

40 Days of Prayer

Week 1 of Challenge #2

For the week of March 7-March 13

- ⇒ Even if you are a return prayer warrior, please sign up again! We'd love to know who is connecting with us in this challenge.
- ⇒ Read days 1 to 7 in *Draw the Circle* - one reading each day and use the questions given below to reflect on what you've read. Also, use the scripture provided to keep you praying the Bible.
- ⇒ Choose one day a week to connect with your prayer people. Make your time together enjoyable and effective. Whatever day you meet, challenge each other to reflect upon what you have read and pray the bible scripture together. Then take time to intercede on behalf of the ministry of EE, churches, pastors, cities, states, our country and unbelievers. These requests will be listed below and can also be found on the *Click and Pray* feature of the homepage.

We as a prayer network we are approaching this challenge as we head into our spiritual journey toward Easter on April 4 and will extend beyond Easter until April 15. I encourage you to read the introduction in this book so that you, personally, or your connections with prayer partnerships will understand the challenge behind the next 40 days. Batterson makes a profound statement, "Preaching may move the hearts of men, but praying moves the heart of God. And that's where revival comes from." In this 40 Days of Prayer I challenge us as a network to draw circles around a spiritual awakening in the United States of America with Evangelism Explosion leading the charge in assisting the church to equip the body of Christ to become united as One to win this world for Jesus Christ. We need a great revival! A 3rd Great Awakening! Draw your prayer circle!

- [Day 1](#): "If you pray to God regularly, irregular things will happen on a regular basis." Read Acts 10:1-8. What do you learn about Cornelius' prayer habits in this passage? How did this open the door for irregular things to happen to him? Read Acts 10:1-8 again using these passages to talk to God about your prayer habits and how you desire to see irregular things happen in your life and in our country for revival. Put your name in the place of Cornelius and make this scripture relevant to your life of prayer.
- [Day 2](#): "God is great not just because nothing is too big for Him, God is also great because nothing is too small." Read Proverbs 16:9. How does this verse assure you that God has everything under control? What does it say about our plans versus God's plan? Read Proverbs 16:9 again using this passage to talk to God regarding your heart, the

hearts of believers, the hearts of unbelievers, the heart of the church in America, the heart of pastors. Pray the Bible.

- Day 3: “If we give more of ourselves to God, God will give more of Himself to us.” Read Matthew 26:36-39. How did Jesus demonstrate that He was surrendering His will to God’s plan in this passage? Read Matt. 26:36-39 again using this passage to talk to God about surrender.
- Day 4: “Sometimes God delivers us from our problems, sometimes God delivers us through our problems. Read John 9: 1-5. How did Jesus “set the record straight” about why the man in this story had been born blind? Read John 9:1-5 again and make this your prayer to God about being the light of the world.
- Day 5: “The shortest pencil is longer than the longest memory.” Read Habakkuk 2:2-3. What reasons did God give to Habakkuk as to why he should write down the revelations that he was receiving? Read Habakkuk 2:2-3 again using this as your prayer to God as He speaks to you today.
- Day 6: “The greatest tragedy in life is the prayers that go unanswered simply because they go unasked.” Read Luke 11:5-8. What was Jesus’ point in telling this parable? Read Luke 11:5-8 again using this passage to pray and speak to God.
- Day 7: “If you want to see God move, make a move.” Read Matthew 14:25-33. What does this story tell you about stepping out in faith first to witness God move? Read Matt. 14: 25-33 again making it your prayer to God about taking that first step of faith.

Mark Batterson writes these words:

“I believe prayer is the difference between the best you can do and the best God can do.

It’s the difference between letting things happen and making things happen. It’s the difference between you fighting for God and God fighting for you. Over the next forty days, we’re going to pray like it depends on God and work like it depends on us. We believe that God is going to show up and show off His power, His grace, His goodness.”

Welcome to the forty-day prayer challenge #2.