

Statistical Research on Prayers in the Bible

1. Abraham's intercessory prayer for Sodom. Gen. 18.16-33.
2. Cain prays for mercy. Gen. 4.13-15.
3. Abraham prays for a son. Gen. 15.1-5.
4. Abraham prays for a son, land, & the Covenant. Gen. 15.1-18.1.
5. The Covenant of Circumcision & Abraham prays for Ishmael. Gen. 17.1-26.
6. Abraham prays for Abimelech. Gen. 20.17.
7. Abraham's servant prays for success and guidance. Gen. 24.17-19
8. Prayer of Isaac for his barren wife. Gen. 25.21
9. Rebekah's prayer for understanding about her babies. Gen.25.22-25.
10. Jacob prays for deliverance from Esau. Gen. 32.9-12.
11. Jacob wrestles with God at Peniel. Gen. 32.24-30.
12. Israelites pray for deliverance from slavery. Ex. 2.23-25; 3.7
13. Moses prays for Pharaoh. Ex. 8.9-15.
14. Moses prays for good water. Ex. 15.22-25.
15. Moses' prayer for Israel in the wilderness. Ex. 32.9-14.
16. Moses' intercession for his people for their sin. Ex. 32.31-32
17. Moses' intercession for Miriam' healing. Num. 12.13.
18. Moses prays to know God's way, and know God. Ex. 33.12-13.
19. Moses prays for God's presence to go with them. Ex. 33.15-16.
20. Moses prays to see God's glory. Ex. 33.18.
21. Moses prays for manna and meat. Ex. 16.1-55
22. Moses prays for water for the people. Ex. 17.3-7.
23. Moses prays to see the promise land. Deut. 3.24-29
24. Moses prays for God not to destroy the Israelites for their stubbornness and rebellion. Deut. 9.26-29
25. Moses' 40 day prayer for Israel because of their sins. Deut. 9.18-20
26. Moses praying to God because he is overwhelmed with the complaints of the Israelites. Num. 11.4-17
27. Moses' prayer for a new leader. Num. 27.15-17
28. Joshua praying for why they were defeated in battle. Josh. 7.7-11.
29. Joshua praying for the sun and moon to stand still so they could defeat their enemies in battle. Josh. 10.12-15
30. Gideon's prayer for a sign. Judg. 6.36-40.

31. Manoah, the father of Samson prays for guidance.
Judg. 13.8-14
32. Sampson prays for water. Judg. 15.18-19
33. Samson prays for strength. Judg. 16.28-30
34. Hannah's Prayer for a child. 1 Sam. 1.10-12
35. Samuel prays for Israel's problem with their enemies.
1 Sam. 7.5-12
36. David's prayer to be forgiven for numbering the people.
2 Sam. 24.10
37. David prays for guidance about whether to attack a city or not.
2 Sam. 2.1
38. Job's prayer for his friends. Job 42.7-10
39. David's prayer of surrender to God's searching in him. Ps. 139
40. Prayer for the peace of Jerusalem Ps. 122.6
41. David prays for blessing for him and his descendents.
42. David prays for help with his enemies Ps. 40
43. David's cry for protection. Ps. 3
44. David's prayer for favor. Ps. 4
45. David's prayer for guidance on how to deal with his enemies.
Ps. 5
46. David's prayer for mercy. Ps. 6
47. David's prayer about persecution from the wicked. Ps. 7
48. David's prayer for trust in dealing with his enemies. Ps. 25
49. David's prays and fast for God's help. Ps. 35
50. David's plea for God's help. Ps. 13
51. Prayers for deliverance of sickness and enemies. Ps. 30
52. Prayers for deliverance of sickness and enemies. Ps. 41
53. Prayers for deliverance of sickness and enemies. Ps. 103
54. Prayers for protection and victory over enemies. Ps. 18
55. Prayers for protection and victory over enemies. Ps. 118
56. David's prayer for protection from Saul. Ps. 31
57. David's prayer for protection from Saul. Ps. 57
58. David's prayer for protection from Saul. Ps. 142
59. Prayer for forgiveness and trust in God. Ps. 32
60. Prayer for forgiveness. Ps. 103
61. Prayers for freedom from sickness and death. Ps. 30
62. Prayers for freedom from sickness and death. Ps. 39
63. Prayers for freedom from sickness and death. Ps. 40
64. Prayers for freedom from sickness and death. Ps. 41
65. Prayers for freedom from sickness and death. Ps. 116
66. David's prayer for Solomon to be able to build the temple.

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67. Solomon prays for God's blessing and presence to fill the temple. 1 Kings 8.23-61
68. Solomon's prayer for wisdom. I Kings 3.5-9
69. Solomon prayer for God to hear and forgive his people. 2 Chron. 6.1-7.4
70. Elijah's persistent prayer for God to send rain. 1 Kings 18.41-46.
71. Elijah's prayer for the widow's son. 1 Kings 17.20-22
72. Elijah's prayer of God's power at Mt. Carmel 1 Kings 18.36-39
73. Elijah's prayer for death. 1 Kings 19.4
74. Elisha prays for the widow's son. 2 Kings 17.20
75. Elisha prays for blindness for the enemies and sight for his servant. 2 Kings 6.15-18
76. Jehohahaz prays for victory over their enemies. 2 Kings 13.4-5
77. Hezekiah's Petitions for Deliverance from their enemies. 2 Kings 19.14-19
78. Hezekiah prays for health. 2 Kings 20.1-6.
79. The Reubenites pray for victory. 1 Chron. 5.18-22
80. Judah prays for victory in their troubles. 2 Chro. 13.13-15
81. Asa prays for help. 2 Chro. 14.11-12
82. Jehoshaphat cried out for help. 2 Chro. 18.31
83. Jehoshaphat and all Juda pray for protection. 2 Chro. 20.12-13, 27
84. Priests pray for blessing from God. 2 Chro. 30.27
85. Manasseh prays for deliverance. 2 Chro.33.12-13
86. Ezra prays for the sins of the people. Ezra 9.5-15
87. Job's prayers of frustration. Job 10.1-3, 18-19
88. Job's prayer of repentance to God. Job 42.1-6
89. Hezekiah prays for his deadly illness. Is. 38.1-4
90. Isaiah: a prayer about sin. Is. 6.1-13
91. Isaiah's prayer for peace. Is. 26.3-12, 20-21
92. Jeremiah prays for mercy against the sword, famine and plague. Jer. 14.7-14
93. Jeremiah prays for Judah. Jer. 42.1-12
94. Ezekiel prays for un-defilement. Ezek 4.12-17
95. Jonah prayed to God from inside the fish. Jonah 2.1
96. Sailors pray that God spare their lives. Jonah 1.14
97. Ninevah people pray and repent Jonah 3.5-9
98. Jonah prays to die. Jonah 4.1-4

99. Habakkuk's prays for justice. Hab. 1.1-7
100. Habakkuk prays for God's perspective on life. Hab. 3.1-19
101. Daniel prays for knowledge. Dan. 2.16-23
102. Daniel prayed on his knees for Israel Dan. 6.10
103. Daniel's prayer of confession for his people. Dan. 9.1-9
104. Nehemiah's prayer for success for Israel. Neh. 1.1-2.9
105. Israelites' prayer of confession. Neh. 9.5-38
106. Esther and the Nation of Israel pray for deliverance from their enemies. Esther 4-5.
107. Zacharias' prayer for a son. Luke 1.13
108. Jesus' prayer in desert and temptation. Matt. 4.1
109. The Lord's Prayer. Matt. 6.9-13 & Luke 11.2-4
110. Jesus praying before the crowds to His Father. John 12.27-28
111. Jesus prays to God about children. Matt. 11.25-26
112. The disciple's prayer to Jesus to save him from drowning. Matt. 14.28-31
113. Jesus prays for Lazarus to come out of the grave. John 11.41-42
114. Jesus' High Priestly Prayer. John 17
115. Pray believing you have received. Mark 11.24
116. Jesus' prayer of submission at Gethsemane. Luke 22.39-46
117. Jesus' prayer of forgiveness while on the cross. Luke 23.34,46
118. Prodigal son's prayer for forgiveness. Luke 15.17-19
119. Rich man's prayer for help in hell. Luke 16.22-31
120. Early Church praying for the Holy Spirit. Acts 1.4, 14
121. Apostle's prayer for who the next apostle should be. Acts. 1.24, 25
122. Apostles and Believer's prayer about enemies and boldness to do the works of Jesus. Acts. 4.24-31
123. Stephan – A prayer of martyrdom. Acts 7.54-60
124. Peter prays for the resurrection of Dorcas. Acts. 9.26
125. Disciples pray for the Holy Spirit to come upon the Samaritans. Acts 8.14-15
126. Early Church prays for Peter in prison. Acts 12.1-17
127. Paul's prayer at conversation. Acts. 9.6, 11
128. Cornelius and Peter's prayer for enlightenment. Acts. 10. 1-47.
129. Paul prays to come see the Romans 1.9-11
130. Paul and Silas prayed in prison. Acts 16.25
131. All were joined in prayer Acts. 1.14
132. Antioch elders pray for the missionaries. Acts 13.3
133. Paul prays for the Jews salvation

134. Paul prays for the Romans to be one and full of the peace and joy within.
135. Paul prays to God about the proclamation of the gospel.
Rom. 16.25-27
136. Paul prays about the comfort of God. 2 Cor. 1.3
137. Paul prays for deliverance of the thorn in his flesh.
2 Cor. 12.7-10
138. Paul prays for the Corinthians to do right not wrong.
139. The Corinthians and Paul pray for each others.
140. Paul prays for grace and peace for the Galatians
141. Paul prays God for blessing and adoption for the Ephesians.
Eph. 1.1-5
142. Paul prays for wisdom, knowledge, revelation and hope
Eph. 1.1-5.
143. Paul prays for the comprehension of Christ's love. Eph. 3.14-21
144. Pray all kinds of prayers for all kinds of occasions. Eph. 6.18
145. Paul prays for peace, love and grace. Eph.6.23-24
146. Paul prays that the Philippians have grace and peace and joy.
147. Paul prays for the Philippians to be filled with righteousness.
148. Paul prays for knowledge, wisdom and understanding for the Colossians. Col. 9.17
149. Paul prays that the Colossians will devote themselves to prayer. Col. 4.2-4
150. Epapphras prays for the Christians in Colossae. Col. 4.12
151. Paul and others pray for the work and labor of the Thessalonians. 1 Thess. 1.2-10
152. Paul prays that they walk in a manner worthy of the gospel.
1 Thess. 2.12
153. Paul and others pray that they may them and for their love to abound.
154. Paul prays for their sanctification. 1 Thess 5.23
155. James prays for several problems. James 5.13-18
156. Martyred souls pray for justice to be meted out. Rev. 6.10
157. Paul prays that the Lord will give them comfort and grace in their work. 2 Thess 2.16-17
158. Paul constantly prays for Timothy 1. 3, 7-8
159. Paul prays for grace and peace for Titus. Titus 1.4
160. Paul prays for Philemon to be active in sharing his faith. Phil.1.4
161. Jesus said pray for those persecute you. Matt. 5.44

Statistical Data

161 Prayers of Intercession or Petition

21% were for God's kingdom

34% were for Self or Personal

44% were for Others

161 Prayers of Intercession or Petition

98% had direct answers in the text

9 prayers were answered no

Result: 50 % answer rate