

“GOD IS OUR GUIDE” DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

Our prayer this week focuses on God Who is our *Guide*. He is the One Who shows the way by leading, directing and advising us as we walk this life with Him.

It comes from our Prayer Verse: Psalm 25:8-9 "Good and upright is the Lord; therefore, He instructs sinners in His ways. He *guides* the humble in what is right and teaches them His ways."

Our encouragement from these verses is that God is our perfect *Guide*, good and upright, and *desires* to instruct sinners (that is all of us) in His ways so we may know the power of His saving love. He does this so we may walk this life free from the consequences of our sinful choices and empowered by His wise instructions. Many times we walk this path of life looking for wise *guidance* (instructions) on how to handle relationships, family decisions, work, illnesses or whatever we may be facing. When those times come, we know that we don't need just any *guide*, we know we need the perfect *Guide*, the One with perfect wisdom and understanding of our every situation. God is that perfect, good and upright *Guide* we need. We know He is the One we can *fully trust* because His leading, directing and advising are perfect for each of our situations for He individually created our lives and the pathway we need to be on. Whatever may lie before us, He *willingly* gives us His wisdom and *guidance* even when the world all around us is screaming lies to try to confuse us and turn us away from Him. His wisdom and understanding reaches deep into our hearts and shares what we really need for that very situation. He lovingly and willingly helps us face them with Him, never leaving us alone, but *guiding* us in the right way that will bless us in the end. We can pray that we and those we love will be humble and recognize His calling and leading, allowing Him to do it in His timing and trusting in His wisdom as we wait. We can pray that we will lay down our own principles and logic in those times and submit under His divine wisdom so we may be empowered by His Holy Spirit and be *guided* by Him through those times. We can pray that we will hear His truths and principles and allow them to *guide* us in our lives and relationships so we may live out His plan for us with hope, love, joy, and peace. We can trust that when we approach God this way, He will wrap His loving arms around us and give us the *guidance* we need in His perfect timing that can only come from a loving Father Who has a perfect plan for each one of us. Let us pray...

"Dear Heavenly Father, we humbly bow before Your throne in our hearts and praise You for being our "*Guide*". Please help me and...

(names of those you are praying for)

understand that You are good and upright, and that You instruct sinners in Your ways. That You will *guide* the humble in what is right and teach them Your ways. May we recognize our need for You and humble our hearts before your mighty throne. May our hope be in You all day long. Thank-you for loving us with an everlasting love and may it all be for the glory of Your name. In Your loving Son's name, Jesus, we pray, Amen."