



Daily Prayers are posted at 8am daily on our Adventure of Faith Facebook & Instagram pages or use this calendar to pray through each day's prayer.

June 21 - July 31, 2021

### **6/21/21**

Genesis 7:4: "For in seven days I will send rain on the earth **forty** days and **forty** nights, and every living thing that I have made I will blot out from the face of the ground."

Father, as we prepare our hearts to look at your Scriptures and how you hyperlink connections throughout your Word, I pray that we'd spend the next 40 days focusing on you. In your Son's name, Amen."  
(A prayerful reflection for the 40 sermon series)

### **6/22/21**

Genesis 18:29: "Again he spoke to him and said, "Suppose **forty** are found there." He answered, "For the sake of **forty** I will not do it."

There are times when I look at the world, and I consider all that seems to be going wrong; it can feel like we're living in Sodom. Remind us that you have overcome the sin in this world, and you are in the process of making it new. May we look to you and do what you've placed in front of us, bringing your Kingdom here. Amen.

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### **6/23/21**

Genesis 25:20: "and Isaac was **forty** years old when he took Rebekah, the daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, the sister of Laban the Aramean, to be his wife."

Lord, we are impatient people. We pray for a week, a month, a year, and if it appears that our prayers aren't answered, we question whether or not you are there. Remind us of your faithfulness and help us to be patient, trusting that your timing is perfect. Amen.

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### **6/24/21**

Genesis 50:3: "**Forty** days were required for it, for that is how many are required for embalming. And the Egyptians wept for him seventy days."

Father, this past year has been a rough one. Many of us have experienced loss, and with all of the COVID issues, we have been unable to mourn in community. I pray for healing as we move toward being able to gather more and more. I pray for peace, and I pray for hope. Amen.

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### **6/25/21**

Exodus 16:35: "The people of Israel ate the manna **forty** years, till they came to a habitable land. They ate the manna till they came to the border of the land of Canaan."

Lord, you provide for us daily, and yet we often either get disgruntled about what it is you bring, or we get proud, thinking that we have earned it ourselves. Help us to appreciate the blessings you have provided and be humble in heart, recognizing it is you who have given them. Amen.

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**6/26/21**

Exodus 24:18: "Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain **forty** days and **forty** nights."

Father God, thank you for the mountaintop moments that we experience in community with you. May we not rush off of them, bemoan that we are not in them when we are in the valley, and help us not try to push others off of their mountain top experiences when they have them. In your name, Amen.

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**6/27/21**

Numbers 13:25: "At the end of **forty** days they returned from spying out the land."

Lord, at times the places you've called us to, the ministries you've called us to, can seem impossible. Frankly, they are without you. Help us to lean on you and to trust your faithfulness. Amen.

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**6/28/21**

Deuteronomy 8:4: "Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these **forty** years."

Lord, your provision for us is miraculous. Forgive us for thinking that we earn the things we need and the things we are blessed with in this world. You are the one who gives to us that we might be open-handed with others as we share what we've been given. Amen.

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**6/29/21**

Deuteronomy 25:3: "**Forty** stripes may be given him, but not more, lest, if one should go on to beat him with more stripes than these, your brother be degraded in your sight."

Father, thank you for being a Father who disciplines His children. It is not pleasant when we are being punished, but it does help us to increasingly transform into better reflections of you. Amen.

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**6/30/21**

Joshua 14:7: "I was **forty** years old when Moses the servant of the Lord sent me from Kadesh-barnea to spy out the land, and I brought him word again as it was in my heart."

Father, sometimes you speak through your people to guide us into doing what you call us to do. Moses showed Joshua God's plan for him, speaking for you. May we both be receptive to your guidance through others and be conduits through which you speak to others as well. Amen.

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**7/1/21**

Judges 3:11: "So the land had rest **forty** years. Then Othniel the son of Kenaz died."

Lord, a theme runs through the history of your people. Unfortunately, it is a theme of disobedience and defiance. I pray I might be obedient and devoted to you and you alone. Amen.

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**7/2/21**

Judges 5:31: "'So may all your enemies perish, O Lord! But your friends be like the sun as he rises in his might.' And the land had rest for **forty** years."

Lord, your enemies are our enemies. Unfortunately, we often mistake other people for our enemies when, in fact, it is sin, selfishness, pride, and the powers and principalities of this world that are Your enemies. We pray those things would perish in your Name. Amen.

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**7/3/21**

Judges 8:28: "So Midian was subdued before the people of Israel, and they raised their heads no more. And the land had rest **forty** years in the days of Gideon."

Father, Gideon is such an interesting figure in the Hebrew Scriptures. A hero that doesn't act all that heroic. Often, I can act much like Gideon. Forgive me, Father, and strengthen me to go where you call me. Amen.

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**7/4/21**

Judges 13:1: "And the people of Israel again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, so the Lord gave them into the hand of the Philistines for **forty** years."

Lord, the more I read the Scriptures, the more I realize that when you give us over, it is not that you abandon us, but that we abandon you. You give us over to that which we choose. Thank you for your faithfulness, even when we are faithless. Amen.

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**7/5/21**

1 Samuel 4:18: "As soon as he mentioned the ark of God, Eli fell over backward from his seat by the side of the gate, and his neck was broken and he died, for the man was old and heavy. He had judged Israel **forty** years."

Lord, when we think all is lost, we can desire to cease to be alive like Eli after finding out the ark had been taken. Remind us that even in the worst of situations, you are present and working in the midst of it all. In your name, amen.

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**7/6/21**

1 Samuel 17:16: "For **forty** days the Philistine came forward and took his stand, morning and evening."

Father, what was it like for the Israelites to be taunted day and night by this fearsome warrior? Did they have any hope? Did the odds seem insurmountable? What were they planning to do? Did they have faith that you would provide for them? Do we? Guide us, O Lord. Amen.

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**7/7/21**

2 Samuel 5:4: "David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned **forty** years."

Lord, there are seasons for all things. When we are in a season of celebration, let us celebrate. When we are in a season of remorse, let us be remorseful. When we are in a season of work, let us work. When we are in a season of rest, may we rest in You. Amen.

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**7/8/21**

1 Kings 6:17: "The house, that is, the nave in front of the inner sanctuary, was **forty** cubits long."

Lord, as we read these Scriptures about the building of the Tabernacle and the Temple, we can get bored with the repetition, with the detail given. Remind us, however, of your holiness and your desire to move heaven and earth to be with us, to live in our midst. Ultimately, giving your own Son that you may live within our hearts. Amen.

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**7/9/21**

1 Kings 7:38: "And he made ten basins of bronze. Each basin held **forty** baths, each basin measured four cubits, and there was a basin for each of the ten stands."

Father, the house that Solomon built for himself was reminiscent of the house he built for you. We are all guilty of caring for ourselves instead of giving all we have to you. Change our hearts to focus on you and not our own comfort. In your name, amen.

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**7/10/21**

1 Kings 11:42: "And the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel was **forty** years."

Father, wisdom is fear of you. May we focus our eyes on you, to be reverent and yet drawn close to you. Transform our minds, our hearts, and may we be people that reflect you and your wisdom, O Lord. Amen.

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**7/11/21**

2 Kings 12:1: "In the seventh year of Jehu, Jehoash began to reign, and he reigned **forty** years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Zibiah of Beersheba."

Lord, just like Jehoash, who had to deal with the sins of his father, we too have consequences in our families from our ancestors. May we not use this as an excuse, but as an opportunity to say that divorce, abuse, and sinfulness ends with our generation and may we pass down to our children a legacy devoted to you. Amen.

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### **7/12/21**

1 Chronicles 29:27: "The time that he reigned over Israel was **forty** years. He reigned seven years in Hebron and thirty-three years in Jerusalem."

Lord, David was a man after your own heart. That is what I desire to be. While I may not be perfect, I do desire to live a life that loves what you love, who serves as you would serve, who gives as you would give. Amen.

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### **7/13/21**

Nehemiah 5:15: "The former governors who were before me laid heavy burdens on the people and took from them for their daily ration **forty** shekels of silver. Even their servants lorded it over the people. But I did not do so, because of the fear of God."

Lord, those in power over others have a special responsibility to treat them as fellow children of God. It isn't easy in a consumeristic society, yet, your Word clarifies that leaders and managers are to be Godly leaders, living out their callings as followers of Jesus both at work and home. Amen.

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### **7/14/21**

Nehemiah 9:21: "**Forty** years you sustained them in the wilderness, and they lacked nothing. Their clothes did not wear out and their feet did not swell."

Lord, when we look at our own lives and see where you have been faithful, we realize that we can take heart that you will continue to be faithful. Remind us of who you are when we begin to doubt. Amen.

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### **7/15/21**

Psalms 95:10: "For **forty** years I loathed that generation and said, 'They are a people who go astray in their heart, and they have not known my ways.'"

Lord, your love for us knows no bounds! You forgive us; you give us mercy and grace! Your patience with us is everlasting! Thank you, Father, for being a King who loves His people. Amen.

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### **7/16/21**

Ezekiel 29:11-13: "No foot of man shall pass through it, and no foot of beast shall pass through it; it shall be uninhabited **forty** years. And I will make the land of Egypt a desolation in the midst of desolated countries, and her cities shall be a desolation **forty** years among cities that are laid waste. I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them through the countries. 'For thus says the Lord God: At the end of **forty** years I will gather the Egyptians from the peoples among whom they were scattered.'"

Lord, we need not seek justice. You bring justice. May we trust in your justice and embrace your mercy. Amen.

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### **7/17/21**

Ezekiel 46:22: "In the four corners of the court were small courts, **forty** cubits long and thirty broad; the four were of the same size."

Lord, how heartbreaking must it have been for Ezekiel to see your presence leave the Temple! How long those years before you walked among us again through your Son?! Lord, thank you for your Spirit which lives within us. Amen.

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### **7/18/21**

Amos 5:25: "Did you bring to me sacrifices and offerings during the **forty** years in the wilderness, O house of Israel?"

Lord, you need nothing from us. All you desire is our affection. You don't need us, but you desire us. What a blessing it is to be loved by you. Amen.

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### **7/19/21**

Jonah 3:4: "Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out 'Yet **forty** days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!'"

Lord, so often, we want justice and forget the mercy that you have extended to us. Help us to extend that which you've extended to us. Amen.

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### **7/20/21**

Matthew 4:2: "And after fasting **forty** days and **forty** nights, he was hungry."

Jesus, when you came to earth and walked the roads we walked, felt the things we felt, experienced the things we experienced, you humbled yourself for us, may we humble ourselves for you. Amen.

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### **7/21/21**

Mark 1:13: "And he was in the wilderness **forty** days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him."

Jesus, you undid that which we did. You were faithful where we were faithful. You chose obedience when we chose rebellion. Thank you, Savior, for undoing that which we did to your good world. Amen.

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### **7/22/21**

Luke 4:2: "For **forty** days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry."

King Jesus, it wasn't merely in your death that you overcame this world of sin. Every day of your life on earth, you were turning everything upside down and redeeming that which had been tainted with sin. Praise your name, amen.

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### **7/23/21**

Acts 1:3: "He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during **forty** days and speaking about the kingdom of God."

Resurrected Jesus, I can't imagine the heartbreak the apostles experienced when you went to be with the Father. You promised that you would return, and we await that return, expectantly doing the work you've called us to until you come again in glory. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

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### **7/24/21**

Acts 4:22: For the man on whom this sign of healing was performed was more than **forty** years old."

Lord, sometimes we don't understand why we have to struggle with the things we do for so long. We can feel like this man who was healed after 40 long years. Remind us that you are doing something and that your timing is perfect. Help us to rely completely on you. Amen.

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### **7/25/21**

Acts 7:23: "When he was **forty** years old, it came into his heart to visit his brothers, the children of Israel."

Lord, the story of Israel is our story. We have been grafted into the people of God and are chosen to be Your people, bringing Your Gospel to the world. May we take this high calling seriously. Amen.

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### **7/26/21**

Acts 13:21: "Then they asked for a king, and God gave them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, for **forty** years."

Lord, so often we don't even know what we want. We ask you for things that are silly in light of what you desire for us. We ask that you ignore our foolish prayers and hear the ones that align with your desires. Your Kingdom come... amen.

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### **7/27/21**

Acts 23:21: "But do not be persuaded by them, for more than **forty** of their men are lying in ambush for him, who have bound themselves by an oath neither to eat nor drink till they have killed him. And now they are ready, waiting for your consent."

Lord, what you want to happen cannot be thwarted. You will use those that oppose your mission to accomplish your mission. Nothing is outside your Kingship. Remind us of this when we get concerned with the state of the world. You are King. Amen.

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**7/28/21**

2 Corinthians 11:24: "Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the **forty** lashes less one."

Lord, when I think of the Apostle Paul, I think of a man carved out of stone. What he endured led him to be able to walk with increasing boldness in his witness. Use the tribulations I face to toughen me up for what is to come. Amen.

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**7/29/21**

Hebrews 3:9: "Where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for **forty** years."

Lord, often we see the forty years in the desert as a punishment for Israel's disobedience when you used that time to teach them about your provision and faithfulness. May we look at the deserts we face today as opportunities to be drawn closer to you. Amen.

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**7/30/21**

Hebrews 3:17: "And with whom was he provoked for **forty** years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness?"

Lord, so often we profess with our mouths that which we do not embrace with our lives. Help us to focus our eyes on you and not fall prey to the doubt that comes from the difficulties of this world. Draw us to you, O Lord. Amen.

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**7/31/21**

Leviticus 25:8: "You shall count seven weeks of years, seven times seven years, so that the time of the seven weeks of years shall give you **forty**-nine years."

Father, thank you for these past 40 days of prayer, looking at the number 40 and all its appearances throughout your Word. As we transition into focusing in on Sabbath for the month of August, may we rest in you. Amen.

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