

October 13 | Sunday

Prayer is Air: Breakthrough

Read [Ephesians 3:14-21](#)



14 | Mon – Start by asking | Read [Matthew 7:7-13](#) / [Ephesians 3:20](#)

There are times in life when critical situations arise, things that seem unsolvable, and you don't know what you are going to do. You may have tried and tried to make a difference without success and it seems beyond your abilities. These verses are a reminder that you are not alone and the God you serve is able to do more than you can even imagine but you must ask. Do you need a breakthrough for yourself or someone you love?

15 | Tue – God has a better idea | Read [Judges 7:15-22](#)

God's people were being harassed and oppressed by other nations. In their distress, they cried out to God for help and He sent them a deliverer. Gideon was one of the least likely men to be chosen. Yet it was his sense of inadequacy that caused him to listen to and obey God's very strange directions. With trumpets and torches hidden in empty jars, his 300 warriors routed an army of 135,000 invaders (verse 8:10). In response to your prayer for help, are you willing to trust God enough to do what God asks you to do, even if it goes against your logic?

16 | Wed – Don't underestimate your God | Read [2 Kings 19:9-19](#) and [35-37](#)

Do you have competing thoughts in your head when wrestling with a serious problem? Some of those thoughts might resemble the message the Assyrian king Sennacherib sent ahead as he was marching to conquer God's people (v. 10-13) but read king Hezekiah's response as he spread the letter out in God's presence. His prayer is a wonderful example of acknowledging the facts but also recognizing God's power. See the results of his prayer in verses 35-37. Are you able to challenge the thoughts coming into your mind which diminish God's ability?

17 | Thu – You want me to do what?! | Read [Joshua 1:1-6](#) and [6:1-5, 20](#)

Breakthrough prayers are focused on a specific problem or issue. What is that thing in front of you? Joshua was committed to obeying God's instructions but there were two major obstacles in his path...crossing a river at flood stage and a city surrounded by impenetrable walls. Yet it was God's presence that went before them, doing miracles on their behalf because they trust Him and stepped out in faith. What is God asking you to do in your current situation?

18 | Fri – Stronger together | Read [Matthew 18:19-20](#) / [Acts 12:1-17](#)

When you need a breakthrough, there is power in praying together with your brothers and sisters in the Lord. The early Christians prayed for each other but in this instance, even they were amazed by the way God chose to answer their request for Peter. Who are the people in your life that pray for you as you pray for them? Do you feel stronger when you know that someone is praying for you? How do you feel when your prayers for others are answered?

19 | Sat – While you wait | Read [Psalm 3:1-8](#) (especially verse 4)

These words were written by David, hiding from his son Absalom who was trying to usurp the throne. There is nothing that cuts to the heart more deeply than having someone you love turn against you. Even in this difficult time, David's eyes were on the Lord. He was confident that the Lord would hear and answer him. Are you still waiting for the breakthrough you need? Will you show trust by praising God for the answer that is on the way?