"If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up" (Daniel 3:17-18).

10. I pray that you give me the <u>perseverance</u> of Daniel when he fasted and prayed for twenty-one days.

"In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks. I ate no pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled" (Daniel 10:2-3).

11. I pray that you give me the joy of Habakkuk when everything seems to go wrong.

"Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation" (Habakkuk 3:17-18)

12. I pray that you give me the <u>humility</u> of Paul when it counted it all loss for knowledge of Jesus.

"But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ

Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ" (Philippians 3:7-8).

13. I pray that you give me the <u>love</u> of Jesus when he died for us all.

"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:6-8).

14. I pray that you give me the <u>boldness</u> of Peter to witness when he stood on the day of Pentecost and proclaimed the Word of God and three thousand were saved.

"But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words" (Acts 2:14). "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls" (Acts 2:41).

AMEN.

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A Man's Prayer

Thank you, Lord, that you have made me the man that I am.

"For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them" (Psalms 139:13-16).

Thank you, Lord, that I have access to all your promises through Jesus Christ.

"For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us" (II Corinthians 1:20).

Thank you that you, Lord, that you have a purpose in my life.

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end" (Jeremiah 29:11).

Thank you, Lord, that you are able to work all things together for my benefit.

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).

THEREFORE:

1. I pray that you give me the <u>faith</u> of Abraham as he waited for the promise of a son.

"And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness" (Genesis 15:6).

2. I pray that you give me the <u>mission</u> for my life as you did for Moses when he led the Israelites out of Egypt.

"Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt" (Exodus 3:10).

3. I pray that you give me the <u>wisdom</u> of Solomon when he needed wisdom to rule the kingdom.

"And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for

thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment; Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee" (I Kings 3:11-12).

4. I pray that you give me the <u>strength</u> of Sampson when he faced the Philistines.

"And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands. And he found a new jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand, and took it, and slew a thousand men therewith. And Samson said, With the jawbone of an ass, heaps upon heaps, with the jaw of an ass have I slain a thousand men" (Judges 15:14-16).

5. I pray that you give me the <u>valor</u> of Gideon when he stood with three hundred troops against an army of thousands.

"And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto him, The LORD is with thee, thou mighty man of valour" (Judges 6:12). "And he divided the three hundred men into three companies, and he put a trumpet in every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and lamps within the pitchers" (Judges 7:16).

6. I pray that you give me the <u>heart</u> of David who had a heart after God.

"To the chief Musician, Maschil, for the sons of Korah. As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God" (Psalms 42:1).

7. I pray that you give me the moral <u>purity</u> of Joseph when he fled from the wife of Potiphar.

"And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me. But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand; There is none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" (Genesis 39:7-9).

8. I pray that you give me the <u>vision</u> of Elisha when he saw the army of God in the heavens.

"And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha" (II Kings 6:17).

9. I pray that you give me the <u>courage</u> of Daniel's three friends as they faced being cast into the fiery furnace.