

# Scripture Prayer

Praying with the Scriptures is a simple but dynamic way to talk to God. The Bible can be used to pray every type of prayer: praise, confession, thanksgiving, petition, intercession, listening to God, etc. Use the following instructions to lead, teach, or practice praying with the scriptures:

## Instructions:

1. Select a scripture passage or series of passages, which are meaningful to you
2. Pray the scriptures by using the first and second person and putting them in your own words.
3. **Example:** Instead of praying, “For God so love the world that He gave His only begotten son,” pray “God you loved me so much that You gave Your only Son Jesus to die for my sins. Thank You Father. I love you”
4. Another way is to read from the Bible aloud until you come to a phrase or a verse, which grabs your heart. At this point begin to pray, allowing the words of Scripture to guide and inform your prayer.

## Leaders’ Instructions:

1. Divide the people into groups of 3-6 depending on the size of the group. (If there are kids, have each child pair up with an adult and repeat what the adult is saying during the prayer.)
2. Tell each person in the group to read the scripture you give them to themselves.
3. Next, tell them that they will pray their passage out loud after you have started the prayer time with a brief demonstration.
4. Start the prayer time by praying a passage of Scripture as a demonstration.

## Some Scriptures You Can Pray:

Jeremiah 31:3

Romans 5:6-10

Psalms 51:10-13

John 14:27

Isaiah 55:8, 9

Revelation 12:10, 11

Revelation 3:20

Jeremiah 29:11-13

Lamentations 3:22, 23

Philippians 1:6

Psa. 46:1-3

Jude 1:24, 25