

CA Men's Prayer Calendar

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01. Priest – As the leader of his family, one of the man's functions is to be a priest of his home. To intercede for the people before God was the main function of the priest. (Leviticus 9:7) Lord, may I never fail to spend time in intercession for my wife and children.

02. Prophet – Another key role for men as leaders in the home is that of prophet. The prophet's task is to bring the message of God to the people (his speech contained these words: "Thus says the Lord"). Our privilege is to teach our children the Bible. (Deuteronomy 6:6,7) Lord, as I read and teach your Word to my family may I exemplify it by my conduct!

03. Completed – By exclaiming on the cross, "It is finished" (John 19:30), Jesus acknowledged that He had completed the task of saving the world. Everything that had to be done was done. Lord, when the time comes for me to leave, may my calling as a man of God have been fulfilled with excellence! (2 Timothy 4:7)

04. Charity – The most practical way to show love is to help others. A blessed family is one in which parents teach their children early the principle of sharing what they receive with others. The apostle Paul urges us to work so that we have something to share with those in need. (Ephesians 4:28) Encourage your family to be sensitive to the needs of others.

05. Devotional time – The world is in turmoil. There are noises and voices everywhere. Many of these voices want our attention. But we need solitude, a moment when we fall silent to reflect on His Word and listen prayerfully to the voice of our Lord. (Psalms 46:10) Lord, please calm my being and speak to me. (Psalms 143:8)

06. Give thanks – "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever" (Psalms 107:1). Thankfulness is not first a matter of your feeling, but a decision of your will. Ask the Lord to reveal to you in a new way His loving care and goodness.

07. Loving God – "But may they who love you be like the sun when it rises in its strength" (Judges 5:31). As the moon reflects the light of the sun, so our lives reflect our love for God. Your love for God grows in the same proportion as you seek His presence and study His Word.

08. Eyes who see – "Once more Jesus put his hands on the man's eyes. Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly" (Mark 8:25). Ask the Lord to open your eyes as well to see clearly the people He surrounded you with.

09. Property – "You sympathized with those in prison and joyfully accepted the confiscation of your property, because you knew that you yourselves had better and lasting possessions" (Hebrews 10:34). Thank you, Lord, for the gift of eternal life and the promises of your Word which pass all the riches this world has to offer.

10. Doubts – "Did God really say...?" (Genesis 3:1) With the readiness to entertain this question from the serpent started the disaster for mankind. Today, the enemy's scheme is still the same. Make the word of the psalmist your own: "Your word is lamp to my feet and light for my path" (Psalms 119:105).

11. Wine – "Do not get drunk with wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18). Watch your motives and check your priorities. Resist any passion that clouds the mind like wine. Instead, allow for the Word of God to saturate your thinking. Then the Holy Spirit will grant you discernment and guidance.

12. Crucified – "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me" (Galatians 2:20). Good News! Christ died on the cross for you and me. He redeemed us from the penalty of sin. Our adamic nature was crucified with him. By grace through faith are we born again children of God! Allow for the Spirit of Christ to live through you.

13. Pettiness – "You are still worldly. For since there are jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly?" (1 Corinthians 3:3). Amazing how easy it is for old thinking patterns to keep us captive. Allow for the Spirit of God to transform your mind and behavior and watch out against the small-mindedness of selfish ambitions and pettiness.

14. Forgiving others – "Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you" (Colossians 3:13). We can choose to be imitators of Christ as we ask Him to take control of our will and emotions. The world will easily recognize the authenticity of our faith if we love and forgive each other.

15. Pride – "All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because God opposes the proud and gives grace to the humble" (1 Peter 5:5b). At the heart of every sin is pride and independence from God. The creator and sustainer of the universe alone deserves our adoration. Allow the relationship to Him to determine all your relationships.

16. Choices – "Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers" (Psalms 1:1). The company we keep reflects our values and choices. If needed, have the courage to be alone, because if you choose to walk with God, you will always be a blessed majority.

17. Investment – "But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law, he meditates day and night" (Psalms 1:2). As a child rejoices in the love of his parents, so the believer finds security and total fulfillment in God's presence. To understand and apply His will to the many challenges of life will be his best and most rewarding investment.

18. Prosperity – "He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers" (Psalms 1:3). In Psalm One the Bible provides us with the recipe for a fruitful and prosperous life. God's work, done in God's way, will never lack God's support! (1 Thessalonians 5:24)

19. The last word – "For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish" (Psalms 1:6). Our God is the final judge of the living and the dead. Be a man who follows the example of Psalm One. Then you will hear Him say one day: "Well done good and faithful servant...come and share your master's happiness."

20. In the world – "My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one" (John 17:15). If you are a Christian, then this world is not your home. You and I are called to be witnesses for Christ. He redeemed mankind on the cross. God will give us the authority and immunity to be His ambassadors today.

21. The anger of man – "For man's anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires" (James 1:20). On average, one woman among three experiences violence through a man. If you are prone to fits of rage and hatred, seek help. "Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed."

22. Action – "Therefore prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed" (1 Peter 1:13). Our mind is the control center for our actions. Take control. Think and pray through your choices. Make your decisions in perspective of what is right before God and has eternal value.

23. GPS for life – "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6). The Global Positioning System has 24 satellites that circle the Earth in precise orbit. Since the star of Bethlehem appeared, God gave Jesus Christ as His GPS for eternal life. He is the only way home to God. Let's seek Him.

24. All-sufficient grace – Dear God, my abilities are so limited, but Your grace is limitless. You are able to make all grace abound toward me. The all-sufficient One abides in me through my union with Christ. Therefore, Your life in me will enable me to abound unto every good work. I thank You, Lord, for Your all-sufficient grace! (2 Corinthians 9:8)

25. Faith is the victory – Oh God, thank You for allowing me to be born again of Your Spirit by receiving Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. Jesus Christ has overcome the world through His death and His resurrection from the dead. Now, You have made me an overcomer in Christ. Thank You for living Your victorious life through me! (1 John 5:4)

26. Living by faith – Lord Jesus, You have made life so simple. You have justified me and made me righteous in You so that I can experience Your life. Therefore, I give up trying to live for You. By faith I trust You to live Your life through me. Now I am truly living by the faith of the Son of God! (Romans 1:17)

27. Faith builders – Thank you, God, for imparting Your Spirit to me. Now I can understand Your Word, the Holy Bible, and hear the voice of Your Spirit within me. Make me attentive to Your words in order that I might recognize Your voice. Your words give me assurance of Your will and motivate me to believe, trust, and obey You. (Romans 10:17)

28. Walking by faith – Dear God, I am grateful that You have provided me with an entirely new way of walking. I am no longer dependent on my limited eyesight to conduct my life. Now I have access to your limitless perspective. Thank You for allowing me to walk by faith in reliance upon Your Spirit's enabling. (2 Corinthians 5:7)

29. Pray for the government – "No one...can exalt a man. But it is God who judges: He brings one down and exalts another" (Psalms 75:6,7). Prayer for the government is mandated in the Bible. (1 Timothy 2:1,2) Nothing in our world happens by chance. Even if we cannot grasp those spiritual dimensions we can be part of God's plan through prayer.

30. The nature of the battle – "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms" (Ephesians 6:12). Pray for God to grant you spiritual discernment and the will-power to resist the schemes of the enemy.

31. The final victory – "And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur..." (Revelation 20:10). The devil is still the prince of this world. He still rules and creates havoc, pain and death. But his time is running out. The final victory is of Christ and those who believe in Him. Therefore, trust Him fully, whatever your lot.

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OUR MODEL

Jesus Christ, the supreme champion, who loved unconditionally, served humbly, obeyed his Father's will, and paid the ultimate sacrifice to purchase eternal joy and salvation for all who believe.

OUR METHOD

To encourage Christian men:

- To embody Christ's example, leading a life of humility, integrity and simplicity,
- To build Christ-honoring relationships in family, church, work place and the community.
- To be committed to prayer, study and living out God's Word in every aspect of their lives.

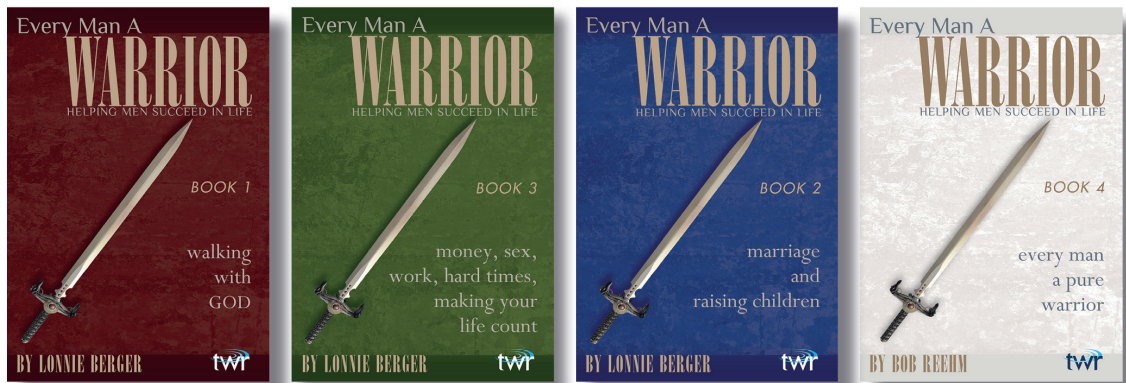
OUR GOAL

To challenge, encourage and coach men worldwide to become champions of Christ, enabled by God's Spirit to live out their true identity in Him, to run the race of faith in His power, inspiring others to do likewise.

OUR STRATEGY

In cooperation with other men's ministries, we utilize Christ-centered, grace-oriented content and emerging technologies to develop, translate, produce, distribute, and use radio and other media for teaching and coaching men throughout the world.

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