

PRAYER 4 ALL

Preparation

Save us, Lord, from being self-centered in our prayers, and teach us to remember to pray for others. May we be so caught up in love for those for whom we pray, that we may feel their needs as keenly as our own, and pray for them with imagination, sensitivity and knowledge. We ask this in Christ's Name. Amen. [John Calvin]

Scripture Reading

Following the daily lectionary readings for the day

Praying UP-IN-OUT

Take a moment of quiet then pray for each of these areas:

- UP: Your relationship with God.
- IN: The worldwide Church, and your relationship with other Christians
- OUT: For the world and those who that do not yet know Jesus.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Conclusion

O Lord, you have given us your Word as a light to shine on our path; grant that we may so meditate on that Word, and follow its teaching, that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. [Jerome]

Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel. [Luke 2:29-32]

