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## **PSALM 40:4-8**

Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,  
who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done,  
the things you planned for us. None can compare with you;  
were I to speak and tell of your deeds, they would be too many to declare.

Sacrifice and offering you did not desire - but my ears you have opened -  
burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not require.

Then I said, "Here I am, I have come - it is written about me in the scroll.  
I desire to do your will, my God; your law is within my heart."

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Heavenly Father, we have given more weight to our successes and our happiness than to your will. We have eaten without a thought for the hungry, spoken without an effort to understand others and we have kept silent instead of telling the truth.

We have not cried out for justice nor cared about those who are without Christ and without hope in this world. God, we are thankful that your forgiving grace goes further than all our sin.

We ask that you would reform our hearts and renew our minds by your Holy Spirit, so that more and more we would love what you love, do what you command, turn from our sin and live to the glory of our Saviour.

These things we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Amen.



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Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory, for ever.

Amen.



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## **1 Peter 2:1-12**

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good. As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him — you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

For in Scripture it says: “See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.” Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” and,



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“A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the message—which is what they were destined for.

But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul. Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.