



EAR2HEAR

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**OFFICIAL
PRAYER GUIDE - week 3**

DAY 14 - “FEAR OF INTIMACY”

Intimacy is an important part of our existence – whether we relate to God in heaven or whether we relate to other people. There are various levels of intimacy for various purposes. Intimacy is the basis of all relationships. Someone once said intimacy should be seen as “into-me-I-see”. High levels of intimacy are required for spouses. Appropriate, high levels of intimacy are beneficial between lawyers and clients, doctors and patients, teachers and pupils. Intimacy and relationships can be very frightening for some people. People who fear intimacy are usually those who have had their trust broken. The betrayal is for some, very difficult and painful to overcome. Those who are licking their wounds are often closed to further intimate relationships. To overcome our fear of intimacy, we need healing from past disappointments. **“So above all, guard the affections of your heart, for they affect all that you are. Pay attention to the welfare of your innermost being, for from there flows the wellspring of life.”** Proverbs 4:23. Please understand – Love must be given to everyone: family, friends and enemies. BUT **trust** is to be earned. You need to forgive, but it is essential to test the loyalties of those who have broken faith with you before you give your trust to them. Trust is a gift, and your heart is precious – share it with others wisely!

Jesus gives His children a good example regarding intimacy.

Before His death, our precious Jesus was denied by His beloved follower. **Three** times Peter the Apostle denied Him (Matthew 26 & John 16). After the resurrection of Jesus, the Lord reconciled Peter to Himself – but He questions Peter's loyalty by asking Peter **three** times – “Do you love ME?” (Read John 21:1-20) If Jesus was wary of Peter, we can also be wary when people break our trust. Peter had to earn the trust of Jesus.

The Holy Spirit can comfort our hearts supernaturally.

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you navigate relationships better. Ask Him to help you listen to Him so He can show you who you can trust! Ask Him to heal you of your fear of intimacy.

The Bible helps us understand trust & relationships. Read: [Psalm 40:4](#); [Jeremiah 17:5](#); [Ephesians 4:15](#); [1 Timothy 1:19](#)

PRAYER REQUEST – EAR2HEAR & TECHNOLOGY

Dear Heavenly Father, We ask you to help us employ new technology for the benefit of the Gospel of the Kingdom.

Give us wisdom, help and resources to reach many countries and their people effectively. Give us the resources we need in languages and provide for us the labourers who will help us. Give us favourable distribution channels. In Jesus name, Amen.



DAY 15 - “FEAR OF SICKNESS”

Our health is something that should be guarded and taken seriously. We are not only stewards of our resources but we are also stewards of our bodies as well. 1 Corinthians 6: 19 - 20 NLT tells us **“Don’t you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honour God with your body”**. While some do not take this mandate seriously. Others also become extreme health fanatics. Sickness is traumatic and, understandably, people develop a deep-seated fear of sickness. The fear ends causes them to spend most of their resources seeking out medical or traditional techniques that supposedly increase good health and long life. Others spend their lives all day in the gym (Paul the Apostle has something to say about that in 1 Timothy 4:8 AMP). Illness is not pleasant BUT sometimes we get sick, and it is often unavoidable. When we ask God to heal us, the healing can be instantaneous. Other times the Lord allows us to heal over time with rest. Health is a gift from God but we all need to come to a place

Confronting sickness is confronting our mortality. Paul the Apostle said: **“For to me, to live is Christ [He is my source of joy, my reason to live] and to die is gain [for I will be with Him in eternity]”** Philippians 1:21 AMP.

Jesus gives His children hope in their struggles with health.

“You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him” Acts 10:38. God is with His Son. And in the name of Jesus, we can ask the Father to heal us. Isaiah 53:5b NLT says **“He (Jesus) was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed”**.

Jesus went through awful suffering for us. He was our substitute delivering us from our torment by taking our sin and suffering upon himself.

The Holy Spirit can comfort our hearts supernaturally.

Ask the Holy Spirit to heal you of your fear of sickness. Ask the Holy Spirit to equip you with a gift of healing. So you can heal others through the power of God.

The Bible reminds us that Jesus is our healer. He still heals today if we ask. Read: Matthew 4:24; Matthew 12:15; Matthew 14:14; Matthew 14:36; Matthew 15:30; Matthew 21:14; Mark 1:34; Mark 3:10; Mark 6:56; Luke 9:11; Matthew 19:2; Luke 6:18; John 6:2; 1 Peter 2:24.

PRAYER REQUEST – MISSION: ASIA 2000

Dear Heavenly Father, We pray for the transition period this organization is going through after the loss of 2 key leaders.

We ask please do a miracle. In Jesus name, Amen.



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DAY 16 - “FEAR OF BEING WRONG”

Very few people feel comfortable admitting that they are wrong about a choice they have made! Sometimes pride has a very strong influence on us. Our fear is not just about being wrong – but rather that our pride is hurt. The Spirit of Fear takes advantage of us by using our pride against us.

“Lift yourself up with pride and you will soon be brought low, but a meek and humble spirit will add to your honour.” Proverbs 29:23 TPT

Learning to apologise to God and people is an important step for us when we make wrong choices. With God, when we repent He gives us His grace and forgiveness. Many times, when we apologise people are very gracious too and are willing to forgive. When you do not obtain forgiveness then you did what you could.

Being wrong may require restitution. Sometimes our fear of being wrong and making amends comes from our concern that we will not be able to give restitution if (especially people) have suffered damages. God has a way of providing and helping us in the biggest dilemma’s. Do the right thing and make amends with those you have offended. And if there is restitution to be made, trust God to help you find a way to make it. Many times we are given grace in how we bring restoration to others.

Jesus gives honours to those who admit to being wrong.

There are various examples in the new testament where men and women admitted to their shortcomings. Jesus commended these people and honoured them with forgiveness... one of the finest examples is the criminal who hung on the cross next to Jesus. He admitted that He deserved his criminal sentence but Jesus was innocent. He asked forgiveness from our Lord and Jesus honoured Him with the promise of paradise (See Luke 23:39-43).

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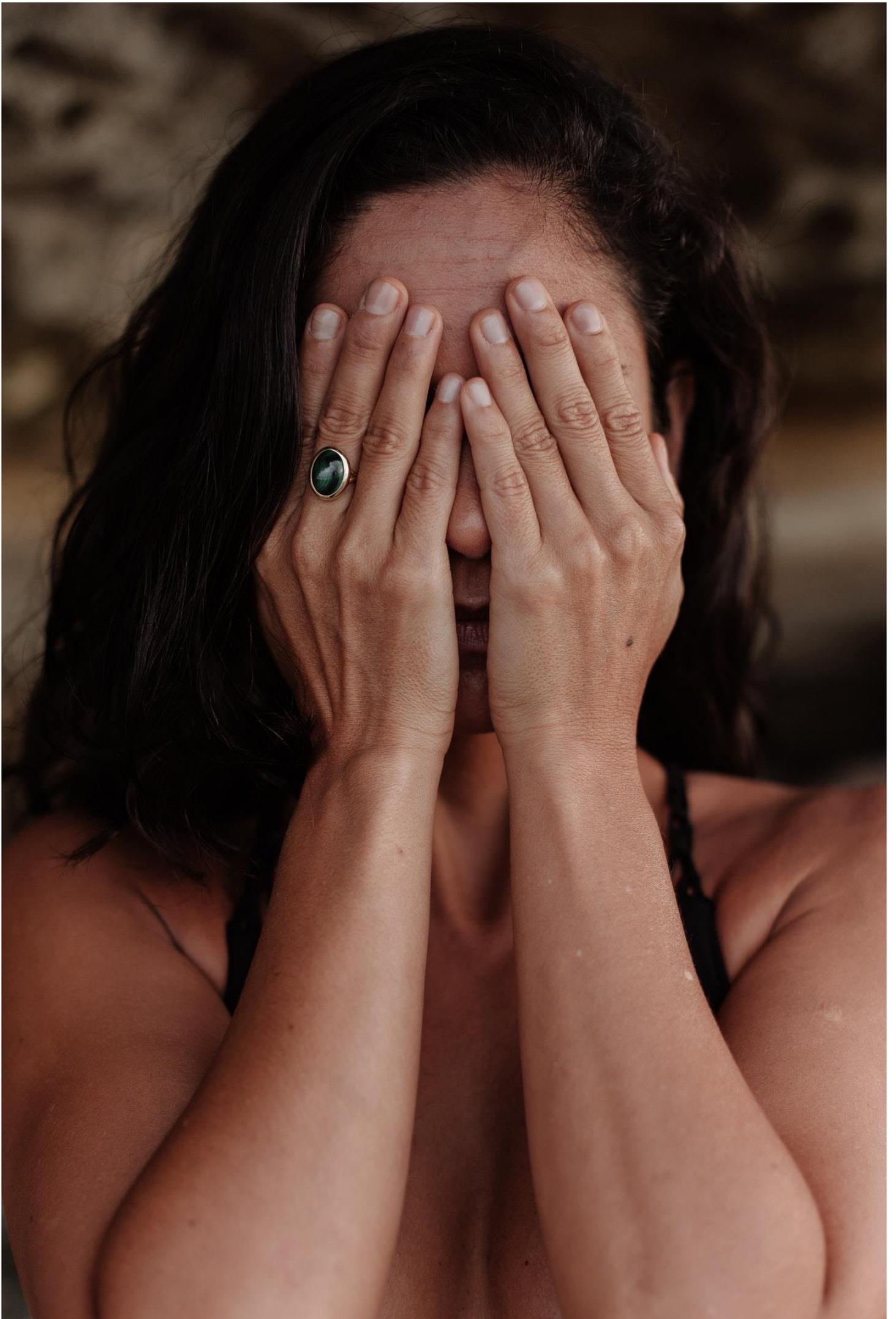
The Holy Spirit convicts of sin, right-doing and judgement. Ask Him to show you where in your life you may need to admit to wrong-doing. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you do the right thing by making amends with those you have hurt.

The Bible reminds us forgiveness is universal and essential.

Read: [Luke 18:9-14](#); [Mark 9:19-24](#); [Luke 15:11-24 NLT](#).

PRAYER REQUEST – EAR2HEAR PRAYER NETWORK

Dear Heavenly Father, we thank you for the years of support that faithful prayer warriors have committed to your Kingdom. Many have brought their prayers as incense to you and you have heard them and gave your help. Please help us by sending us labourers for the harvest – we need this prayer network to grow. In Jesus name, Amen.



DAY 17 - “FEAR OF AUTHORITY”

Authority is part of God’s order for His Kingdom. All authority on earth extends from God’s order. From childhood, it is instilled in most that our parents, school principals, teachers and various servicemen have important roles as authoritative figures. Growing up we learn the importance of kings & presidents their authority must be good, fair, just and merciful. When authorities fail to be ideal in goodness, fairness and justice they shake the world.

If parents or teachers are abusive or if protective authorities like doctors or police fail us, then fear for authority may arise. War-torn countries or countries where oppressive regimes operate may find that their citizens fear authority. The Spirit of Fear knows that stability is important to us. The Spirit of Fear uses failed authority to stir fear within for authority. Is it surprising that fear of authority has stirred rebellion among people of all ages in many nations? While no one wants to give oppressive authority space in our world. Too often Christians have risen up in rebellion to “sort the authorities out”. We have to be careful and we have to be led by the Holy Spirit. Many times rebellions against authority have turned into evil movements and coups... which can be far more wicked! Our job as believers is to be salt and light in the world for Jesus Christ. God is the judge of those who is in authority.

Jesus gives tells us His position authority and rebellion.
“The royal power of my kingdom realm doesn’t come from this world. If it did, then my followers would be fighting to the end to defend me from the Jewish leaders. My kingdom realm authority is not from this realm.” John 18:36 TPT. This is the present attitude Jesus has toward this world. One we should observe as His followers. After his resurrection, Jesus was given all authority in heaven and on earth (Matthew 28:18). There is coming a time where He will finalise the eternal Kingdom here on earth (Revelation 2:27 / Psalm 2:9).

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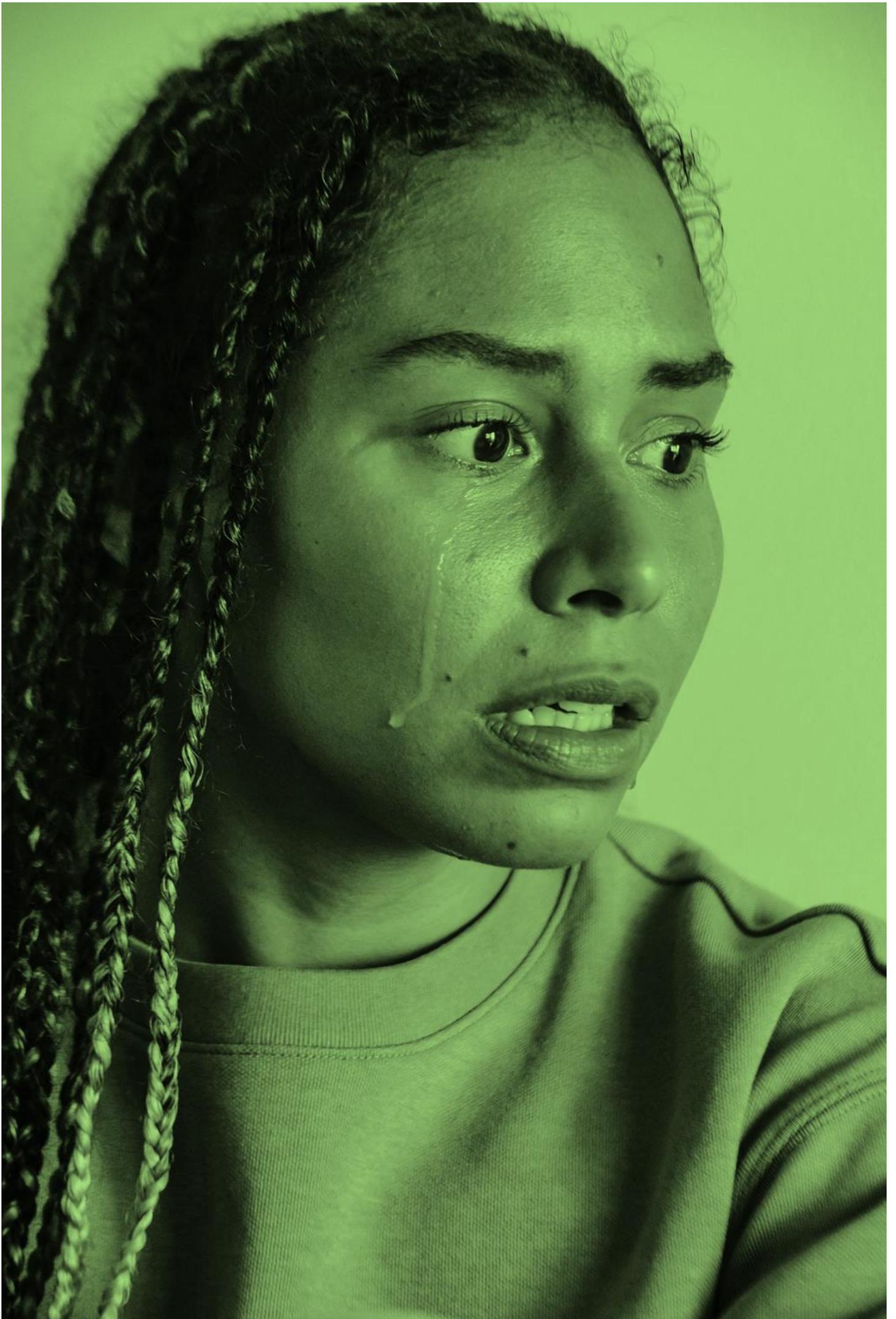
Ask the Holy Spirit for healing and comfort where authorities have failed you. Ask the Holy Spirit to teach you to pray for those in Authority instead of rebelling.

The Bible reminds us to pray for those with authority.

Read: Romans 13:1; 1 Timothy 2:1–4; Colossians 1:16–17;

PRAYER REQUEST – THOBELA KU JESUS

Dear Heavenly Father, We pray for this amazing organization that works among the Elderly. Keep their members safe from COVID. Thank you for sparing Ps Elijah Nxumalo & healing him from COVID. Please provide for all their needs as they do your work. In Jesus name, Amen



DAY 18 - “FEAR OF FREEDOM”

Animals that live in zoos or captivity eventually lose their wild spirit after many years. Sometimes if you look into the eyes of a capture gorilla or lion, the spark that once filled those eyes often fades away. Years later, as zoos and other institutions close, they try to release the animals into the wild, but mostly fail. Sometimes the animal refuses to leave the cage for fear of its freedom. Long-term prisoners experience the same condition. They have been in prison for so long that they struggle to adjust to society – so they commit a crime just so they can return to what they know, or they commit suicide rather than face the freedom they have earned. The Spirit of Fear can have a strong influence over peoples lives, sometimes long after they have been freed from their oppressors. In Isaiah 61:1b NLT we read how God’s Spirit came to set men and women free from cages. “...He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners...” God’s desire for all His people – is for us to live in the freedom that His presence offers. Sometimes people are so used to being broken, hurt and misused that when freedom finds them, they cling to brokenness for fear of change. Sometimes we need to ask God’s help and help from trustworthy people to stand by us as we choose to walk in the fullness of our freedom.

Jesus gives us an amazing promise concerning the fullness of our freedom. Jesus said, “**...if the Son sets you free, you are truly free**”. If you try on your own to escape the cage that kept you trapped for so long, then you will undoubtedly fail. With Jesus, we have the power to confidently walk away from all that kept us, as prisoners. We do not have to fear our freedom. Jesus wants us to embrace it.

The Holy Spirit can comfort our hearts supernaturally. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you launch into the freedom of God. Where God’s Spirit is there is freedom and fullness of joy.

The Bible reminds us to pray for those with authority.
Read: Galatians 5:1; 2 Corinthians 3:17; Psalm 119:45;

PRAYER REQUEST – Kingdom Builders Global

Dear Heavenly Father,

We pray for the amazing charity work being done in India by Louise Ambati and the team. Please open doors for them to reach many with your love and generosity. In this time where hardship and suffering have become a challenge for the poor, give this organization your favour. Provide for them and open doors for them.

In Jesus name, Amen.



DAY 19 - "FEAR OF LOSING SALVATION"

An uncommon number of Christians get preoccupied with losing their salvation. Yes, the Bible teaches very clearly that losing your salvation is possible. Judas lost his salvation. Ananias and Saphira lost their salvation. King Saul lost his salvation. Most believers are not Judas or Ananias and Saphira. Most people are doing their best to love and serve the Lord. The Spirit of Fear will try and place a wedge between us and God. He places doubts and fears in our hearts while we are not looking. When we fear, perfect love cannot fully manifest itself. We can become hard toward King Jesus our first love if we believe the lie that we are in danger of dying spiritually. The danger of losing your salvation comes from leaving your first love! If we neglect our relationship with the Lord we will neglect the benefits that flow from that relationship. In the book of Hebrews, we are told **"what makes us think we can escape if we ignore this great salvation that was first announced by the Lord Jesus himself and then delivered to us by those who heard him speak?" Hebrews 2:3 NLT.** The lesson is quite clear do not neglect or ignore what God has given so freely and so lovingly. Andrew Murray says **"The condition for obtaining God's full blessing is absolute surrender to Him."** To enjoy the full benefits of salvation allow the Lord to work together on your relationship with Him. Daniel W. Whittle

starts the chorus of His famous hymn **“Moment by moment I’m kept in His love; Moment by moment I’ve life from above.”** Truly we are kept moment by moment by the Lord. Do not allow the Spirit of Fear to rob you of the joy of your salvation.

Jesus reminds us of His commitment to us.

John 15:5-8NLT says: **“ I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing... (Read the full scripture) ...When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples. This brings great glory to my Father.”**

The Holy Spirit can comfort our hearts supernaturally.

The Holy Spirit as an important job convinces us of sin right-doing and judgement. This helps us, if we listen, to keep the relationship with God on track. Ask the Holy Spirit to show you where you fall short in your relationship with God.

The Bible reminds us about our salvation Read: [Philippians 2:12](#); [Psalm 51:10-11](#); [Matthew 7:21-23](#); [Ezekiel 18:24-26](#);

PRAYER REQUEST – EAR2HEAR HOME CHURCH NETWORK

Dear Heavenly Father, help us to grow and strengthen home Churches across the nation and the world. Thank you to the spiritual families across the world looking for more authentic expressions of worship. In Jesus name, Amen.



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