, Lord Jesus!

A CHILDREN'S GUIDE TO  
**SEEK GOD FOR THE CITY 2021**

**"WEEK" SIX, PALM SUNDAY:**  
MARCH 28, 2021

Today is the final day of 40 days that we have been praying for people in our towns and neighborhoods and schools. Our prayers will help welcome Jesus to come closer to many others so that they can meet Him and follow Him too.

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**PALM SUNDAY**  
**MARCH 28**

The whole crowd of disciples  
began joyfully to praise God  
in loud voices...

**"Blessed is the King who comes  
in the name of the Lord!**

**Peace in heaven and  
glory in the highest!"**

**Some of the Pharisees  
in the crowd said to Jesus,**

**"Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"**

**"I tell you," He replied,**

**"if they keep quiet**

**the stones will cry out."**

*— Luke 19:37-40*

## **Praying to welcome Jesus!**

**Read:** Revelation 22:20

**Pray:** Jesus, it must have been amazing when the people threw down their coats and even the branches of the palm trees to honor You as you came into their city. What would it look like today for You to come into our town? Would we be the first to take off our coats, to grab branches and to honor You? We do welcome You today in our hearts and our communities and our churches. Let many people everywhere be open to Your coming. Come every day in our hearts, teach us to love You more and to anticipate Your coming again. Come quickly, Lord Jesus.

- Pray that many in our city who don't know God would see Him moving in unmistakable ways.
- Pray that Christians would keep trusting in all the promises of God forever.

