

Exalting Jesus By Becoming A Praying Church

“If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples” (John 15:7-8 NASB).

1 Knowing that God is glorified when our prayers come out of our relationship with Jesus, pray that the church will focus all the more on abiding in His holy presence (John 15:7-8).

2 Pray that the church will experience the kind of revival that moves believers to constantly live in awe of God. Pray that in acknowledging His presence, we will continually praise and glorify His wonderful name (Psalm 22:23).

3 Knowing that God’s lovingkindness toward us is great, pray that the members of your church will purposefully exalt Jesus by continually offering up thanks to God (Psalm 86:12-13).

4 Being motivated by thoughts of the wonderful, spiritual inheritance laid up for us through the saving work of Christ, pray that Christians everywhere will exalt Him by praying in the Spirit for God’s will to be done in the lives of others (Ephesians 6:18).

5 Pray that the Holy Spirit will disclose to your church that which is to come so that Jesus may be exalted as we faithfully respond by joining Him in His activity around and through us (John 16:13-14).

6 Pray that Christian men everywhere will exalt Christ through a renewed commitment to pray, lifting up holy hands without wrath or dissension (1 Timothy 2:8).

7 As elders across the country are called on to pray for the sick, pray that God will be exalted through answering their faith-filled intercession (James 5:14-15).

8 Pray that Jesus will be exalted in your community and that genuine revival and spiritual awakening will take place. Pray that the word of the Lord will spread rapidly and be glorified (2 Thessalonians 3:1).

9 Pray that pastors and church members alike will exalt Christ as they make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel (Ephesians 6:19).

10 As your church family seeks and then walks according to God’s will, pray that the people living in your community will see the light of His presence being displayed through their lives and glorify our Father who is in heaven (Matthew 5:16).

11 In the midst of growing persecution and the challenging pressures of life, pray that Christians will pray without losing heart and exalt Christ through their unfailing perseverance (Luke 18:1).

12 Pray that God will be exalted as Christians remain steadfast in praying for those who mistreat them (Luke 6:28).

13 Pray that the church in America will bring glory to God by crying out to Him during times of trouble. Pray that God will be exalted by believers when He preserves them and surrounds them with songs of deliverance (Psalm 32:7).

14 Just as Jesus always lives to make intercession for those who draw near to God through Him, pray that we, too, will exalt and honor Jesus by joining Him in praying for those around us who are being saved (Hebrews 7:25).

15 Even as God exalted Jesus by appointing Him to be a high priest who stands in the gap between God and man, pray that as His followers, we, too, will develop the same kind of heart in prayerfully bringing people to God (Hebrews 7:26).

16 As Jesus ran the money changers out of the temple in Jerusalem, He described that holy place as a house of prayer (Matthew 21:13). Pray that Christians today will be just as zealous in making our churches and personal lives places of intimate prayer.

17 Pray that your church family will exalt Christ by committing themselves to rejoice always and pray without ceasing. Pray that they will learn to give thanks in everything they face (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).

18 Even as Moses and the Hebrews exalted God through song when they were delivered from the Egyptian army, pray that today's church will write and sing new songs of praise to our gracious God, the One who continues delivering us from evil (Exodus 15:1).

19 Knowing that our God reigns and is enthroned above the cherubim, pray that Christians across the globe will wholeheartedly offer up praise to His name, exalting Him above every person or human dignitary (Psalm 99:1-3).

20 Pray that your church family will consistently magnify the Lord by exalting His name together in worship, praise, and prayer (Psalm 34:3).

21 Knowing that Jesus came to seek and to save the lost, let us exalt Christ today by praying specifically for the salvation of lost family members, neighbors, work associates, and people whose names we do not even know (Luke 19:10).

22 Isaiah spoke of a virgin bearing a child whose name would be called Immanuel, "God with us" (Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23). Pray that, during this Christmas season, people in your community will acknowledge God for the first time and exalt Jesus by expressing their need for His abiding presence.

23 While focusing our hearts and thoughts on the great and wonderful deeds of God, pray that, during this Christmas season, we will join our lives with others in worshiping and exalting God's glorious name (Psalm 86:9-10).

24 The angel told Mary that her Son will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High (Luke 1:32). On this day before Christmas, let's all pause and spend time exalting and praising God for the gift He gave to mankind, the gift of His great Son.

25 May we shout to God with glorious praise! As dirty, rotten sinners, He has loved us enough to send us a Savior who delivers us from the penalty of our sin. Jesus is His name! For our salvation, Christ the Lord was born (Luke 2:11).

26 Just as the magi were filled with an exceeding great joy as they came before the young Jesus and worshiped Him, pray that Christians all across our nation will continue experiencing the joy of the Lord as they praise and exalt God's wonderful Son (Matthew 2:10-11).

27 When Jesus was eight days old, Simeon saw Him being dedicated in the temple. He described Him in a blessing to God as "A LIGHT OF REVELATION TO THE GENTILES, and the glory of Your people Israel" (Luke 2:32). Exalt Jesus today by praying that the light of His gospel will continue shining into the lives of all people, drawing them into the glory of His salvation.

28 Pray that as new believers begin following Jesus and interceding for others, they will do so with a faith that does "not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God" (1 Corinthians 2:5).

29 As we reflect back on all of God's goodness during the past year, let us thank Him for the riches of His kindness, tolerance, and patience which lead us to repentance (Romans 2:4).

30 It was declared that Jesus would reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end (Luke 1:33). As we pray for spiritual awakening during the coming year, may one of our cries be that Jesus will be exalted by reigning over the nations, drawing many into His kingdom.

31 As we find ourselves on the verge of a new year, let us exalt Jesus by praying that Christians everywhere will seek to live in submission to God's plan for their lives. Pray that every believer will attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ (Ephesians 4:13).