

The prayers and poems found in this book were written during EKKO Church's journey through the Ephesians series. The letter to the church in Ephesus invites us to discover and remember our identity in Christ, our calling as Christ-followers, and the mission and purpose of the Church. These prayers are meant for the purposes of reflection, remembrance, and prophetic proclamation. May you see yourself in Christ, May you be inspired to live in holiness, And may you do this Christ-life alongside others in the Body.

Because He Lives,

Pastor Bryan Kim

Ephesians Prayers

WHAT HAPPENED TO US

Jesus, I bring my need to You.
I confess that You alone are my sufficiency.
Where I only bring want,
You bring fullness.
What You have started,
Only You can finish.
You alone are the Author and Perfecter of my faith,
Each day, I need more of You, and less of me
In Jesus' name.

Amen.

TO SCALE

Please open my eyes,
Please open my ears,
Please open my heart,
so I can see the great chasm You crossed.
so I can grow in my adoration of who You are.
so I can love You rightly.

NEW STORY

Heavenly Father, help me to remember: Through Jesus,

I am Your child.

I have Your smile,

Your hands,

Your feet,

Your heart,

Your spirit,

But, when I forget who I am, Remind me again of Who You are.

HONEY, I SHRUNK THE CROSS

May the Cross be ever in my focus.

I confess that only You

Are sufficient.

Only through You,

I find joy.

Only in You,

I find rest.

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WORK OF ART

May my life be a Poem written on the palms of Your hands, sung by the chords in Your voice, heard by the people You love.

May it move Your heart.

May it bring tears to Your eyes.

May it be pleasing to You.

Amen.

CHEER UP

King Jesus, You defeated Death,
So I will rejoice in Your victory.
King Jesus, You reign now and forevermore,
So I will wear garments of praise and a smile on my lips.
King Jesus, You will return again,
So I will rest in Your promises.

King Jesus, there is joy in Your presence, So I will go where You lead me, and I will stay where You are.

RESURRECTION PEOPLE

You lifted me from the grave.
You traded my heart of stone for a heart of flesh.

So I'll keep taking off the old layers that run deep, and I'll keep putting on the new self that You give me.

Each morning, renew my mind. I want to look more and more like You.

TRAINING WHEELS NO MO

Heavenly Father, show me the ways I am stunted, where I need to grow.

Holy Spirit, give me the power to exercise the disciplines.

Jesus, be the center,

I reorient my life to Yours.

I will take my lead from You,
for You are the hub of everything I do.

TIME'S A-WASTIN' | PART I

Time, a gift.

A holy space.

I get to enter every day.

I will seek Your will, I will understand.

It's here

I worship You.

TIME'S A-WASTIN' | PART II

Thank you.

My life is a response to Your goodness.

Thank you.

My time is the space for Your will.

I am holy and Yours.
I am gratefully Yours.
I am sent in Your name.

All that I have, all that I am,

I am Yours.

Amen.

THE DWELLING PLACE

Come, Lord.

Speak, Lord.

Stay, Lord.

I will obey.

I am Your dwelling place.

THE SECRET INGREDIENT

I love and fear You.

You hold eternity in Your palms.

And my life is like dust.

I love and fear You.

It is You who weighs the breath in my lungs.

And yet, You care for me.

I love and fear You.

For You are wholly both.

You are the Lion

and the Lamb.

I love and fear you.

You are God.

And I am not.

You are my God.

PLATOON

One Lord,

One Faith,

One Baptism.

We are of one body and one spirit.

With one Hope,

One Race,

Toward our God, the Father of All.

IN GOOD COMPANY

For those of us who feel alone,

May God provide friends to comfort.

For those of us who are unknowingly proud.

May God provide us friends to confront.

For those of us who are surrounded.

May God be glorified in our friendship,

And may we all grow up into Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

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THE BELOVED

Remind me again,
Of how You loved me first.

How You called me Yours and brought me home.

Remind me again, Of how You love me still.

So I can love You and Your people As I have been loved.

ANGER AND THE MESS ALONG THE WAY

Lord, in my anger,

Help me to see the pain that lies beneath.

Help me to not make a mess along the way.

Lord, in my hurting,

Help me to forgive as You have forgiven me.

Teach me to love as You love me.

SERVANT LEADER, SERVANT WORKER

Inside,

Out.

Renew the depths of my soul,

from the inside out

Until You are the Source

of everything I do.

Until You become,

Everything I am.

THE WORK OF OUR HANDS

My Work,

Your Garden

To tend, to care, to love.

My Work,

Your Ministry

To serve, to worship, to love.

My Work,

Your Glory

To honor, to exalt, to love.

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LEAVE AND CLEAVE

When I am blinded by the field, Give me eyes to see the treasure.

In those of whom I love, Because You first taught me how.

So I'll find You in their faces, I'll look for You in the field.

Because You are the treasure I seek. And You are the treasure in me.

WHAT YOU'RE ROOTED AND PLANTED IN

Your truth, the seed, My life, the soil.

Good Gardener, would You teach me to till and cultivate

a softened heart, a hungry spirit ready to receive?

I STILL HAVEN'T FOUND WHAT I'M LOOKING FOR

I trust You, I will wait for You,
I will submit to You and Your timing.

As for me, I declare, You are my fountain, You are the lover of my soul,

now and forever.

AM I WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR?

Lord, You can start with me.

Teach in me, humility.

Construct in me, honesty.

Cultivate in me, humor.

That I may be more like You. That I may love like You.

WE'RE DATING, NOW WHAT?

Step

By

Step

I am listening for Your voice.

I will go where You go.

Step

By

Step

You are my first love,

You will be my last.

BECOMING AND STAYING ONE | PT. II

May I be patient,

May I be kind,

May I be forgetful of mistakes.

As You have been patient with me.

As You have shown kindness to me.

As You have forgotten my mistakes.

Amen.

