

A Marriage Prayer

HEAVENLY FATHER,

Give us wisdom and devotion

IN THE ORDERING OF OUR COMMON LIFE, THAT WE EACH MAY BE TO THE OTHER A
STRENGTH IN NEED, A COUNSELOR IN PERPLEXITY,
A COMFORT IN SORROW, AND A COMPANION IN JOY.

Grant that our wills may be so knit together in your will,
AND OUR SPIRITS IN YOUR SPIRIT, THAT WE MAY GROW IN LOVE AND PEACE WITH YOU
AND ONE ANOTHER ALL THE DAYS OF OUR LIFE.

Give us grace,

WHEN WE HURT EACH OTHER, TO RECOGNIZE AND ACKNOWLEDGE OUR FAULT,
AND TO SEEK EACH OTHER'S FORGIVENESS AND YOURS.

Make our married life together a sign of Christ's love
TO THIS SINFUL AND BROKEN WORLD, THAT UNITY MAY OVERCOME ESTRANGEMENT,
FORGIVENESS HEAL GUILT, AND JOY CONQUER DESPAIR.

*Bestow on us, if it is your will, the gift and
heritage of Children,*

AND THE GRACE TO BRING THEM UP TO KNOW YOU,
TO LOVE YOU, AND TO SERVE YOU.

Give us such fulfillment of our mutual affection
THAT WE MAY REACH OUT IN LOVE AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS.

WE ASK ALL THESE THINGS IN THE NAME OF YOUR SON, JESUS CHRIST.

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Amen

THE MARRIAGE PRAYER IS ADAPTED FROM
THE CELEBRATION AND BLESSING OF MARRIAGE
IN THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCES THAT SUPPORT
EACH PRAYER REQUEST INCLUDE:

Paragraph 1:

PROVERBS 27:17, PROVERBS 27:9, 2 CORINTHIANS 1:4,
ECCLESIASTES 4:9-10, PSALM 149:5.

Paragraph 2:

PSALM 40:8, GALATIANS 5:25, 2 CORINTHIANS 13:11,
PSALM 23:6.

Paragraph 3:

2 CORINTHIANS 13:14, EPHESIANS 2:8,
HEBREWS 12:15, COLOSSIANS 3:13.

Paragraph 4:

JOHN 13:34-35, ROMANS 5:8, JOHN 17:23,
ROMANS 8:1, ISAIAH 61:3.

Paragraph 5:

PSALM 127:3, PROVERBS 22:6.

Paragraph 6:

2 CORINTHIANS 9:11-13, THESSALONIANS 3:12.