

CBS Canada April 2019 Prayer Calendar

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Matthew 4:19: "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."

Jesus is asking us to be His leaders as we fish for men., wherever He has put us: at home, at church, at work, at CBS.

1 Identity

1 Samuel 16:7 "Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

The Spirit will help us sense our spiritual gifts so that we will attempt only what He enables us to do and leads us only where He is at work.

4 Wisdom

James 1:5 "If any one of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault and it will be given to him."

We need Your wisdom. Unless Your Spirit teaches us, we have little to offer. Teach us to go beyond the facts and feelings. May our spirit wait quietly. We need Your wisdom.

7 Action

Romans 8:28: "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose."

I cannot demand to know what is happening next if I am truly being led by the Spirit. Following You is the only way I can make a great and beautiful difference in the world.

10 Succession

Matthew 10:1 "Jesus called His twelve disciples to Him and gave them authority."

Help me touch the spirit of those who possess the heart of a servant. Point out people who love Your people. Let their spiritual gifts visible to me. Help me advance leaders of the future. Don't let me stay in the job one day too long. Don't let it fall apart after I leave. God! Where are my replacements?

2 Ownership

2 Chronicles 20:15 "Do not be afraid... for the battle is not yours but God's."

Time and resources are limited, but not to You. This day is Yours, we are Yours, the people You put in our care are Yours. The challenges we face are Yours. Anything we accomplish is Yours God, not ours.

5 Values

Psalms 51:10 "Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a right spirit within me."

Infuse the right values in our hearts, Lord. Start with me. May our community have strong relationships guided by our commitment to our core values. Lord we need spiritually sensitive people to sense the call and guidance of Your Spirit.

8 Delegation

Numbers 11:17 God takes the Spirit that is on the leader and puts it on the followers.

I cannot do this alone, God. Help me identify other leaders to fulfill Your vision for us. Help us to be clear about the distant goals and who needs to do what to reach those goals, to whom do we delegate the responsibility with zeal. We pray that those we choose through Your leading will have profound results on Your ministry.

11 Hope

Isaiah 40:31 "Those who wait on the Lord will find new strength."

We need great hope to give great energy and determination. You are the God of Hope, give us something to hang onto.

3 Reality

Philippians 4:8 "Fix your thoughts on what is true and honourable and right."

You are real Lord, God of infinite knowledge. Show us what is real, God, by knowing Your truth. Help us see the same reality so we don't waste time and energy. Knowing Your truth will free us to achieve Your mission.

6 Trust

1 John 4:16 "We know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love."

Knowing God loves me, I can trust Him to guide. I trust You will lead my spirit to know what is real truth. I know because You love me, I can hear Your Spirit of truth and find the right way to go.

9 Loss

Exodus 15:26 "... I am the Lord who heals you."

Comfort us Lord in our loss. Let Your healing take place as we lead. Many of us are working wounded everyday: touch us, console us, and heal us. May we carry burdens to Your throne. Use me to bless the hurting through prayer.

12 Blessings

Proverbs 10:22 "The Lord's blessing is our great wealth."

Your blessing is significant in our lives. May we not rely on human blessing and miss Yours. Our work adds nothing to Your blessing, but Your blessing means everything to our work. Make me a blessing to those I lead. Let me know Your special favour.

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13 Weariness

Isaiah 40:29 "He gives power to those who are tired and worn out, but offers strength to the weak." Power and authority come from You, Lord. Despite the energizing vision and power of the Spirit, I am weary. Forgive me for not trusting You to bring the success I longed and prayed for. I ask the Spirit to guide me back to proper boundaries, not for ease or comfort, but to lead me in humble faith.

16 Courage

2 Chronicles 19:11 "Act with courage and may the Lord be with those who do well." Thank You for wisdom from above. Please give us the courage to act. May we know what is right in Your sight and have the courage to do it every time.

19 Failure

Psalms 103:4 "He redeems your life from the pit." You are the God of redemption. You know us inside and out even at our worst. Use my failures to help me trust You more completely, follow You more closely, and bring my struggles to You.

22 Anger

Ephesians 4:26 "Don't let sin in by letting anger gain control over you." Father, You are slow to anger. Give us the motivation power of Your righteous anger. Purge and forgive us from petulant destructive or selfish anger. If there is anger, may we express it in a way that motivates people to great accomplishment.

14 Fear

Isaiah 41:10 "Do not be afraid for I am with you. Do not be dismayed for I am your God." You are God and this is Your work and I know You care about our success or failure. I will give You my fear if You will give me Your peace.

17 Marketing (Image)

Proverbs 22:1 "Choose a good reputation over great riches." We are made in Your image; Your good name matters. Forgive us if and when we slip into exaggeration or mislead to gain recognition for ourselves. Keep us true to Your values. Keep us honest and protect us.

20 Communication

Psalms 19:14 "May the words of my mouth and the thoughts of my heart be pleasing to you, O Lord my rock and my redeemer." You have the power to make us effective in our role by using / speaking the right words. Your words strengthen, clarify, and encourage us. Speak to us. Let us listen to the words of the Spirit and let us speak words from the Spirit.

23 Compassion

Lamentations 3:22 "Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail." Your banner over us is loving compassion. Help us mirror Your compassion.

15 Fasting and Prayer

Psalms 35:13 "I wore sackcloth, I afflicted myself with fasting; I prayed with my head bowed on my chest..." Humble us as we fast and pray.

18 Planning

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you..." You are a great God who has planned our lives. Stepping out of Your path has consequences for the leader and the whole ministry. We need Your grace to peer through the foggy confusion. Help us with the planning process. God of the future show us Your way. Make our plans wise.

21 Strength

Psalms 18:32 "God arms me with strength. He has made my way safe." Your strength makes everything possible. Lord make me a strong leader. Please give us leaders who are armed with Your strength; leaders who are trustworthy to get the job done.

24 Integrity

Proverbs 11:3 "The integrity of the upright guides them." God, You are absolutely who You claim to be. We have a tendency to want to please people. You are the one to whom we are ultimately accountable. Make me certain that my personal character is always consistent with the leadership role I must fill. Set your Spirit at the door of my mouth and guard what I say. Keep me honest and realistic.

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25 Intuition

2 Timothy 2:7 “The Lord will give you insight into all this.”

You are a God of insight. Let me hear Your quiet, inner voice. May I be sensitive to Your Spirit. Help me discern.

28 Change

Luke 5:37 “No one puts new wine into old wineskins.”

We often want progress without change because we are comfortable. We need the right words from You to reduce anxiety, increase confidence, and intensify the feeling we need to implement changes.

26 Creativity

2 Corinthians 3:17 “Wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, He gives freedom.”

You are a creative God. I see the limits of our visible resources; You see the potential of Your unlimited resources. I see the problem; You see the solution. Send Your Spirit to guide me.

29 Gifts: Money and Talent

2 Corinthians 9:6 “Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.”

Everything we have comes from You. You have blessed us and continue to do so. By Your grace, give us wisdom and courage to sow these gifts abundantly for Your kingdom.

27 Discouragement

Lamentations 1:16 “No one is here to comfort us; any who might encourage are far away.”

You are a God who gives hope and encouragement. This is not about faith in You, God. It is about confidence in myself and which direction you are leading. If you want me to press forward, send a messenger. Bring the renewal my spirit needs to keep going on.

30 Love

1 John 4:7 “Let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God.”

God of infinite love, open my eyes to know Your love. As I see the Spirit loving me I will love them more like You do. Thank You for the gift of love for Your people. Love them through me.



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2 Corinthians 5:17, NRSV