

## 21-DAY FAST AND PRAY

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Tonight's prayer sheet is a throw-back to one that we did a couple of years ago. I came across it and thought it was perfect for tonight prayer.

Henry T. Blackaby asked:

*"Will God ever ask you to do something you are not able to do?"*

*"The answer is 'yes--all the time!'*

*It must be that way, for God's glory and kingdom. If we function according to our ability alone, we get the glory; if we function according to the power of the Spirit within us, God gets the glory. He wants to reveal Himself to a watching world."*

**Be certain of this: God is asking us as a church to do something we as individuals are not able to do in ourselves.** It will require the full power of the Holy Spirit operating through each of us, anything less and failure is sure, but as Blackaby said. *God "wants to reveal Himself to a watching world."*

*For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. (Ephesians 6:12 NKJV)*

The pursuit of this kind of power is not found in pride or self-exaltation. The hunger for power with God is the pursuit of ceaseless warfare – first within our own selves. The greatest power in the world among human beings is the power not to sin and the power to love.

TONIGHT, CONSIDER ALLOWING THESE REQUESTS TO GUIDE YOU AS YOU PRAY THIS EVENING:

1. **Lord, make me so mighty in wisdom** that I know and taste that the height of might in childlikeness.  
*"Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 18:4 NKJV)*
2. **Lord, make me so mighty in war** that I defeat every impulse in my soul that destroys peace.  
*"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. (Matthew 5:9 NKJV)*

3. **Lord, make me so mighty in hardness** against bitterness that tenderness of heart is not destroyed by wounds.  
*“And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.” (Ephesians 4:32 NKJV)*
4. **Lord, make me so mightily unbending** and inflexible in my Christ-exalting resolve to bend and become all things to all people that I might save some.  
*“... to the weak I became as weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.” (I Corinthians 9:22 NKJV)*
5. **Lord, make my trunk and branches so mightily tough** and impervious to wind and drought that I never cease to bear the fruit of gentleness.  
*“...rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.” (I Peter 3:4 NKJV)*
6. **Lord, make me so mighty in serpentine discernment** that I see every opening for dove-like love.  
*“Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves.” (Matthew 10:16 NKJV)*
7. **Lord, make me so mightily unmoved** by the sting and deceits of injustice against me that I may feel and show the miracle of undeserved compassion.  
*“Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous;” (I Peter 3:8 NKJV)*
8. **Lord, make me so mightily unyielding** to the enticements of selfishness that from my heart kindness forever flows.  
*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,” (Galatians 5:22 NKJV)*
9. **Lord, make me so mightily unresponsive** to the honeyed lure of self-pity that I may have ever-replenished resources to return good for evil.  
*“See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all.” (I Thessalonians 5:15 NKJV)*
10. **Lord, make me mighty with ruthless courage** to cut off my hand at every trace of greed that I may be content with what I have.  
*“Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have.” (Hebrews 13:5a NKJV)*

**11. Lord, make me mighty with happy thoughts** of child and wife and King to tear out my eye lest I betray their trust and lose the purity that sees my God.

*“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.” (Matthew 5:8 NKJV)*

**12. Lord, make me so mighty against the powers of self-justification** that I never lose the humility to repent and weep for my sin (James 4:9; 5:16).

*Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. (James 15:16 NKJV)*

**13. Lord, make me so mighty in resisting** the bait of frenzied productivity that I never cease to enjoy prayer and your sweet presence.

(Psalm 23:2; Isaiah 46:10; Luke 10:42).

*He makes me to lie down in green pastures;*

*He leads me beside the still waters. (PSALM 23:2 NKJV)*

**14. Lord, make me so mighty against self-reliance** that I am never ashamed to trust your arm, like a child with his father, in every breaking wave.

(Psalm 37:3, 5; Proverbs 3:5; Galatians 2:20)

*Trust in the Lord, and do good; Dwell in the land, and feed on His faithfulness. Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass. (PSALM 37:3-5 NKJV)*

**15. Lord, make me so mighty in seeing and mighty in savoring** the promises of your sovereign grace that in all my sorrows I might never cease to sing your praise.

(Matthew 5:11-12; Acts 16:25; 2 Corinthians 6:10; 1 Peter 4:13).

*Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. (MATTHEW 5:11-12 NKJV)*