





Prayer & Declaration

Nineteen prayer points for September

The Ninth Month

Kislev: the month of Haggai's promise, Nehemiah's burden, Ezra's assembly and the Feast of Dedication



From This Day On

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Haggai 2:18–19 (ESV)

Consider from this day onward, from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month. Since the day that the foundation of the LORD's temple was laid, consider: Is the seed yet in the barn? Indeed, the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, and the olive tree have yielded nothing. But from this day on I will bless you.

DECLARATION

Father, I take You at Your word: from this day on You will bless me. Every season that has yielded nothing ends here, and my barn, my labour and my household begin to bear fruit, in Jesus' name.



Shake the Thrones, Set the Signet

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Haggai 2:21–23 (ESV)

I am about to shake the heavens and the earth, and to overthrow the throne of kingdoms. I am about to destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the nations, and overthrow the chariots and their riders. And the horses and their riders shall go down, every one by the sword of his brother... I will take you, O Zerubbabel my servant... and make you like a signet ring, for I have chosen you, declares the LORD of hosts.

DECLARATION

O Lord of hosts, I shake every throne raised against me. I overthrow the chariots and riders pursuing my family in the mighty name of Jesus!



A Burden for the Broken Walls

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Nehemiah 1:1, 4 (ESV)

The words of Nehemiah the son of Hacaliah. Now it happened in the month of Chislev, in the twentieth year, as I was in Susa the citadel... As soon as I heard these words I sat down and wept and mourned for days, and I continued fasting and praying before the God of heaven.

DECLARATION

Father, give me Nehemiah's heart this month. Show me what is broken in my family, my church and my nation, and lay the burden of it on me until the walls are rebuilt, in Jesus' name.



Assembled and Trembling

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Ezra 10:9 (ESV)

Then all the men of Judah and Benjamin assembled at Jerusalem within the three days. It was the ninth month, on the twentieth day of the month. And all the people sat in the open square before the house of God, trembling because of this matter and because of the heavy rain.

DECLARATION

Lord, gather Your people and bring us to holy trembling before You. Let no rain, no weariness and no distraction keep me from the place of repentance, in Jesus' name.



The Knife and the Fire Pot

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Jeremiah 36:22–24 (ESV)

It was the ninth month, and the king was sitting in the winter house, and there was a fire burning in the fire pot before him. As Jehudi read three or four columns, the king would cut them off with a knife and throw them into the fire in the fire pot, until the entire scroll was consumed... Yet neither the king nor any of his servants who heard all these words was afraid, nor did they tear their garments.

DECLARATION

Lord, deliver me from the knife of Jehoiakim. I will not cut away Your word to suit my comfort. Give me a heart that trembles at what You have said, in Jesus' name.



Mercy, Justice and a Guarded Heart

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Zechariah 7:1, 9–10 (ESV)

In the fourth year of King Darius, the word of the LORD came to Zechariah on the fourth day of the ninth month, which is Chislev... Thus says the LORD of hosts, Render true judgments, show kindness and mercy to one another, do not oppress the widow, the fatherless, the sojourner, or the poor, and let none of you devise evil against another in your heart.

DECLARATION

Lord, let the word of this ninth month find me doing justice and loving mercy. Guard my heart from devising evil, and make me a defender of the widow, the fatherless and the poor, in Jesus' name.



Rededicate the Temple

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John 10:22–23 (ESV)

At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon.

DECLARATION

Jesus, I rededicate my body, my home and this ministry to You as Your temple. Let every altar the enemy defiled be cleansed, and let the lamp be relit, in Jesus' name.



He Holds the Keys

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Revelation 1:17–18 (ESV)

Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

DECLARATION

Jesus, You hold the keys of Death and Hades. Death has no key to my house, my family or my ministry. Every appointment with untimely death is cancelled, in Jesus' name.



Every Covenant With Death Annulled

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Isaiah 28:18 (ESV)

Then your covenant with death will be annulled, and your agreement with Sheol will not stand; when the overwhelming scourge passes through, you will be beaten down by it.

DECLARATION

I renounce every covenant with death spoken over my life, my bloodline and my children, knowingly or unknowingly. By the blood of Jesus it is annulled and it shall not stand.



I Shall Not Die but Live

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Psalm 118:17 (ESV)

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

DECLARATION

I shall not die but live. I will recount the deeds of the Lord in the land of the living, and my testimony will not be silenced before its time, in Jesus' name.



Free From the Fear of Death

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Hebrews 2:14–15 (ESV)

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

DECLARATION

Jesus, by Your death You destroyed the one who held the power of death. I refuse the fear of death and the slavery it breeds. I walk free today, in Jesus' name.



I Am the Lord, Your Healer

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Exodus 15:26 (ESV)

If you will diligently listen to the voice of the LORD your God, and do that which is right in his eyes, and give ear to his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, your healer.

DECLARATION

Lord, You are my healer. I set my heart to listen and obey, and I receive Your promise that the diseases of Egypt will not come upon me or my household, in Jesus' name.



He Heals All Your Diseases

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Psalm 103:2–3 (ESV)

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases.

DECLARATION

Bless the Lord, O my soul. He forgives all my iniquity and heals all my diseases. I forget none of His benefits, and I receive healing in my body today, in Jesus' name.



By His Wounds

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Isaiah 53:4–5 (ESV)

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

DECLARATION

Jesus, You carried my griefs and bore my sorrows. By Your wounds I am healed. I refuse to keep carrying what You have already borne, in Jesus' name.



Sickness Taken From Among Us

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Exodus 23:25–26 (ESV)

You shall serve the LORD your God, and he will bless your bread and your water, and I will take sickness away from among you. None shall miscarry or be barren in your land; I will fulfill the number of your days.

DECLARATION

Lord, take sickness away from among us. Bless our bread and our water, let none in this house miscarry or be barren, and fulfil the number of our days, in Jesus' name.



I Will Save Your Children

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Isaiah 49:24–25 (ESV)

Can the prey be taken from the mighty, or the captives of a tyrant be rescued? For thus says the LORD: Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken, and the prey of the tyrant be rescued, for I will contend with those who contend with you, and I will save your children.

DECLARATION

Lord, contend with everything that contends with my children. Whatever the mighty have seized, take it back. I claim my children out of the hand of the tyrant, in Jesus' name.



Taught by the Lord

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Isaiah 54:13 (ESV)

All your children shall be taught by the LORD, and great shall be the peace of your children.

DECLARATION

My children shall be taught by the Lord Himself, and great shall be their peace. I declare divine instruction over their minds and the peace of God over their hearts, in Jesus' name.



Back From the Land of the Enemy

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Jeremiah 31:16–17 (ESV)

Thus says the LORD: Keep your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears, for there is a reward for your work, declares the LORD, and they shall come back from the land of the enemy. There is hope for your future, declares the LORD, and your children shall come back to their own country.

DECLARATION

Father, I keep my voice from weeping, for there is a reward for my labour. My children shall come back from the land of the enemy, and there is hope for my future, in Jesus' name.



The Promise Is for Your Children

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Acts 2:38–39 (ESV)

And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”

DECLARATION

The promise is for me and for my children. I stand on Your covenant and claim the gift of the Holy Spirit for my household, and for those still far off, in Jesus’ name. Amen.



