

*Intercessory Prayer*

*Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.*

*James 5:16 NLT*

*The “confessing” that James wrote about is done among the saints...We confess our sins first of all to the Lord (1 John 1:9), but we must also confess them to those who have been affected by them. We must never confess sin beyond the circle of that sin’s influence.*

*Private sin requires private confession; public sin requires public confession. It is wrong for Christians to “hang dirty wash in public,” for such “confessing” might do more harm than the original sin.*

*Warren Wiersbe*

*But when God heals, it is in answer to the earnest prayers of His people, and it is in accordance with His will...Great is the power and strength of a godly person's supplication.*

*John Phillips*

*Beware of imagining that intercession means bringing our personal sympathies into the presence of God and demanding that He does what we ask... Vicarious intercession means that we deliberately substitute God's interests in others for our natural sympathy with them.*

*Oswald Chambers*

*He is not obligated to do for us whatever  
we have convinced ourselves is his will.*

*Sam Storms*

*A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil.*

*Ephesians 6:10-11*



**Belt of Truth**  
**John 14:6; John 17:17**



**Breastplate of Righteousness**  
**Jeremiah 23:6; 2 Timothy 3:16**



**Gospel of Peace**  
**John 14:27; Psalm 119:165**



## **Shield of Faith**

**Hebrews 12:2; Romans 10:17**



## **Helmet of Salvation**

**Acts 4:12; 1 Thessalonians 5:8**



**Sword of the Spirit**  
**Matthew 4:4; Hebrews 4:12**

*Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion.  
Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for  
all believers everywhere.*

*Ephesians 6:18*

*Roman armor was designed to protect the soldier's body from the enemy's weapons. Christian armor is designed to protect the soul. God does not throw us unprotected into the battle against Satan's empire.*

*John Phillips*

*The fight in which a Christian is engaged is for  
the most part upon our knees.*

*R. M. Edgar*

*I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people, ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. This is good and pleases God our Savior who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth.*

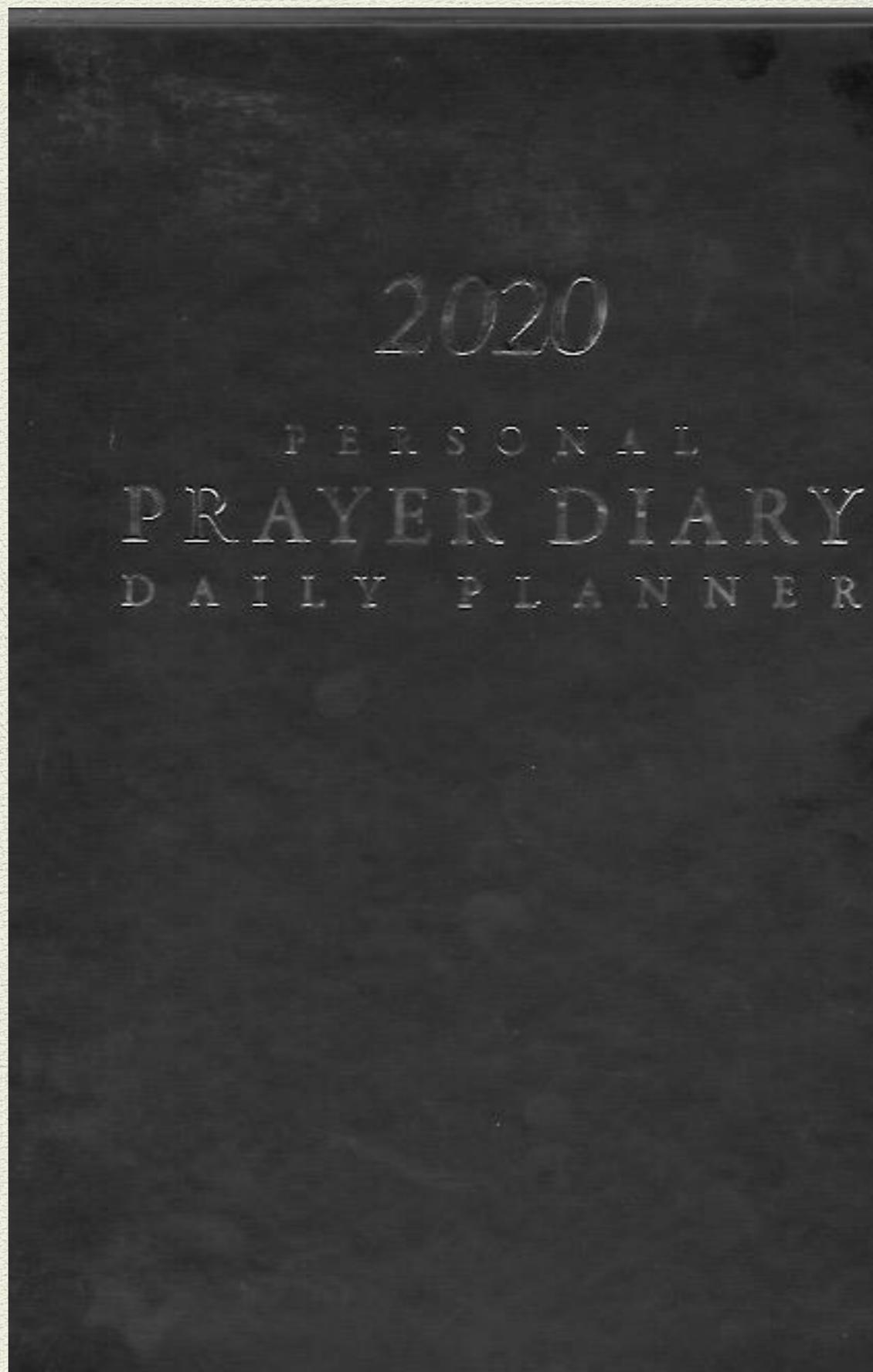
*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

*Prayers should be made for all men—for all need the grace and mercy of God; thanks should be rendered for all, for all may be saved...while all men should be the subjects of prayer, those should be particularly remembered before the throne of grace who are in authority. The reason is, that so much depends on their character and plans; that the security of life, liberty, and property, depends on them...should pray that a divine influence may descend upon them.*

*Albert Barnes*

*I wrestled for absent friends, for the ingathering of souls, for multitudes of poor souls, and for many that I thought where the children of God in many distant places...I longed for more compassion toward them.*

*David Brainerd*



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*The Lord's Prayer: "Don't be like them  
[people who babble on] for your Father knows  
exactly what you need even before you ask him."*

*Matthew 6:8*

*We think we know what God wants to do. God knows that WE are the ones who don't know what the problem is. We also have no idea what His will is unless we ask him. The verse really teaches us to simply go before the Lord, seeking to know His will about any given problem. It is really a request that is asking what to ASK!*

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*The difference between our asking God for things and inquiring of the Lord is that when we ask for things, we make the decision as to what God should do. When we inquire of the Lord, God makes the decision about what to ask for.*

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*...often our first prayer was for spiritual understanding and direction in prayer.*

*Amy Carmichael*

*The prayer of a person living right with God is something powerful to be reckoned with.*

*James 5:16 MSG*

*This is why true prayer can never be divorced from real holiness. The prayer of faith can be made only by the righteous man whose life is being more and more aligned with the covenant grace and purpose of God.*

*Sinclair Ferguson*

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has great power and  
produces wonderful results.*

*James 5:16*