



PRAYING THE PSALMS

Psalms 46-50



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PSALM 46

God, I want my eyes to stay focused on You.

Psa 46:1 (NIV) For the director of music. Of the Sons of Korah. According to alamothe. A song. God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Heavenly Father, You are my protection from everything evil. You have provided me with a place to go, whenever something is about to hurt me or scare me. Your Word has shown me how much You love me and are concerned for me. Your Holy Spirit has explained the meaning of Your Word and helped me to see that You never take Your eyes off of me.

I can come to You with my problems and needs and know that You are doing the very best for me. I can relax knowing that You are taking care of everything. You tell me what You want me to do and You empower me to do it. If You want me to take action, You fill me with the wisdom and knowledge so I can move in all the right directions with the right attitudes. If You want me to wait for a while and just relax in You, then You give me peace and patience. I rest in the security of knowing You are taking care of everything for me. Your protection, strength, and constant help in every situation has happened for me every time. You have never, never let me down or failed me.

Psa 46:2 (NIV) Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging. Selah.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 2: I open my heart up for You to fill me with the assurance of Your protection. In my own strength, I will fear and react negatively. Without Your peace and patience, I will step outside Your will. Pour Your security and truth into my heart so I can feel fearless. I don't want to try to not fear. That has never worked for me. I need Your healing power in my heart so I am empowered to never fear. I want a peace and security flooding into my heart that is so powerful that nothing causes me to doubt You. Help me to have a constant faith in You, Your love, and Your provisions. Make me so strong in You that even if the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the sea, I will stay in total faith in Your protection.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 3: I give You the emotions of my heart and allow You to heal them. Take my feelings of fear and doubt and replace them with a complete confidence in You. Stabilize my heart and direct its eyes to You. Help me to see Your greatness in comparison to the circumstances. Let me see that You are much more powerful than anything that comes against me. Fill my heart with the assurance that You are much more powerful and capable than those things Satan wants to do to me.

All Satan can do is make the waters roar and foam. He can only make the noises that sound like they are about to destroy me. He can't touch me unless I believe his lies. Satan can't drown me with the waters without getting Your permission. He can't bury me with the mountain unless You say he can. Satan has to pass through You because I have run to You and made You my refuge. I would have to get into fear and leave Your protection before he could hurt or kill me. Help me stay inside You by constantly believing that You are going to always meet my needs.

Psa 46:4 (NIV) There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. So empower me, heavenly Father, that I learn to trust You for everything. Teach me Your ways while I live on this earth. Use the circumstances of this life to prepare me for eternity. Teach me how to live in the spirit realm. Get me ready for eternity by using the systems of this earth as examples. Help me to see the parallels of how You made this planet so I can understand what my life with You is going to be like. Use the parables of Jesus to explain how my life in the Spirit works. Give me great skill in walking in Your Spirit so I can be ready to live with great skill in eternity. Make me one of Your advanced students in all spiritual methods and procedures. Soon I will be living in the city You have prepared for me and all Your people. Soon I will be looking at the river that flows in the middle of Your great city. For eternity I will be with You in the holy place where You, the Most High dwell. I want to be completely trained in and ready to live there by having all You have to offer.

Psa 46:5 (NIV) God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. Soon I won't face any evil or have any problems. You will bring me where You are and all my temptations and difficulties will be over. You will have trained me in how to live in total faith and trust in You. You will have created a heart in me that is completely yielded to You. You are building a relationship with me that is melting our hearts together. My focus is being directed toward You and making You the central desire of my heart. I am desiring to be closer to You more and more each day. By the time You bring me home to You, I believe we will be one. You are in that great city where nothing bad can happen. You have prepared a place where You are in total control. Satan and all his minions will be cast into the lake of fire. All those who refused to be separated from sin and evil will be kept out. Everything will be beautiful and wonderful. Use the experiences of this world to teach me how to live with great success and skill in this new world.

Psa 46:6 (NIV) Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; He lifts His voice, the earth melts. Heavenly Father, I see all the problems this world is having. Satan wants us to think that he is in control of all this evil I see here. Many of Your people are allowing their hearts to be filled with fear and amazement. All You have to do is lift Your voice and all of this will melt away. Nothing is happening without Your permission. Nothing is taking place that You didn't plan for it to take place. You are allowing Satan to challenge and lure any who want to believe his lies. You have given us the freedom to choose who we want to believe. Satan is trying to make his arguments and proofs to be powerful.

Help us to not be impressed with the turmoil he is creating in the nations. Take our eyes off of the wars and defeat of kingdoms. Keep our eyes on Your great power and control over it all. None of these events are evidence that You don't have control. Your Word has drawn out in great detail all of the things that are happening now. It shows us that none of these circumstances are taking You by surprise. All that is happening is flowing inside of Your plan. Help us to have faith in You and not in these calamities.

Psa 46:7 (NIV) The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah Bring my eyes into focus on You and You alone. Help me not to allow my attention to be drawn away from Your greatness onto the problems of this world. I want to be impressed with You and not with the events of this world. You are the Lord God Almighty and You are with us. The great and mighty things You did for Your people, Israel, in the Old Testament is more than enough to help me see how great and loving You are. You are patient and kind and will do whatever it takes to help me be safe. I now stop and meditate on the fact that You are with me and that You are all I need.

Psa 46:8 (NIV) Come and see the works of the LORD, the desolations He has brought on the earth. You are allowing the individuals of this world to choose their own way and then reap the problems their own ways create. You work in each person's life as You show them what their life is like without trusting in You. Then You bless them for a while so they can see what their life could be if they put their trust in You. Some are willing to see the difference and turn to You. Others refuse to see the difference and refuse to give You the praise and glory for the blessings that You send their way. Some take all the credit for all the wonderful things You are giving them. You show everyone Who You are through Your creation. You explain Your character and Your plan for them through the things You have made. You make sure they know You exist and then You send Your people to provide them with Your gospel, the good news. I can see how great You are just by looking at the events of this world. You have made Your people blessed and have allowed desolation to come against those who love to live the life of sin.

Psa 46:9 (NIV) He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth; He breaks the bow and shatters the spear, He burns the shields with fire. Everywhere You are being honored, You make the wars to cease. You do away with armaments and human efforts to be protected and safe. Everywhere You are not being honored, You are allowing them to war and fight constantly. If anyone chooses to see the difference, they can learn from these world events and be saved. All who see and come to You will be taken to a world where all wars cease all around that earth. There You will destroy all weapons of destruction and do away with all weapons of defense. We will live with You forever in a heaven and earth with everlasting peace. Now we have the opportunity to give up war in our hearts and lives and accept You as our Prince of Peace. If we will allow You to put peace in our hearts, You will allow us to live in Your Kingdom for eternity.

Psa 46:10 (NIV) "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." Help me to learn to stop trying my own ways and doing my own plans. Let me wait on You and let You show me that You are God. Give me eyes to see and ears that can hear the truth about You. Convince my heart that You are the answer to all I am and all I need. Help me to allow You to be my God in all I am and all I do. Flow in and through me so You can exalt Yourself before the nations. I give You my body and my life for You to use to exalt Yourself among all the nations. I only have this one body and one life and I give it all to You. I want You to use me to accomplish the Great Commission so we can go into all the world and proclaim Your good news to every person. Take my body and my life and use it to make disciples in every nation. Help us to baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Help us to teach them to obey everything You taught them to obey when You were doing Your earthly ministry. Be exalted in all the earth.

Psa 46:11 (NIV) The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah You are the Lord Almighty; and You are always with us. You are all we need and You will always meet our needs. You have never let me down or failed me. You are the God of the Old and New Testaments. In times without number, You have proven that You are our fortress. We can run into You and hide from all that would hurt or destroy us. Even if our body is destroyed, You have provided us with eternal life. There is nothing anyone or anything can do to us that will discontinue our eternal relationship with You. We will always exist throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity. I now stop and meditate on these awesome concepts.

PSALM 47

God, I want to praise You.

Psa 47:1 (NIV) For the director of music. Of the Sons of Korah. A psalm. Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy. God, You are worthy of all praise and worship. You have met my needs and helped me with all my problems. You have transformed my life and protected me from my satanic enemies. You have given me complete health, healing, and wholeness. You are the only one who represents purity, holiness, righteousness, and godliness. You have taught me Your fruit of the Spirit and empowered me to start living that kind of life. All mankind is bent toward evil and You provided Jesus so we could all be saved, if we choose to take advantage of it. You fill my heart with joy and happiness. I cap my hands in honor of You. Let me take Your greatness to all the nations. Help me to bring praise for You from all the people of this earth.

Psa 47:2 (NIV) How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth! God, You are awesome. You sit far above all power and authority. You are everywhere; You know everything; You have all power; and You are all love. Nothing or no one can keep You from doing anything You want to do. You are able to do and be anything You choose to be; yet You choose to be awesome and wonderful. You Who sit as the Most High choose to love me and give Your Son to bring salvation and blessings to me. Even though it looks like Satan is doing anything he wants, You are the great King over all the earth. It is so comforting to know that such an awesome God is in total control of all the earth. Satan is showing us how awful a being can be. He is demonstrating a character and use of power that reveals what You have chosen to prevent from being a part of Your character and methods. I am glad You are God; and I am glad You are my God.

Psa 47:3 (NIV) He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet. Give Your people the nations as an inheritance. Let us go into all the world and preach the gospel to every person. Give us authority over governments and powers that try to resist our ministry to the people of this world. Thank you for giving us the nations. We yield to Your power to reach their hearts with Your good news. Help me to not try to use this power and authority for anything other than for their best interests. Help me to be able to be anointed by Your complete power and presence with total submission to Your will. It is such a privilege to be one with You as we reach our world for Christ.

Psa 47:4 (NIV) He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom He loved. Selah You have adopted me into the family of Israel (Jacob) and gave me a new life inside of Jesus. Now I am in Jesus, Jesus is in me, and we are in You. Through Jesus, I have inherited You as my God and my heavenly Father. What a privilege to be Your child and You to be my dear Father. I love being in Your family and inheriting You and all You offer. I would have never imagined that any of these things could ever be possible. What a gracious and loving God You are. I will praise and worship You forever and ever. I love You with all my heart.

Psa 47:5 (NIV) God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets. Your people love You for great reasons. The way You treat us causes us to love You and shout out with great joy at Your presence. Satan mistreated us. We felt the pain it caused by going our own way. We all know how empty the promises of the world are. I tried everything else to fill the emptiness in my heart. I gave it my best efforts; and it didn't meet my needs.

Psa 47:6 (NIV) Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. I sing worship songs and praise songs to You, my King. I love our relationship of me praising You for Your greatness and loving kindness. There is no one like You. You are my creator, Savior, Healer, Supplier, Deliverer, God, and King. It is my pleasure to spend lots of time praising You and singing songs that worship You. I love You with all my heart and enjoy spending time talking to You and You talking to me. It is such a blessing to let You know how I feel and how much I appreciate Who You are and all You have done for me. I devote my life and eternity to worshipping and praising You. I run out of words that express my heart. I look forward to the moment when I can use a heavenly language to sing, praise, and worship You.

Psa 47:7 (NIV) For God is the King of all the earth; sing to Him a psalm of praise. Thank You for this psalm, heavenly Father. Thank You for providing me additional ways and concepts for praising and worshipping You. You are the authority over all authority. You are the King above all kings. You are the power above all power. Your decisions rule over any other decisions made by anyone else. You are in control of all the earth. You allow others to make temporary decisions. You give all beings an opportunity to make pure, holy, godly decisions. If they use their temporary decision-making time for evil, then You will judge them and force them to stop their evil. We have all been given ample time to repent and do what is right and godly. You have been fair with us all. I thank You for helping me to follow Your direction. I thank You for providing the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus Christ, my Lord. I sing psalms, hymns, and songs to You. You alone are worthy of all our praise.

Psa 47:8 (NIV) God reigns over the nations; God is seated on His holy throne. I am so thankful that You alone are in charge. I wouldn't trust anyone else to be in charge. It is such a privilege to have You as our God. The nations are evil enough with the temporary time You allow them to have to make their decisions of who they will follow. The world situation is difficult enough with the people of this world being given time to make up their mind concerning what they are going to do with Your provisions of salvation. With all the wars and calamities that are going on, it is comforting to know that You will eventually step in and turn everything around. Just to know that eventually You are going to take complete control and give us a thousand-year reign with Jesus. And then we will spend eternity with You in the new heaven and new earth. I am so thrilled that You reign over the nations and are seated on Your holy throne.

Psa 47:9 (NIV) The nobles of the nations assemble as the people of the God of Abraham, for the kings of the earth belong to God; He is greatly exalted. You have made us Christians the nobles of the nations. You are going to give us the power to rule over the nations during the reign of Christ over the earth. You are going to teach us how to lead the way You lead. You will continue to show us how to have power and use it for the benefit of others. You will reveal to us how to rule with a rod of iron and yet stay inside of Your love for everyone. We are learning how to yield to Your presence and power so we will not do anything to anyone that isn't representative of Your grace and mercy. You are making us one with You so we can rule and reign with You in the same fashion You rule over the world.

PSALM 48

God, I want to be thankful for all You are and all You do.

Psa 48:1 (NIV) A song. A psalm of the Sons of Korah. Great is the LORD, and most worthy of praise, in the city of our God, His holy mountain. You are the great Lord. You reign with great power and authority over all evil. You are helping all who are willing to be separated from evil to be set free. You are bringing peace into the hearts of all who accept Your salvation. Your way of bringing peace on the earth is to turn each person into a person of peace and joy. You are allowing every individual to decide where they want to live for eternity. We are all going to spend eternity somewhere and You have prepared a wonderful place for those who love the holiness, purity, and godliness You love. You alone are worthy of praise. Because You have provided us a way to live in peace and harmony with all people everywhere. You have prepared us a city of great beauty where only the pure and righteous will live. You are sitting on Your holy mountain of power and authority and are bringing great deliverance to all who want to be set free from sinning.

Psa 48:2 (NIV) It is beautiful in its loftiness, the joy of the whole earth. Like the utmost heights of Zaphon is Mount Zion, the city of the Great King. Not only is Your place of dwelling beautiful in appearance, it is beautiful in character. Your place is free from all evil and all problems. You have not allowed anything bad to enter into it so that it could be a place where everyone should want to live. It is sad that some will not allow themselves to be separated from sin and its evil deeds. Because they insist on keeping evil in their lives they seal themselves out of Your great Kingdom. Anyone can be set free from their sins, if they want to. All are welcome to be cleansed from evil and join Your family. Jesus died for all their sins and shortcomings. It is such a shame that many will not let go of evil deeds against the people around them and be saved. I pray that You would help large quantities to come to You to be forgiven and set free. Heal the hearts of the nations and make them Your children. Let them come into Your great city. Let them see You, the Great King.

Psa 48:3 (NIV) God is in her citadels; He has shown Himself to be her fortress. Because You are in Your city and in Your Kingdom, it is safe. You have all power in heaven and earth. No one and nothing is powerful enough to overcome You. Therefore, we are all completely safe forever and ever. We know that You are able to give us all You have promised because You have the power and authority to keep Your word. You are the fortress of all that exists. You are our assurance that all we are accepting from You will last for eternity. We know that we will have all the great things described in the Bible. Christianity is made real by the fact of Who You are. You alone can make such demands on people and then make such great provisions.

Psa 48:4-5 (NIV) When the kings joined forces, when they advanced together, they saw her and were astounded; they fled in terror.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 4: All power and authority that tries to take Your city, Your new heaven and new earth down will fail. Everyone and everything that attempt to destroy Your plans will fail. No matter how great the forces, no matter how powerful they advance together, they will fail. You are far greater than anything they can muster up. That is why we can have faith in You. That is why we can know that You will keep Your promises. Not only do You love us and are generous to us, You have the authority and power to back up Your words.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 5: The greatness of Your provisions are so great and mighty, just the appearance of Your provisions cause all who resist You to flee. Give us the magnificent aspects of Your presence and power. Let us go forth living inside of Your life and ministry. Empower us to stay locked inside of You and all You have to offer. Help us to not try to live or minister for You. Help us to live and serve with You. Help us to realize that all evil is fleeing from You and not from us. I want Your presence to rule and reign in my life forever. I want a relationship with You and not a life for You. I don't ever want to leave Your presence to go do anything. I want to be inside You and You inside me. Let us do everything and be everything in total oneness.

Psa 48:6 (NIV) Trembling seized them there, pain like that of a woman in labor. You give us the victory over evil. Your presence opens the doors for us to live a victorious life. Fear grips the hearts of all who try to stop You. Pain fills their hearts as You cause them to get out of the way of Your plans. You open the doors for us to serve You and the needy. You drive all our enemies out of our life and work. I want You to have Your way totally in my life and ministry. I want everyone to see You and Your work. I want to praise You for the mighty things You do in and through me. I am giving You the glory for all these victories in and through my life because Your Holy Spirit has shown me that all I do is by means of You. He has set me free from pride and arrogance. He has helped me to be set free from thinking that I am doing Your work and living the Christian life. He has shown me that You are doing all these things and deserve all the glory. Nothing I am or do can drive the enemy out of my life or the lives of others.

Psa 48:7 (NIV) You destroyed them like ships of Tarshish shattered by an east wind. You are setting me and the people of this earth free from Satan and his demonic forces. You are giving us the victory over sin and the misdeeds of our body. You are destroying the things that were destroying me. You have destroyed them like ships of Tarshish shattered by an east wind. Just by You blowing on them, You have defeated things that were much too powerful for me. It was easy for You to do a powerful work in my life. All I had to do was yield to You and I received great power and deliverance from You. Your Holy Spirit has taught me the truth concerning how to live the victorious life. He has shown me how to receive Your mighty delivering power. Living in You and You living in me is the answer to all I am and do. I place my faith and trust in You and You alone.

Psa 48:8 (NIV) As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD Almighty, in the city of our God: God makes her secure forever. Selah Everything You have promised we are experiencing. All You say You will do You do. All Your promises are coming true. You are faithful to Your words. You will never lie to us or mislead us. Because You have been so honest and trustworthy we are able to relax in You and know that all Your promises for our future will come true as well. We know that the city You have prepared for us will be just exactly as You have promised. We know that it will be far more wonderful than we have been able to imagine. I am looking forward to living in Your presence in Your great city. The city where Your will is always followed all the time. You will keep Your city secure forever and we will live there with You. I now pause and meditate on all these exciting concepts.

Psa 48:9 (NIV) Within Your temple, O God, we meditate on Your unfailing love. Our bodies are now a temple of Your Holy Spirit. You now live inside me and communicate with me Spirit to spirit. We don't have to go anywhere to any special location to pray to You and hear Your voice. You are with Your people all the time. I can carry Your presence with me everywhere I go and commune with You constantly. Help me to include You in all my thoughts and decisions. Help me to ask You questions constantly rather than trying to make decisions on my own. Anoint me to take advantage of Your presence inside me. Let me discuss everything I think and do with You so I can get Your great wisdom, understanding, and knowledge. Let Your unfailing love motive all my thoughts, words, and deeds, O God.

Psa 48:10 (NIV) Like Your name, O God, Your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; Your right hand is filled with righteousness. Your name is known all over the earth by everyone. You have used Your creation to explain Your existence and made Yourself known to every adult. Your name reaches to the ends of the earth. The greatness of Your work has given everyone the opportunity to praise You and love You. Because Your right hand is filled with righteousness, we have been treated with great love, grace, and mercy. You have blessed the whole world with the gift of Your Son. Salvation and the freedom that it brings is available as a free gift to every person. You haven't left anyone out of all You have to offer. You don't respect anyone over another. You have provided Your love to be accepted by anyone who will open their heart to You. You have been awesome in all the ways You have treated the people of this earth. You have provided us with resources that have fueled our houses and cars. You have given us rain and beauty that has filled our hearts with joy and happiness. You have given us air to breath and food to eat. I owe You a great debt of gratitude for all You have done for me.

Psa 48:11 (NIV) Mount Zion rejoices, the villages of Judah are glad because of Your judgments. God, You have made all the right decisions. Even those I didn't like at first, I found to be the right way. Not only have they been the just and fair decision, they have been the very best for me. You have used Your great wisdom, understanding, and knowledge to bless me beyond measure. You have used Your great foreknowledge to look into my future and do what was best for me. You have used Your great power to make sure I have had the very best. You have used Your greatness to be more than generous to me and those around me. I am glad because of Your judgments.

Psa 48:12-13 (NIV) Walk about Zion, go around her, count her towers, consider well her ramparts, view her citadels, that you may tell of them to the next generation.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 12: Heavenly Father, all I have to do is take a mental trip around my life and I see how great, loving, and wonderful You have been to me. Help me to spend time on a regular basis looking at the things You have done for me and my friends. Give me a deep desire to appreciate what You have already done. Don't let me be always looking at those things I need. Give me the power to spend great amounts of time looking at Your protection and provisions that have already come my way. Let me count all of the blessings You have already poured out on me. Fill my mouth and heart with praise for the way You have always come through for me and those I know about. You are my great God and I love You with all my heart.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 13: Dear God, help me to not only appreciate all the things You have done for me. Help me to give You praise before the people around me. Let me share them with the young so they will know You from my eye witness account. Let the past events of my life show forth as a guide to those who are just starting out in their life. Allow my life and my words express how great You have been to me. Give me the words to say all the things You have blessed me with. Empower my memory to bring up all the blessings, preventions, and healings You have provided me and those I know about. Let me tell about them to the next generation of people who are about to set the patterns for their life. Use my life and my words to encourage them to put their trust in You.

Psa 48:14 (NIV) For this God is our God for ever and ever; He will be our guide even to the end. You are God and You are my God. I accept You as God and I accept You as my God. I know You are in control and I give You the free will You have given me. I freely choose You to be the God-control of my thoughts, feelings, words, and actions. Guide me all the days of my life. I trust You because You are trustworthy. You have proven to me that You can be trusted with all I am and all I will ever be. Rule as God in my life and ministry. Give me and all those I am able to influence You and all You have to offer. Help me to not get in Your way as You work Your will in my life. Help me to not get in Your way as You minister to all those available for me to influence. I don't need my help and those around me don't need my help. We all need You and all You can give us. I seek You and You alone.

PSALM 49

God, I only want to hear Your words.

Psa 49:1-2 (NIV) For the director of music. Of the Sons of Korah. A psalm. Hear this, all you peoples; listen, all who live in this world, both low and high, rich and poor alike:

PRAYER FOR VERSE 1: Help me to have spiritual ears that can hear spiritual words, mighty God. Set me free from only being able to hear things that make sense to my poor, inadequate brain. I want Your wisdom, knowledge, and understanding flowing through my mind and my heart. Human thinking is so far below what You are able to give. I need the greatness that You have to offer so I can live the life You have to offer. Deliver me from living in the principles of the world and the satanic realm. Fill me with Your truth that will set me free from all the sin, sickness, sadness, and pain that comes from human philosophies. Fill my mind and my heart with Your truth. Give me deliverance from all the lies of Satan and all the confusion of the world. Speak Your Word into my mind and heart and give me ears that can hear and understand it clearly.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 2: It doesn't matter how much success or lack of success I have. I want the success that You bring. Prestige and wealth are the two major things that humans seek. The world measures people based on their popularity and wealth. You are not impressed with these human traits and accomplishments. Failure to You is based on spiritual quality. You put a priority on love, gentleness, kindness, being longsuffering, and things like that. No matter how popular we are with the world or how much money we have, You still measure us on the basis of how we got popularity or wealth. If we cheated people, lied, neglected our family, walked over others to get where we were trying to go, failed to love those around us, and used people get ahead, then You judge us as failures. Give me ears that can hear a better way of living life.

Psa 49:3 (NIV) My mouth will speak words of wisdom; the utterance from my heart will give understanding. Let me hear the utterances from Your mouth, my heavenly Father. Help me to put a priority on what You have to say. Turn my attention to You and the truth of Your words. Help me to focus on all that You are saying. Give me ears that can tell the difference between Your voice and the voice of my body, the voice of the world, and the voice of Satan. Empower me to run from all voices but Yours. Enable me to reject all other voices and give complete obedience to everything You say. Speak Your words of wisdom and understanding in to my mind, my heart, my mouth, and my life. Set me free from listening to any other words until I am completely set free from all other philosophies.

Psa 49:4 (NIV) I will turn my ear to a proverb; with the harp I will expound my riddle:

Let Your proverbs, psalms, and songs flow into my life as I listen to all You have to say. Help me to not think thoughts that are contrary to what Your proverbs, psalms, and songs have to say. Give me a great appreciation for the way You think and talk. Fill my heart with a love for Your ways. Provide me with a respect for Your greatness and superiority. Humble me and fill my heart with a hungering and thirsting after all You are. Reveal Your greatness in such a way that I hear Your words and start singing with great joy and happiness. Let Your praise flow out of my mouth to You with songs, hymns, and psalms of praise and worship. I want great understanding, wisdom, and knowledge to fill my heart so I can praise and worship You with the full truth behind them.

Psa 49:5-6 (NIV) Why should I fear when evil days come, when wicked deceivers surround me-- those who trust in their wealth and boast of their great riches?

PRAYER FOR VERSE 5: There are enemies that come against me. They have words that are trying to convince me to believe their lies. They come at me with words that are designed to create fear and unbelief in You and Your provisions. I know they can't make these evil things happen. I know I have to believe their lies before they can happen to me. Your Holy Spirit has taught me the truth about how Satan gets past Your promises and into my life. Faith in what he has to say allows him to do those things he is threatening to do. I have to believe his words over Your words. Strengthen my faith in You and Your words. Give me power to resist the words of Satan. Keep me strong in Your truths so I can destroy the threats of Satan. Give me great assurance that Satan can never do any of the things he is trying to convince me to believe. Strengthen me spiritually so I can always tear down all of the cases he builds against me. Let my mind and my heart use Your words to counter act the arguments Satan is using to convince me that he is going to be able to hurt me.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 6: I don't want to use money to gain the victory over my problems and the threats of Satan. I don't want to look to finances as my security over my life issues. I know I can pay people to help me solve my problems. I know I can buy things that will help me with the things that Satan sends my way. I have looked to human solutions and financial protection for most of my life. I have tried to earn enough money and have big enough savings to be able to solve anything that came my way. There will never be enough money to protect me from the problems of this world. You and You alone are big enough to handle all the problems I have to face in this world. Money can't buy enough solutions to keep up with all that Satan wants to send against me. You have defeated him and have given me the power to resist him and he will flee from me. I put my faith and trust in You and Your great provisions.

Psa 49:7-9 (NIV) No man can redeem the life of another or give to God a ransom for him-- the ransom for a life is costly, no payment is ever enough--

PRAYER FOR VERSE 7: Money can't buy You or Your provisions. You didn't use financial supply to try to solve our spiritual condition. You had to send Your Son into this world to die for our sins. My problems are all spiritual ones. The reason I have physical, emotional, relational, and financial problems is because of spiritual issues I have in my life. All my problems in this world come from spiritual problems I have in my heart and life. I accept the fact that natural solutions will only bring temporary relief from my physical, emotional, relational, and financial problems. I seek the permanent solutions You provide. Heal me spiritually so all my human, natural problems will be permanently fixed. Money can only buy natural solutions. Prayer can open the doors for me to get spiritual solutions from You. I pray to You and ask You to solve all my problems using Your solutions that last forever.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 8: You have proven in Your Word that Jesus and His sacrifices were the only answer to all my problems and needs. When He prayed that if there was any other way that You would set Him free from the cross, You didn't deliver Him. If there had been another way for us to be delivered from sin and the great problems it creates, You would have used it and set Jesus free from the death of the cross. I accept the fact that Jesus' death was the only payment that could have been made. There was nothing else that could ransom me from my spiritual problems. Jesus was the answer then and Jesus is the answer now. I put my faith and trust in His name of authority and power. In Jesus' name I resist all the lies and arguments Satan is bringing against me. Jesus has paid my debt and has lifted me up in Him to Your right side. Jesus and I are seated by You and we are far above all principalities and powers. In His name I resist all Satan's lies and refute all his arguments against me. I resist you Satan in Jesus' name. I use His power, authority, and position to defeat you and all you have to say.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 9: God, only You have been able to handle death and decay. You have handled my mortality and temporary life. I have Your life and will now spend eternity with You. You not only have given me eternal life, You have prepared a wonderful place for me to live for eternity. Not only that, You have prepared a glorified body for me to live in for eternity. You have thought of everything. We are all going to spend eternity somewhere. Some have chosen to keep their sins and are disqualifying themselves from being able to enter Your Kingdom. Others have chosen to be set free from their sins and be cleansed from all unrighteousness. They can enter Your Kingdom and not contaminate it with sin. Your Kingdom will be perfect because no evil or sin will be allowed to enter in. You have provided me with Your righteousness in Christ Jesus so I could be clean and would be able to enter into Your Kingdom. I praise You for providing such a great salvation.

Psa 49:10 (NIV) For all can see that wise men die; the foolish and the senseless alike perish and leave their wealth to others. This life only offers temporary pleasures and success. Your eternal life provides eternal pleasures and success. Even to my little brain it makes sense that I should make all my investments in eternity. Teach me how to store up treasure in heaven where thieves can't break in and steal it; moths can't come in and eat it; rust can't attack and dissolve it; and death can't separate me from it. All the things I learn about eternity will be able to be used in my eternal life. Teach me the systems and principles of eternity so I will be well educated in how to live in the eternal life that You are giving me. All worldly wealth and education are passing away. All spiritual training is going to last forever. I want to be led into all spiritual truths by the power of Your Holy Spirit. Teach me all about Your ways, Your truths, and Your life.

Psa 49:11 (NIV) Their tombs will remain their houses forever, their dwellings for endless generations, though they had named lands after themselves. I don't want to invest in things that don't last. Help me to not seek fame and fortune in this world. Teach me how to prepare for eternity. Give me guidance for preparing for Your Kingdom. Enable me to devote my time, money, and effort to training in on those things that will help me and all I can influence to get ready for our eternal inheritance. Keep me focused on those things that really matter. Help me to not waste time on issues that are only important for here. Give me wisdom, understanding, and knowledge so I can yield to Your life and ministry. You hold the eternal perspective in Your hand. You know what is best for giving ourselves over to Kingdom thinking. Help us to not die and leave everything we have done behind. Teach us how to send it forward into Your Kingdom.

Psa 49:12 (NIV) But man, despite his riches, does not endure; he is like the beasts that perish. Death awaits us all. This life always comes to an end. Just about the time we have everything accumulated and set up, we come to the end of our lives here. But, eternity is a place where we can flourish and grow. It holds the real potential. Help me to use all the time I have here to get ready to advance in Your Kingdom. So much can be done here that helps people come to You so they can spend eternity with me. I yield to Your Holy Spirit's teaching so I can be led into all truths. Lift my eyes up to the harvesting of people for Your Kingdom. Help me to live the kind of life that can be duplicated in the lives of the lost. Fill me with Your truths so I can pass them on to every person on this planet. Help me help all who are willing to invest all their treasures in the issues of eternity. Help me to help all who are willing to get ready for Your Kingdom.

Psa 49:13 (NIV) This is the fate of those who trust in themselves, and of their followers, who approve their sayings. Selah Heavenly Father, self-confidence, self-centeredness, self-reliance, and selfishness are becoming the predominate way of life for the people of this world. They are being taught that they need to be more self-confident in order to be successful in life. Secular humanism is spreading all around the world and is becoming the number one “religion” of mankind. They don’t realize that even though this philosophy makes sense to their human mind, it is the way of death. Help me to show them how to have faith and confidence in You. Let Your Holy Spirit convict them of this self-centered, egotistical approach to life. Breakdown the teachers of this false religion and bring them into shame. Give us the power to show the people of this world how false and futile this way of life is. Use us to set them free from self-dependency and help them to look to You for their strength, power, and help. Teach them Your truth, Your life, and Your way.

Psa 49:14 (NIV) Like sheep they are destined for the grave, and death will feed on them. The upright will rule over them in the morning; their forms will decay in the grave, far from their princely mansions. The thing that is confusing them is the fact that they seem to be having success in the achievements of their pursuits. They are winning at sports, business, and education as they increase their self-confidence. It looks to them like self-reliance is paying off and making them win at all the challenges of life. They don’t realize that they are not getting ready for eternity. Help them to see that this life isn’t all there is to their existence. They are going to spend eternity somewhere and they are preparing to spend eternity without You. The smoke of their torment will go up forever. All their “success” will crumble and they will leave all their wealth and success behind. If they don’t get ready for Your Kingdom they will spend their eternity in the lake of fire. Anoint me to do everything possible to help them come to You for help.

Psa 49:15 (NIV) But God will redeem my life from the grave; he will surely take me to Himself. Selah You have eternity with You waiting for me. Death and the grave will not be able to separate me from all You have done in and through my life. You are giving me the eternal perspective and are helping me to do everything I do for eternity. You are making it possible for all my accomplishments to be sent into eternity and becoming my inheritance. You are working all of my life into good so it can be sent ahead into Your Kingdom. I am inheriting You and all Your provisions because I have been placed inside of Jesus and Jesus inside of me. You have made me one with You and raised me up with You. Your salvation has made it possible for me to spend eternity with You. I praise You for all You are and all You have provided me. You are the great God and are worthy of all praise. I pause now and meditate on these great and wonderful truths.

Psa 49:16-17 (NIV) Do not be overawed when a man grows rich, when the splendor of his house increases; for he will take nothing with him when he dies, his splendor will not descend with him.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 16: Don't let me be impressed with the worldly accomplishments of the lost. Keep me from being distracted by the cares of this world. Keep my goals centered completely in You and Your ways. As I look around me at all the things people have accumulated, help me to realize that they are soon to pass away with a fervent heat. Put my focus on the wealth of eternity. Let my wealth be in heaven; and let my heart be where my treasure is. Enable me to only value those things that will last forever. The salvation of people is the most important and most valuable issue in this life. Help me to not just be satisfied with the fact that I am saved and going to spend eternity with You. Give me great compassion for the people who haven't accepted You as their Lord and Savior. Let me show them the way to true riches.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 17: I can send everything I do, say, think, and feel ahead into eternity. I can put my trust in You and You will help me to live a life that will transfer into eternal value. Take control of all I am and do so it and I will be raised into the glory of Your Kingdom. My body wants to lay up treasure on this earth. It only cares about creature comforts and worldly benefits. My inner person cares about eternal issues. I delight in all Your ways and the things You value. I commit everything I do and everything I am into Your hands. Shape my life so that it is devoted to those things that matter. Place Your priorities and Your perspectives in my heart so I will serve You. Be God in my life so I will do that which matters for eternity. Help me to not cater to my body's desires. Let me follow the patterns of the plans in Your Word. Give me the power and Your presence so I will yield only to Your plan for my life. Make the entirety, the sum total of all I am and all I have done count for eternity.

Psa 49:18-19 (NIV) Though while he lived he counted himself blessed-- and men praise you when you prosper-- he will join the generation of his fathers, who will never see the light of life.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 18: Completely set me free from accepting or seeking the praise of me. Help me not to do anything to be seen by men. Make me into a person who only seeks to please You. Enable me to give You all the praise and glory for everything I am and do. Help me to always see that You are living Your life and doing Your ministry through me. Therefore, You and You alone deserve the credit for all I am and all I do. I give my life to You and I give You the glory for the work You are accomplishing in me. You are all that matters. You alone are worthy of all praise. I worship You and praise Your name forever. I give up all prosperity to the work of Your plan. I devote all resources to accomplishing Your ministry. Let me prosper in such a great way that I am able to do everything You have called me to do. I give You the glory for it all.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 19: Help me to join the generation of my Father Who is in heaven. Thank you for not allowing me to be born in a family that didn't serve You. Thank you for helping me to find the truth of Your gospel, the good news. I praise You for giving me the riches of eternity rather than causing me to be born in a wealthy family. Thank you for putting me in a family that didn't have much wealth in worldly matters. Instead, You gave me eternal wealth that is in heaven with You. I praise You that You made it possible for me to see the difference between temporal wealth and eternal wealth. I thank You for letting me inherit You in Christ Jesus. Thank You for being my heavenly Father and making me Your child. I see the eternal light and I can see the truth by it. My eyes have been opened and they see all the truths that Your light is shining on. Thank You for the light that reveals the truth; and thank You for giving me eyes that can see that truth.

Psa 49:20 (NIV) A man who has riches without understanding is like the beasts that perish. I thank You for the understanding, knowledge, and wisdom You have given me. I would have been lost forever, if You hadn't shown me Your way, truth, and life. Jesus has saved me from eternal damnation. Jesus has taken me into Himself and made me sit far above all powers and principalities. Jesus has made me one with Him so I could inherit You as my heavenly Father. Your Holy Spirit has given me Your love. He has revealed our relationship to me so I can call You dear Father. You have opened my heart to Your great wisdom, knowledge, and understanding. I will not die like the beasts that perish. I will live forever with You. You are the great God and You are my heavenly Father. I praise and worship You for all the awesome things You have done for me. I love You with all my heart and life. I devote myself to You and all You have to offer.

PSALM 50

God, I want to submit to Your way.

Psa 50:1 (NIV) A psalm of Asaph. The Mighty One, God, the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to the place where it sets. You are calling all Your creation to You. You are bringing it all back into Your control. We sold it all out to Satan and allowed ourselves to be given over to his bidding. You gave the control of the earth to Adam and Eve; and they gave it over to Satan. Satan has become the god of this world; and we have become a people bent toward sin. Now You are calling it all back to You. Jesus paid the price and has gained authority over everything. Jesus has bought it all back; and now He has all power in heaven and earth. As we proclaim this good news to all creation, we take back all that was lost. All who are willing can come back to You. The earth and all its fullness now is back into Your hands. We are Your people; and I accept You as my God. I renounce all that Satan stands for. I give up my nature to sin. I come to You with all my heart and love You with all I am.

Psa 50:2 (NIV) From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth. Your greatness is shining forth from the New Jerusalem, the city prepared for Your people. I see Your beauty and perfection with the new spiritual eyes that You have given me. You are shining forth for all to see how great You are. We have been given the great privilege of showing You to all who have ears to hear. Empower Your people to demonstrate how great You are. Allow me to be used by You so You can flow through me to all who will receive You. Let Your greatness work in and through me with great power and the demonstration of Your Spirit. Let everyone on this planet see Your love and power. Let all who are willing to come to You with great dedication and love.

Psa 50:3 (NIV) Our God comes and will not be silent; a fire devours before Him, and around Him a tempest rages. Consume all who are resisting Your message and ministry. Devour all who resist us as we proclaim Your good news. Give us the right and authority to go anywhere and do anything that we need to do to let everyone have multiple opportunities to hear and see the way to Your salvation. Send us forth in great power and demonstrations of Your great work. Let all be set free who will listen to Your message and receive Your forgiveness. Go in and through us to every person on this planet. Help us to reach every single person with Your message and with Your power. Let them all see how wonderful You are. Fill their lives with proof of Your great salvation. Allow everyone to know that You are their God and the Savior of their life. Don't let there be any doubt that You are real and that You reward all who diligently seek You.

Psa 50:4 (NIV) He summons the heavens above, and the earth, that He may judge His people: Help us all to be ready for the judgment day. Help Your people to stay faithful to You all their lives. Help us to serve You with all our hearts. Give us a complete dedication to all You are. Make us into people who are doing everything You require of us. Teach us every deed and word of Jesus. Help us to obey everything He said and did. Empower us to not only hear every word but to live it all. Transform us and make us into people who respect all You stand for. Give us faith to realize that Your way is the only way. Help us to believe that Your life is the only life to live. Teach us Your truth so we can be completely set free. Give us the privilege of standing before You with perfectly clean robes of righteousness. Make us Your righteousness in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Psa 50:5 (NIV) "Gather to Me My consecrated ones, who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice." I accept the sacrifice of Jesus as being my sacrifice. I believe that He died in my place. I accept the New Testament covenant ratified by Jesus' blood. He died for all the people of this planet. His death provided salvation for all who will confess with their mouth that He is their Lord and will believe in their heart that You raised Him from the dead. We have made a covenant with You to believe in You and to live by faith in You. Your people accept Your grace and mercy as an awesome gift that cannot be earned. You have given us a free gift that can only be received by faith. My faith is in You and You alone. Strengthen my faith and keep it consistent and strong. Help me to never doubt You are put my trust in anything or anyone else. I commit all I am and all I do to Your keeping.

Psa 50:6 (NIV) And the heavens proclaim His righteousness, for God Himself is judge.

Selah. The heavens and all of creation proclaims Who You are. You have used all of heaven and earth to show me Your existence. You have powerfully shown me that You exist and that You are the creator of the universe. You make the rules and You decide what the patterns of life will be. You rule everything and we must accept the commandments You put forth. You are in charge and we are Your subjects. I accept Your rules, edicts, and commandments. I not only obey them in obedience and submission. I obey You because my heart agrees with all You have established as principles, rules, and laws for this universe. I agree with the motives and purposes You have for setting these principles, rules, and laws in place. Your reasons for making them the requirements for all creation are righteous and pure. You are gracious and merciful and I believe in Your love for me and all people.

Psa 50:7 (NIV) "Hear, O My people, and I will speak, O Israel, and I will testify against you: I am God, your God. Give me a life that yields completely to You as God over my life. I hear Your voice and I accept Your words into my heart. I believe that You are God and You are my God. I believe You have made me a part of all the promises You made to Abraham. I believe that You have made me to be one of Your people. I believe that You have placed me in Jesus and I am not a candidate for all He provides. I accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior and I bow my life before Your throne. You are my heavenly Father; and I am Your Child. I have Your salvation and will spend eternity with You. You have accepted me into Your great Kingdom and have prepared a special place for me. Thank you for all You have done for me.

Psa 50:8 (NIV) I do not rebuke you for your sacrifices or your burnt offerings, which are ever before Me. I now give up all my human efforts to try to please You. I give up all the Old Testament systems that were set forth for those who didn't have Jesus' sacrifice. You couldn't live inside them; so they had to use their own strength to come to You. I lay all those human strengths down and accept the power of the Holy Spirit to do them in and through me. Jesus' sacrifice bought me permanent forgiveness and a righteousness from You. I no longer have to involve myself in animal sacrifices or burnt offerings. Jesus paid it all. He is my sacrifice before You. I don't have to go year after year to get forgiveness. Jesus' one sacrifice did it for me once and for all. He will never have to die again. It was sufficient for all the sins of all humans for all times.

Psa 50:9-10 (NIV) I have no need of a bull from your stall or of goats from your pens, Psa 50:10 (NIV) for every animal of the forest is Mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 9: With the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, You no longer require the ritual of animal sacrifices. They were just the type, example, and shadow of things to come. You were giving spiritual illustrations of the great New Testament that Jesus was coming to fulfill. The Old Testament was ratified by the blood of animals. The New Testament has been ratified by the blood of Your Son. His blood was perfect and powerful enough to bring a finality to all forgiveness of sin and death. You, Jesus, have provided us with a completed package that meets every need we have. We are now complete in You. All power in heaven and earth is in You. I am in You and You are in me. I don't need anything else to complete me. I look to You and You alone for the meeting of all my needs. Thank You God for taking care of all my needs and providing me with eternal life.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 10: I can't give You anything. Everything belongs to You. I give up my claim to anything I think I have. All I have belongs to You. I release it all and yield it all into Your control. You have given me a lot of opportunities and possessions. But, they are all from You. I give them all back to You for You to use for Your glory and honor. All I have and all I am I devote to Your use. I use the free will You have given me to give it all back to You. Use me and everything You give me to accomplish Your will on this earth. I freely submit my life and ministry to You and Your work. You are my God and You are all I need. All my needs will be met by You. I won't have to step outside of You to get my needs met. Help me to always keep my faith and dependency on You. Keep me inside of You and stay inside me forever, I pray.

Psa 50:11 (NIV) I know every bird in the mountains, and the creatures of the field are Mine. We can't give You anything You need. We are the ones who need help. False gods are fashioned to need the help of their followers. They are dead so they have to be supported by the provisions of their worshippers. They can't help anyone so all who follow them have to help themselves. You are the living God; You don't need help. Instead, You are the One Who helps us. You know every bird in the mountains. Everything belongs to You. You created everything so we would have a place to live. You didn't need the universe or the planets. You didn't need the earth, water, or air. All these provisions are Your provisions for us. We needed all of these things and You created them so we could live here. We owe You our lives. I praise You for all Your provisions. Everything I have has been provided by You. You have been meeting my needs all my life. I show my appreciation for all Your provisions by praising and worshiping You. I believe in You and all You have provided. Since You have been so generous, I can see that I don't have to worry or fret. You were taking care of me long before I met You. Everything was in place before I was born.

Psa 50:12 (NIV) If I were hungry I would not tell you, for the world is Mine, and all that is in it. All Your needs are met by You. You are complete in Yourself. We need to praise and worship You. We need to give You the credit for all we are and all we have. Pride kills and destroys us. Just like pride turned Satan into the evil being he is, so will pride turn us into evil people. You know You are all powerful, all knowing, are everywhere, and have all wisdom; and none of these abilities and powers damage Your character. Still You are generous and loving. In spite of Your absolute power and authority, You still maintain grace and mercy for all mankind. You own everything and yet You give it away to us who do not deserve it. We don't have anything we can give to buy any of the things we need. I submit myself to You. I praise You because You alone can handle praise. I give You all the glory and all the honor because You deserve it. I give up all credit that I might take to myself. I release all pride out of my life. I don't deserve any praise or credit. Plus, I wouldn't be able to handle it, if I did. It would destroy me and turn me into an evil person. So, I give all praise, credit, and worship to You.

Psa 50:13 (NIV) Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats? None of the sacrifices You established in the Old Testament were for You. Humans needed to see the death that sin produced. We of the New Testament had to have a perfect sacrifice so we could be forgiven of our sins. Even though we have seen Your great sacrifice, many times we still don't see the magnitude of the evil sin is. Often we don't see why Jesus had to die for our sins. Frequently we are blind to the spiritual issues of the deadliness of sin on the people of this planet. Help us to see how deadly sin has been. Help us to see the wars, fighting, killing, cheating, lying, and pain we have brought on each other because of sin. Give us spiritual insight into how much the earth has been changed because of sin. The storms, disease, weeds, earthquakes, death, and suffering all because of the fact that sin entered into this world. Open my eyes and help me understand why You hate sin. Fill me with Your righteousness and drive out the filth of the works of my body. Make me into a loving person who has put my complete dependency on Your way of living.

Psa 50:14-15 (NIV) Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High, and call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor Me."

PRAYER FOR VERSE 14: I give myself over to sacrifices of thank offering to You, my God. I commit my vows over to Your ability to make them work. I believe that You are the only way I can fulfill a vow. I can't make promises in my own strength. I will fail all vows and break all promises, if I put my trust in me. But I can fulfill my vows and keep my promises, if I put my trust in You. Empower me to do everything I am reading in Your Word. Use me to live the commandments that Jesus taught. Enable me to teach everyone everywhere to obey all You taught us to do. Help us to go into all the world and proclaim the good news to every person and to make disciples in every nation. Help us to baptize them and teach them to obey everything You taught. Make us into Your people to serve You in every way possible. I am Your person who is asking for the privilege of serving You all over this earth. Let Your great glory and honor be spread around the world.

PRAYER FOR VERSE 15: It isn't so much what I can do for You. It is what You can do for me. You are the answer to all mankind. We need You and all You provide. I call on You right now. I am always in trouble. Even when I don't know I am in trouble, I am in trouble. You are able to prevent all of the evil that Satan wants to do to me. I don't know what his plans are; but I know they are all evil. You know his plans and are setting me free from them. I call on You each day to deliver me from evil and the evil one. Help me to see all the things You protected me from so I can honor You. Let me see Your love and great provisions so I can enumerate them before You. I want to have knowledge of all Your provisions; and I want to be filled with great appreciation and praise for all You have done and are doing. Help me to call on You constantly; because I constantly need You and all You have to offer. There is never a moment when I don't need You.

Psa 50:16 (NIV) But to the wicked, God says: "What right have you to recite My laws or take My covenant on your lips? Heavenly Father, it isn't a ritual of reading and stating Your words. Your words exist to transform our lives. You haven't given us Your Word so we could just learn, memorize, quote, and teach it. You want us to live it. If we learn it all and are still wicked, then we haven't allowed You to use it to change us. Make me a person who lives Your Word. Fulfill all its principles in me. I give myself, my life, and my ministry over to You and Your Word. Live Your life in and through me. I can't live this life You have described in Your Word by my own power. I need You to live it in and through me by Yourself. You are the answer to my success at being a Christian. You know that if I were to receive Your great power separate from You, I would use it for all the wrong reasons. I have to have all Your power, all Your character, all Your motives, and all Your principles before I would be able to live the Christian life. In other words I need all of You in order to live the Christian life. I turn my life over to You for You to live in and through me.

Psa 50:17 (NIV) You hate My instruction and cast My words behind you. Deliver me from anything that would cause me to resist Your instructions. Empower me to agree with everything You say. I know there are things I read in Your Word and don't understand. Because of that lack of understanding, there are times when I think I don't want what Your Word is describing. Heal my heart and heal my understanding so I will want everything Your Word presents. God, You know that I am limited in my ability to reason. It is easy for me to misunderstand what You are saying. It is typical of me to see things from an inadequate perspective. Pour Your knowledge, understanding, and wisdom into me. Let Your Holy Spirit reveal Your truths to me in such a way that I agree with everything You say. Set me free from misunderstanding and therefore rebellion against things in Your Word. Produce all of Your Word in my heart, life, and ministry. I yield to You and Your Word.

Psa 50:18 (NIV) When you see a thief, you join with him; you throw in your lot with adulterers. Mighty God, there is a way that seems right to me and yet it would end in death. My way of thinking is opposite of the way things really are. I grope around in darkness and constantly need Your great light. Shine the light of Your truths into my way of seeing things. My understanding, knowledge, and wisdom are all weak and inadequate. Yet that is what I often use to make my decisions. I can't see the circumstances around me; and I can't see what the future holds. I am blind to what the consequences of all my decisions will be; yet sometimes I go ahead and make decisions without consulting You. You see it all and know it all. You are always available for me to look to for my decision making. Stealing from people hurts them and me; yet I can justify my misdeeds. Sex provides great pleasure in my body; yet just having sex isn't what I need. If I gravitate toward the meeting of my own needs, I use systems that meet my needs but hurt those around me. If I win at life by walking over the people around me, I succeed by using the principles of the body, the world, and the devil. If I look to You, I will win at life by helping others get their needs met. You have a system of life where everyone wins.

Psa 50:19 (NIV) You use your mouth for evil and harness your tongue to deceit. It can feel so good to run others down and make myself look good. But, that isn't the way You want to help me feel good about myself. When I use my mouth for evil and connect my tongue to deceit, I am trying to meet my own needs by using evil systems. Deliver me from using any systems other than Yours. You have a way for me to feel good about myself without hurting others. Your way is a perfect way where no one is considered superior to another. I can get my needs met by helping others get their needs met. I can give to others and You will prosper me. The more You prosper me, the more I am able to give to others. The more I give to others, the more You continue to prosper me. I want to get into the flow of that way of life. Heavenly Father, I give my mouth over to You and I connect my tongue to the control of Your Holy Spirit.

Psa 50:20 (NIV) You speak continually against your brother and slander your own mother's son. Set me free from criticizing those around me. Let me see my own faults so I won't get to thinking I am superior to others. Help me to see all the faults You have healed in my life. Then let me see that I didn't deserve all of that healing. All You have made me and healed me of has come by grace. I am a much better person only because of Your great handy work. You love all those around me just as much as You love me. You want to do the same work You have done in me in their lives. Help me to help them out of gratitude to You. Rather than being critical of them, let me love them and want Your great transforming power to work in them. Help me to not be selfish and try to keep all Your great provisions for myself. Heal me from speaking against and slandering people.

Psa 50:21 (NIV) These things you have done and I kept silent; you thought I was altogether like you. But I will rebuke you and accuse you to your face. I am glad You sent Your Holy Spirit into the world to convict us concerning sin, righteousness, and judgment. Thank You for causing us to feel miserable about all the evil things we have been doing. If You hadn't caused us to feel miserable about our sins, we would have never realized that we needed a Savior. You empowered our conscience to feel guilt and pain for the way we were living. You showed us the magnitude of the damage our sins were creating in the lives of others. I wanted to escape all that guilt and pain. I wanted to feel good about myself in spite all the damage I was doing to others. The world was trying to teach me to accept myself as I was. But, Your Holy Spirit wouldn't leave me alone. He kept causing me to feel bad about the sins I was committing against others. Finally I turned to You for deliverance and healing. You helped me to take advantage of the wonderful provisions that Jesus made. Now I have been born again and made into a new creation in Him. Thank You for Your great salvation and healing in my heart and life.

Psa 50:22 (NIV) "Consider this, you who forget God, or I will tear you to pieces, with none to rescue: Help me to consider all You want me to consider. Let me yield to You without any resistance. Show me why I need all Your changes and transformations. Enable me to understand the reasons and come into agreement with all Your truths. I know I deserve to be torn to pieces. I know that I have hurt a lot of people. I know I have taught others how to involve themselves in other sins. I know I have caused them to sin by my influence on their lives. I know that if it were not for Your grace and mercy, there would be no hope for me. I yield to Your grace and mercy. I believe in Your forgiveness. I accept Your forgiveness for all the sins I have committed against You and the people around me. I can't forgive myself; but I can accept Your forgiveness. You paid the price of death on the cross so I could be forgiven. If I forgive myself, then I am just being nice to me. But, if I accept Your forgiveness, then I agree with You that Your sacrifice was enough to cover all my evil deeds. My forgiveness of myself is weak and powerless. Your forgiveness is based on truth and power. Your forgiveness is enough for me.

Psa 50:23 (NIV) He who sacrifices thank offerings honors Me, and he prepares the way so that I may show him the salvation of God." God, I send sacrifices of praise, worship, and thanksgiving to You. I sacrifice my time, efforts, and money to You so I can have time to spend with You. I want to prepare a way for You to be able to show me the salvation of You, my God. I praise You; I worship You; I give You the praise that You deserve. No one thinks like You do. You are unique in all the principles that You teach. The demands You are placing on my life are perfect in every way. It is a privilege to be able to spend and sacrifice my time by thanking You for all You have done. It is easy to thank You. There isn't enough time in my life to run out of things to thank You for. I praise You for eternity. I am going to need all of it to try to thank You for all You are and all You have done for me. I thank You and praise You for showing me Your great salvation.