

Day Nine – Unlimited Power

Suggested Format for United Prayer

“For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen” (Matthew 6:13).

Praise

- The Lord Almighty reigns! Praise Him with the prophet Daniel: *“Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, for wisdom and might are His. And He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding. He reveals deep and secret things; He knows what is in the darkness and light dwells with Him”* (Daniel 2:20-22).
- Open your Bible to the Psalms and use them to praise God as our mighty, victorious King.
- Praise God for the specific ways He is working in answer to prayer this week.

Confession

- Jesus is coming soon! Have you lived in a way that shows the world you are preparing for His soon return? Repent as God leads you and claim His forgiveness.
- Corporately repent of Adventism’s lack of zeal for God’s glory and for people’s salvation.
- Ask the Lord to forgive us for not unleashing His great power through praying for His vision for all our life and work for Him, and for too often seeking to run things in our own strength with little vision.

Supplication and Intercession

- Plead for the infilling of the Holy Spirit to enable us to witness as Jesus did. Pray through the description of Jesus’ ministry in Luke 4:18, 19, pleading that His ministry will be our ministry too.
- Pray for God to provide the power for the gospel to go to all the world in this generation. Claim Christ’s words in the Great Commission in Matthew 28:18-20.
- Pray for the evangelism and outreach efforts of your local church and for those going on around the world, to yield a great harvest of people saved for heaven.
- MTTC: For many to be reached through the thousands of preparation and outreach events happening now in and around the cities and yet to happen in coming years. For all members, leaders, and evangelistic workers to be empowered by the Spirit.
- Pray for Jesus to orchestrate church and world events to hasten His coming.
- Join another person or two to intercede for the five on your heart and the five people on one of the intercession cards from the box. Use Ephesians 1:15-21 to guide your prayers.
- Pray for other requests that may be on your heart.

Thanksgiving

- *“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen”* (Ephesians 3:20, 21).
- Thank God from your heart for the many blessings He has given this week.

Suggested Songs to Sing

“Come, Holy Spirit”; “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” (SDAH #88); “Immortal, Invisible” (SDAH #21); “The Lord in Zion Reigneth” (SDAH #7); “Lead On, O King Eternal (SDAH #619) “Jesus Is Coming Again” (SDAH #213).

Ellen White on the Lord's Prayer

***"Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory."*—Matthew 6:13.**

The last, like the first sentence of the Lord's Prayer, points to our Father as above all power and authority and every name that is named. The Saviour beheld the years that stretched out before His disciples, not, as they had dreamed, lying in the sunshine of worldly prosperity and honor, but dark with the tempests of human hatred and satanic wrath. Amid national strife and ruin, the steps of the disciples would be beset with perils, and often their hearts would be oppressed by fear. They were to see Jerusalem a desolation, the temple swept away, its worship forever ended, and Israel scattered to all lands, like wrecks on a desert shore. Jesus said, "Ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars." "Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows." Matthew 24:6-8. Yet Christ's followers were not to fear that their hope was lost or that God had forsaken the earth. The power and the glory belong unto Him whose great purposes would still move on unthwarted toward their consummation. In the prayer that breathes their daily wants, the disciples of Christ were directed to look above all the power and dominion of evil, unto the Lord their God, whose kingdom ruleth over all and who is their Father and everlasting Friend.

The ruin of Jerusalem was a symbol of the final ruin that shall overwhelm the world. The prophecies that received a partial fulfillment in the overthrow of Jerusalem have a more direct application to the last days. We are now standing on the threshold of great and solemn events. A crisis is before us, such as the world has never witnessed. And sweetly to us, as to the first disciples, comes the assurance that God's kingdom ruleth over all. The program of coming events is in the hands of our Maker. The Majesty of heaven has the destiny of nations, as well as the concerns of His church, in His own charge. The divine Instructor is saying to every agent in the accomplishment of His plans, as He said to Cyrus, "I girded thee, though thou hast not known Me." Isaiah 45:5.

In the vision of the prophet Ezekiel there was the appearance of a hand beneath the wings of the cherubim. This is to teach His servants that it is divine power which gives them success. Those whom God employs as His messengers are not to feel that His work is dependent upon them. Finite beings are not left to carry this burden of responsibility. He who slumbers not, who is continually at work for the accomplishment of His designs, will carry forward His own work. He will thwart the purposes of wicked men, and will bring to confusion the counsels of those who plot mischief against His people. He who is the King, the Lord of hosts, sitteth between the cherubim, and amid the strife and tumult of nations He guards His children still. He who ruleth in the heavens is our Saviour. He measures every trial, He watches the furnace fire that must test every soul. When the strongholds of kings shall be overthrown, when the arrows of wrath shall strike through the hearts of His enemies, His people will be safe in His hands.

"Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine.... In Thine hand is power and might; and in Thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all." 1 Chronicles 29:11, 12.

~ Thoughts From the Mount of Blessing, pages 120-122.