

Praying For Our Beautiful City - Spokane

1. Prayers for The Church, The Body of Christ

Heavenly Father may You make Spokane a house of prayer and a “city set on a hill that cannot be hidden”. Bring forth salt and light into our community that preserves and safeguards us from evil and heralds the gospel of your kingdom to all who have ears to hear, thereby ushering in your end-time purposes. (Mat. 5:13-14)

Pray for:

- The Church to walk in the Spirit and bring glory to God by accomplishing all He has given us to do. (Jn. 17:4)
- Believers to receive divine revelation for this day. (Jn. 17:8)
- Pastors and church leaders to have wisdom, knowledge, discernment, unity, integrity, faithfulness, strength, and be led by the Holy Spirit. (Ex. 18:21, Jn. 17:9, Eph. 11:4-6, 1 Tim. 3:1-7, 1 Pet. 5:1-4, Ja. 1:5)
- Unity in the body of Christ: for denominational, theological, and ethnic walls to come down so that pastors will love each other, pray together, and serve each other. (Ps. 133:1, Jn. 17:20–23, Eph. 4:3–6, Rom. 15:5-6)
- Our love of God to triumph over our fleshly desires and judgments, for believers to be truly sanctified. (Jn. 17:17, Rom. 14:10-12, 2 Tim. 1:7, 1 Pet 5:7-9, 1 Jn. 2:16, 4:19-21)
- People’s hearts to be opened to repent of their sins and confess Jesus as Savior. (Mat. 9:37-38, 24:14; Rom. 10:1; 2 Pet. 3:9; Acts 26:18)
- God to heal our nation of racism and for the Church to stand against racial conflict, violence, and prejudice. (Acts 10:28, 34-35, Rom. 10:12-13, Gal. 3:28, Jn. 7:24, Ja. 2:9, 1 Jn. 2:9, Rev. 7:9)
- Life to be valued and protected through all stages of life, beginning at conception and for legalized abortion to come to an end. (Deut. 21:8-9, Ps. 139:13-16, Prov. 24:11, Jer. 1:5)
- Boldness among Christians to rise up and be a witness for Jesus. (Is. 60:1-2, Mat. 5:13-16, Eph. 6:19-20)
- For people who love Jesus to engage more effectively in their neighborhoods and to pray faithfully for those living around them. (Ps. 33:8, Is. 62:6, Ez. 3:17-19, Hab. 2:1, Mat. 26:40-41, Rom. 16:17)

2. Prayers for The City of Spokane

“You care for the land and water it; you enrich it abundantly. The streams of God are filled with water to provide the people with grain, for so you have ordained it. You drench its furrows and level its ridges; you soften it with showers and bless its crops. You crown the year with your bounty and your carts overflow with abundance.” (Ps. 65:9-11)

- God’s intention and desire is that our land prosper, so that we prosper, so that our community prospers. He desires this because He is a good Father who loves to bless His people!

Pray for the Seven Mountains/Spheres of Cultural Influence:

- **Arts, Entertainment, and Sports**
 - To reflect the glory and majesty of our Creator. May the church be instruments to celebrate His creativity. (Eccl. 2:24-25)
 - For this sphere to be communicators of truth, have personal inspirational testimonies, and display respect for others.
- **Business**
 - To be viewed as a place to worship God through the area of our calling and through our gifts, talents and resources to build Your Kingdom. (Deut. 8:18)
 - Business owners and business leaders to have honesty and integrity, be creators of economic blessing, and helpers and givers to the local community.
- **Church**
 - To acknowledge that God never gave man religion, but an opportunity for an intimate relationship with his Creator so that we may come to know His Presence and Power in each of our lives. (Mat. 16:24)
 - For every church to be biblically based, Christ-centered, Holy Spirit-empowered, and Great Commission-driven.

- **Education**
 - To reflect the truth about God and man so that the truth shall make us free. May we seek and promote the true meaning of life through education. (Prov. 7:4)
 - For every realm and level of education to highly value truth, expect excellence, and prepare students to win.
- **Family**
 - Since God’s design for the family predates our cultural attempt to redefine that sacred community, pray families will reflect God’s glory and for respect/appreciation for His design to be restored (Eph. 5:22, 25, 6:2-3).
 - For families to be bible believing and living, practicing forgiveness, and expressing love for one another.
- **Government**
 - By God creating government for man, He established freedoms and boundaries for us. May His lovingkindness and righteous judgments be reflected in and through our government. (Is. 9:6)
 - For local government officials serving our city: executive legislative, judicial, police, fire, and first responders.
 - May they have honesty and integrity, express love and respect for each other, value each other, and work together for the greater good of our city.
- **Health Care and Military**
 - Pray for everyone to be in good physical, mental, and spiritual health, according to God’s design. (Prov. 17:22, 1 Cor 6:19-20, 10:31, 1 Tim. 4:8)
 - For America to become a nation of people who recognize God as LORD. (Deut. 20:1-4, Ps. 23:4, 33:12-22, 144:1-2, Eccl. 3:8, Is. 41:10, Jos. 1:9, Jn. 15:13, Eph. 6:10-20)

We praise you, God; and may all the people praise you. Then our land will yield its harvest and you, Lord, will bless us. (Ps. 67:1-4)

3. Prayers for Protection, Safety, and Shalom

“Listen to my prayer, O God, do not ignore my plea; hear me and answer me. My thoughts trouble me and I am distraught because of what my enemy is saying, because of the threats of the wicked. Lord, confuse the wicked, confound their words, for I see violence and strife in the city. Destructive forces are at work in the city, threats and lies never leave its streets. But you, God, will bring down the wicked into the pit of decay, the bloodthirsty and deceitful will not live out half their days. But as for me, I trust in You.” (Ps. 55:1-3, 9, 11, 23)

- “Do not let evil people have their way.” (Ps. 140:8)
- “Let the wicked be caught in the evil they plan for others.” (Ps. 10:2)

“For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, but the Lord upholds the righteous.” (Ps. 37:17)

- Therefore Lord, cut off the source of their power and strength, their communication, their organizational connections, their financing, their intelligence, their resources and armaments. Bring their plans to naught in the mighty name of Jesus!
- Bring into the light the secret things done in darkness.

“He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of the heart.” (1 Cor. 4:5, Mat. 10:26)

- Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil and danger. Prevent evil from befalling your chosen, righteous and innocent ones. Rise up and defend the weak and powerless.

