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THEME: "WE EXIST..."

This first week of prayer will focus on our collective identity as the people of God. Each day, we will take a portion of one of the Apostle Paul's prayers for the church and use it as a catalyst for praying for one another at Johnson Ferry.

Day 1: Love

⁹ And this I pray, that your love may overflow still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰ so that you may discover the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and blameless for the day of Christ; ¹¹ having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, for the glory and praise of God. - Philippians 1:9-11

Ask God to help your heart overflow with love for God and others. Pray that we center on the things that are excellent so that we are sincere and blameless when Christ returns. Pray that we, as a people of God, are filled with righteousness so that we bring glory and praise to God.

Day 2: Wisdom

¹⁵ For this reason I too, having heard of the faith in the Lord Jesus which exists among you and your love for all the saints, ¹⁶ do not cease giving thanks for you, while making mention of you in my prayers; ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him. ¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the boundless greatness of His power toward us who believe. - Ephesians 1:15-19a

Ask God to fill your mind with a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. Pray that your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ at Johnson Ferry know the hope of His calling. Pray that we are operating in the power of the Holy Spirit as we seek God's will for our future.

Day 3: Strength

¹⁴ For this reason I bend my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name, ¹⁶ that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner self, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; and that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled to all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, ²¹ to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen. - Ephesians 3:14-21

Ask God to dwell in your heart through faith, producing a supernatural strength from God. Pray that our church is filled with the fullness of God and that pleasing and worshiping Him is our chief ambition. Ask God to do more at Johnson Ferry than we can ask, think, or imagine, according to His power and greatness.

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Day 4: Fruit

⁹ For this reason we also, since the day we heard about it, have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; ¹¹ strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all perseverance and patience; ¹² joyously giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. - Colossians 1:9-12

Ask God to help you bear fruit today. Ask God to produce in you perseverance and patience, trusting in Him no matter what you go through. Pray prayers of gratefulness to God, that He has set you in the family of faith at Johnson Ferry. Ask him to help us enjoy the inheritance we have through Jesus Christ.

Day 5: Righteousness

¹¹ To this end also we pray for you always, that our God will consider you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith with power, ¹² so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified in you, and you in Him, in accordance with the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ. - 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

Ask God to help you live today in a way that demonstrates the worthiness of your calling. Thank God for His goodness and all the ways He has worked in your life. Pray that we, as a church, would glorify Jesus Christ by living righteous life. Ask for forgiveness for any way in which you might have sinned against your fellow brother and sister at Johnson Ferry.

Day 6: Mission

¹ Finally, brothers and sisters, pray for us that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it was also with you; ² and that we will be rescued from troublesome and evil people; for not all have the faith. ³ But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one. ⁴ We have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that you are doing, and will do, what we command. ⁵ May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the perseverance of Christ. - 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5

Pray that God would use us, as a church, to help His word spread rapidly across East Cobb and Metro Atlanta. Ask God to protect us from the work of the evil one who wants to distract us from God's mission. Pray that our hearts are resolved to stay fixed on Christ and that we persevere in His mission when things get hard.

Day 7: Witness

And pray in my behalf, that speech may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel. - Ephesians 6:19

Ask God to give you a burden for the people who live around you who do not know Christ. Pray that God give you courage to overcome your fears of sharing the gospel with others. Pray for an opportunity today to have a gospel conversation with someone who God puts in your path.