

# Praying For People

## “Praying For One Another”

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**The Problem of Pervasive Sickness – physical, spiritual, emotional.**

### I. Prayer With the Elders/Pastors – James 5

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“Call for the elders.” Leaders pray for heavy burdens. When sin-sick, physically sick, emotionally sick, faith-sick, discouraged, fainting in faith.

### II. Prayer One For Another – James 5

**One Another Passages – mutual encouragement**

James 5:16 **Confess** your faults one to another, and **pray one for another**, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. People are to pray for each other daily. Bear one another’s burdens. Galatians 6:2

**Men are loners.**

Tough it out. Wear the mask. Pretend you are winning, victorious, strong, invincible!

### III. Prayer Partners – Matt 18

Matthew 18:18-20

18 Verily I say unto you, Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. 19 Again I say unto you, That **if two of you shall agree** on earth as **touching any thing** that they shall **ask**, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

**How to Find a Prayer Partner –**

**How to Meet With a Prayer Partner –** accountability, confidentiality

**Conclusion:**

Communion Service: Let it be healed. Examine yourself.

1 Corinthians 11:28 Let a man **examine** himself, and so let him eat of bread, drink of cup.

1 Corinthians 11:30 For this cause many are **weak and sickly** among you, and many sleep.

## Get Into A Small Group

- 1.An Adult Sunday School Class
- 2.A Men's or Women's Bible Study.
- 3.Start your own small group.
- 4.Find a common denominator (interest group)
- 5.Meet regularly for caring, sharing, and praying.
- 6.Do it faithfully for six months to one year.

## Choose A Prayer Partner

- 1.Someone of the same gender (male, female)
- 2.Someone who will be faithful, punctual.
- 3.Someone you like to be with.
- 4.Someone with a kindred spirit.
- 5.Someone who will be honest.
- 6.Someone whose wisdom you trust.
- 7.Someone you can trust with secrets.

## Meet With Your Prayer Partner

- 1.Make it once-a-week (once a month).
- 2.Meet for ½ hour minimum.
- 3.Follow an agenda. (see suggestions)
- 4.Accountability questions.
- 5.Talk about sin, temptations, failures, struggles
- 6.Be honest, soul-transparent.
- 7.Ask what God has been saying in devotions.

## Start Living Together (One Another Passages)

1.Accept ... (Romans 15:5-7)	11.Greet ... (Romans 16:16)
2.Be kind ... (Eph 4:32)	12. Admonish ... (Romans 15:14)
3.Lay down your life (1 Jn 3:16)	13. Confess faults ... (James 5:16)
4.Put up with ... (Eph 4:2)	14. Comfort ... (1 Thess 4:18)
5.Honor ... (Romans 12:10)	15. Edify (1 Thess 4:18)
6.Love ... (John 13:34)	16. Exhort ... (Heb 3:13)
7.Serve ... (Gal 5:13)	17. Forgive ... (Eph 4:32)
8.Submit to ... (Eph 5:21)	18. Sing to ... (Eph 5:19)
9.Wash feet ... (John 13:14)	19. Pray for ... (James 5:16)
10. Bear burdens ... (Gal 6:2)	20. Spur on ... (Heb 10:24)

# Prayer Scriptures

"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." (James 5:16 KJV)

"These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brethren."

"And it came to pass in those days, that He went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God." (Luke 6:12 KJV)

"Who in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto Him that was able to save Him from death, and was heard in that He feared" (Hebrews 5:7 KJV)

"They lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is" (Acts 4:24 KJV)

"In every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." (Philippians 4:6 KJV)

"For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers" (1 Peter 3:12 KJV)

"And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses." (Mark 11:25-26 KJV)

"Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." (Matthew 21:21-22 KJV)

"I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." (1 Timothy 2:8 KJV)

<http://www.keyway.ca/htm2004/20040620.htm>

## ***No Man Is An Island***

*No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main.*

*If a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as if a promontory were, as well as if a manor of thy friend's or of thine own were: any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind, and therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee.*

## **I Am A Rock by Paul Simon**

A winter's day-  
in a deep and dark December  
I am alone-  
Gazing from my window to the streets below  
On a freshly fallen silent shroud of snow.  
I am a rock, I am an island.

I've built walls,  
A fortress deep and mity  
That none may penetrate  
I have no need of friendship  
friendship causes pain  
It's laughter and loving I disdain  
I am a rock, I am an island

Don't talk of love  
but I've heard the word before  
It's sleeping in my memory  
I won't disturb the slumber of the feelings that have died  
If I never loved I never would have cried  
I am a rock, I am an island

I have my books  
and my poetry to protect me  
I am shielded in my armour  
Hiding in my room, safe within my womb,  
I touch no one and no one touches me.

I am a rock, I am an island  
And a rock feels no pain, and an island never cries.

# Loneliness

*"Look to my right and see; no one is concerned for me.  
I have no refuge; no one cares for my life."  
Psalms 142:4*

## **Misc. Facts on Loneliness:**

If you feel lonely, you are not alone! Over 23.6 million people in the U.S. live alone, according to US Census Bureau figures. (38% are elderly.) In 1950, 10% of households consisted of just one person. In 1994, this number has increased to 24%.

It was God (not a complaining Adam) who declared, "It is not good for the man to be alone..." And that was before the fall!

Loneliness has long been the topic of poetry and song, whether rock, country, etc. From Janis Joplin's "All is Loneliness" to Yoko Ono's "Loneliness" (below), the inner cry of the spirit is for fellowship. "No man is an island."

## **All is Loneliness**

*(Janis Joplin)*

Every day when I walk home  
I see loneliness been a-waiting for me, baby.  
You know I open my front door,  
I said Mr. Loneliness is waiting for me at home...

There ain't no hideaway from here, man ...  
I ain't got no any kind of friends, man, I ain't got none...  
When I come home there's nothing  
Nothing, man, there's no animal moving,  
There's nothing, man ..

## **Loneliness**

*(Yoko Ono)*

There are many things in life I can endure  
One such thing is poverty  
But loneliness, loneliness is one thing  
I can't endure ...

How could I stand loneliness, loneliness  
How're you supposed to cope with loneliness, loneliness  
How would one live with loneliness, loneliness  
Loneliness, loneliness ...

# The Lone Ranger

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The Lone Ranger was a long-running early radio and television show based on characters created by George W. Trendle, and developed by writer Fran Striker.

The titular character is a masked Texas Ranger in the American Old West, who gallops about righting injustices, usually with the aid of a clever and laconic American Indian called Tonto, and his horse Silver.

*"A fiery horse with the speed of light, a cloud of dust, and a hearty Hi-Yo, Silver! The Lone Ranger! With his faithful Indian companion, Tonto, the daring and resourceful masked rider of the plains led the fight for law and order in the early West. Return with us now to those thrilling days of yesteryear... The Lone Ranger rides again!"*

**It was on the 30 January 1933 that the Lone Ranger first rode across our imaginations on his white horse, Silver, inviting listeners to return to those thrilling days of yesteryear.**

Episodes usually ended with one of the characters lamenting the fact that they never found out the hero's name

*("Who was that masked man?"), only to be told, "Why, that was the Lone Ranger!"*

As he and Tonto ride away into the sunset. The theme music was the "cavalry charge" finale of Gioacchino Rossini's William Tell overture, now inseparably associated with the series.