



# Prayer Walking Your Neighborhood

When prayer walking in your neighborhood begin by praying Mark 12:29-31 “Of all the commandments, which is the most important? The most important one,” answered Jesus, “is this: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”

Father God, guide our prayers as we walk through our neighborhoods. As we pray for the ability and increased desire to obey the first and most important commandment found in Mark 12, of our need to love you with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength—may we “Love our neighbor as ourselves.” One of the greatest ways to love our neighbors is to pray for them.

God never intended for prayer to be a burden or boring. Prayer walking with your church family, a few close friends, or your family can open the door to new adventures and discoveries in praying. Ask the Holy Spirit to enhance your understanding as an intercessor as you pray with others. Imagine walking in the Garden of Eden with God or Enoch who walked with God (Genesis 5:22)

Prayer walking as a family is a wonderful way to teach your children about the power of prayer and the perfect time to involve them in advancing God’s kingdom by praying and sharing prayer requests.

## Homes

- Pray for homes to be safe places emotionally, physically, mentally, and spiritually for all who live within
- Pray for homes to be filled with love and laughter
- Pray for opportunities to share the gospel to those without Christ
- Pray for homes, with believers, to be aware of the importance of intentionally honoring, worshiping and glorifying the Father in all things
- Pray for strong marriages – for children to know they are loved and treasured – for the truth of who Jesus is to be spoken and shared often
- Pray for single parent homes
- Stand at street corners and ask God’s blessings over each home up and down every street
- When prayer walking with children, be sure to include them in desiring what will be prayed. They will have ideas and concerns and need the opportunity to share those with you and then to pray about them

## Churches

- Pray for churches to be faithful in teaching the truth of God's Word
- Pray for pastors/ministers/deacons and other leaders within the church to have hearts of service
- Pray for ministries to be strengthened and believers united in love and service
- Pray for families to worship together
- Pray, giving thanks for the freedom to worship without fear
- Pray for growing numbers of individuals to be drawn to churches to learn about Jesus

## Schools

- As you prayer walk a school campus, ask the Father to take the campus for Himself – walk the sidewalks and around the playground. Pray over every entrance, ask the Father to **prevent** anyone with ill-intent to put one foot on the campus
- Pray for schools to be a place where students feel safe and can focus on learning
- Pray for students and teachers to be respectful in every interaction
- Pray that students would love learning and desire to give their personal best each day
- May every student know they are seen and are of great worth and value
- May playgrounds be filled with laughter and be a place for developing new friends

## Businesses

- Pray for businesses to be successful
- Pray for employees to be treated fairly
- Pray for employees to be dependable, honest, and hard working
- Pray for customers to be respectful of employees, the physical facility, and the merchandise

### **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18**

**<sup>16</sup> Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.**

### **Philippians 4:6**

**Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.**

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