

40 DAYS OF

EPIC

Prayer



CENTRAL
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Webster's Dictionary defines **EPIC** as "extending beyond the usual or ordinary especially in size or scope." That's right. Everything about the life and ministry of Jesus was **EPIC**. He is beyond ordinary. He is beyond everything we can imagine!

This is your **40 Days of Epic Prayer Guide**: Six days a week, Monday through Saturday, which leads up to Good Friday and Resurrection Weekend. The empty tomb was **EPIC!** This guide follows our series through the Gospel of Mark we're calling **EPIC**. You can start this anytime. You can do this individually, as a family, or as part of your small group. The options and possibilities are completely up to you.

There will be prayer directives pointing you to pray about specific issues that you are possibly facing right now (i.e., fill in the blank options). There will be simply prayers of praise you can offer to God as well as requests you can ask from Him. There will also be days where we ask you to read Scripture from God's Word. Allow His Word to speak to you and reveal His will for your life. He is calling you. He loves you. Allow Him to speak to you.

As we get closer to Resurrection Weekend, think, and pray about who it is the Holy Spirit is leading you to invite to one of our weekend services. He is faithful. You will be amazed at how He answers your prayers.

Finally, we'd love to hear from you. We want your feedback. How was this guide helpful? Where did God take you and lead you? How has He transformed your thoughts on prayer? Drop us a note or send an email. We'd love to hear from you.

Blessings,

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WEEK 1 | EPIC JOY (MARK 1:1-13)

DAY 1 - 2/28

Holy Spirit, fill me to the full with Your Presence and with Your joy, so that I will love Jesus with all that I am and with all that I have.

DAY 2 - 3/1

Lord, I ask that I *"be strengthened with all power, according to Your glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; giving thanks You, who has qualified me to share in the inheritance of the saints in light"* (Colossians 1:11-12).

DAY 3 - 3/2

Jesus, give me a heart to care for those who are lost and have no relationship with You. You love them, Lord. Help me to love them also.

DAY 4 - 3/3

Lord, give me the courage and honesty to recognize my own failings, and the faith to know that You have forgiven me perfectly through the cross of Your Son Jesus.

DAY 5 - 3/4

Father, I need Your peace, "I cast all my anxieties on You because You care for me" (1 Peter 5:7).

DAY 6 - 3/5

Holy Spirit, give me opportunities to point _____ to Jesus.

WEEK 2 | EPIC CALLING (MARK 1:14-31)

DAY 7 - 3/7

This is the Gospel: *"Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures"* (1 Corinthians 15:1-4).

DAY 8 - 3/8

Father, let the Gospel of Jesus have a transforming impact in my family.

DAY 9 - 3/9

Father, let the Gospel of Jesus have a transforming impact on all my relationships.

DAY 10 - 3/10

Father, let the Gospel of Jesus have a transforming impact in my community.

DAY 11 - 3/11

Father, let the Gospel of Jesus have a transforming impact in Your church.

DAY 12 - 3/12

Father, let the Gospel of Jesus have a transforming impact throughout the world.

WEEK 3 | **EPIC COMPASSION (MARK 1:40-42; 2:1-12)**

DAY 13 - 3/14

Father, because You have forgiven me, teach me to forgive _____.

DAY 14 - 3/15

Open my eyes, Lord. Let me see the lonely and hurting in Your church and my community.

DAY 15 - 3/16

God, give me the courage to do whatever it takes to make a difference in the lives of those who need Jesus.

DAY 16 - 3/17

Lord, may I not be guilty of doing anything that brings shame or reproach on the name of Jesus (Psalm 69:6).

DAY 17 - 3/18

Lord, remove my fear of getting close to those with whom I am uncomfortable so that You will give me opportunities to have meaningful conversations about Jesus.

DAY 18 - 3/19

Holy Spirit, increase my faith to know that God can do what seems impossible.

WEEK 4 | **EPIC PEACE (MARK 2:23-3:6)**

DAY 19 - 3/21

Holy Spirit, help me to slow down and take time to listen to You. Please tell me what You want me to do.

DAY 20 - 3/22

Father, miraculously increase my faith, so that I may see the incredible possibilities You have for me, my family, Your church, and my community.

DAY 21 - 3/23

Lord, I am worried and upset about _____. Help me choose You, instead of my troubles (Luke 10:41-42).

DAY 22 - 3/24

Jesus, help me to cling to You while the world tries to distract me.

DAY 23 - 3/25

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).

DAY 24 - 3/26

Thank You, Father, for saving me by Your grace and not by my failure to get everything just right (Ephesians 2:8-9).

WEEK 5 | EPIC POWER (MARK 4:35-41)

DAY 25 - 3/28

Jesus, I confess to You that I am afraid of _____.

DAY 26 - 3/29

Jesus, forgive me for those moments I believe that You don't care for me.

DAY 27 - 3/30

Jesus, may I trust You rather than my own strength and abilities, especially when _____.

DAY 28 - 3/31

Jesus, thank You that You are greater than my fears and doubts.

DAY 29 - 4/1

Jesus, may I witness and experience Your faithfulness even during my struggles with _____.

DAY 30 - 4/2

Jesus, I worship You, knowing that You are always there for me.

WEEK 6 | EPIC HELP (MARK 5:21-42)

DAY 31 - 4/4

God, forgive me for believing You don't care for me as much as You should.

DAY 32 - 4/5

Holy Spirit, block out the voices that try to convince me my troubles are beyond the Lord's help.

DAY 33 - 4/6

Jesus, Your Word tells me that *"no one can snatch me out of Your hand"* (John 10:28). How I need that hope, Lord. Help me.

DAY 34 - 4/7

Jesus, I can worship You, I can trust You. For at the perfect moment, You rescued me.

DAY 35 - 4/8

Father, this is my prayer: *"Cast your burden on the LORD, and He will sustain you; He will never permit the righteous to be moved"* (Psalm 55:22).

DAY 36 - 4/9

God, thank You for helping me when I was facing _____.

WEEK 7 | AN EPIC HELL (MARK 14:32-42)

DAY 37 - 4/11

Holy Spirit, reveal to me the things that are close to the heart of the Father.

DAY 38 - 4/12

Holy Spirit, I commit to remain faithful, even in the face of unknown terrors, for You will never abandon me.

DAY 39 - 4/13

Holy Spirit, give me the faith that knows all things are possible through You.

DAY 40 - 4/14

Holy Spirit, empower and fill Your Church to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

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