

7 Spiritual Warfare Prayers for Loved Ones Making Destructive Decisions

It's hard to watch those you love make self-destructive decisions. It's at least as difficult to keep yourself from intervening while trusting God to do what only He can do. While our hasty actions are well-meaning, they tend to only make things worse. On the other hand, history records countless testimonies of the power of prayerful patience.

To aid your prayer time, I've handcrafted seven strategic prayers based upon related Scriptures. These are each designed to be personalized with the name of your loved one. I encourage you to bookmark or print this page to help you contend for your loved one every day.

7 Personalized Prayers

"Father, _____ is walking in darkness with no interest in what's right. I ask You to bring them to trust in Your name and to rely only on You" (see Is. 50:10).

"Lord, Your Word assures that you created _____ with a plan for good works. But right now, they are running from that plan. Please remind _____ of their assignment and bring them back on the path of Your purpose" (see Eph. 2:10).

"God, _____ is in bondage to their flesh and cannot find the way out. I ask You to reveal their sin as exceedingly sinful, lead them to repentance and give them freedom from these struggles" (see Rom. 7:13).

"Father, your Word says You desire that all are saved and come to knowledge of the truth. I ask for this to become a reality for _____. Please reveal Yourself to them in a powerful

way that brings their salvation, deliverance and a desire for what's right" (see 1 Tim. 2:4).

"Lord, I am confident in Your promise that You finish the good work that you begin. And so I pray for _____ and the work you started in them. Remind _____ of Your call on their life; lead them to return to You to see it through" (See Phil.1:6).

"God, _____ is bombarded with wrong thoughts and unrighteous behaviors. I ask Your Holy Spirit to interrupt evil actions and cleanse their mind of wickedness with reminders of whatever is pure, true and right" (See Phil. 4:8).

"Father, _____ is surrounded with wrong relationships that are leading them astray. I ask You to bring these bad influences to an end. Please surround _____ with godly people who speak life into them and influence them to follow You" (See Prov. 13:20).

A Prayer for You

"Father, I admit that it's difficult to watch _____ make destructive decisions, and I so badly want to intervene. But Lord, I surrender my will to You and place my trust in You to open their eyes and bring them to truth in just the right timing. Help me to remain patient and encouraged while I wait for You to do what only You can do." {eo}

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