



Scripture Prayers for Boldness

Father God, in Your word we see men of old who possessed great boldness - men like David who faced Goliath, and Joshua leading the Israelite army. You told Joshua to be strong and courageous in leading his people to inherit their land (Joshua 1:6,7). Peter and the disciples prayed for boldness to speak Your word in spite the threat of imprisonment. And You answered by shaking the place where they were meeting, filling them with Your Spirit to speak Your word boldly (Acts 4:29-31).

Lord, we want to pray bold prayers like they did. You have not given us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love, and of self-discipline (2 Timothy 1:7).

And so, Gracious God, we approach Your throne of grace, as Your Scripture instructs us, with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace in our time of need (Hebrews 4:16). As we come to You, praying according to Your will, we have confidence that You are listening to us, and even more, that we can receive what we ask of You (1 John 5:14, 15). We know, Almighty God, that You can do immeasurable more than all we ask or imagine, according to Your power that is at work within us (Ephesians 3:20).

Bold Prayers for Ourselves

Lord, I know You have plans for me, to give me hope and a future. I pledge to seek You with all my heart, knowing, as You've promised, that I *will find You!* (Jeremiah 29:11-13). I choose to offer myself to You as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to You, rather than conforming to the world. I ask You to transform me by renewing my mind, enabling me to discern Your perfect will (Romans 12:1,2).

When I lack wisdom, I will come to the One who gives generously to all, choosing to believe that You will give me wisdom (James 1:5,6). I expect to receive when asking, to find when seeking, and to see doors open when I knock (Matthew 7:8). I am confident that You will complete the good work begun in me (Philippians 1:6).

Bold Prayers for All Believers

As Paul prayed continually, we ask that You fill us with the knowledge of Your will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. May we live a life worthy of You, pleasing You in every way, bearing fruit in every good work, strengthened with all power according to Your glorious might. Please give us great endurance, patience, and joy, as we give thanks to You (Colossians 1: 9-12).

Lord, we also pray that the eyes of our hearts may be enlightened in order that we may know the hope to which You have called us, the riches of Your glorious inheritance in the saints, and Your incomparably great power for us who believe (Ephesians 1:18,19).

Jesus, we ask for the anointing that rested on You, to continue in us as we preach the good news to the poor, to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Your favor (Luke 4: 18-19). Holy Spirit, would You fill us with boldness, as You did the disciples, to speak the Word boldly? (Acts 4:29-31) Help us, as You helped Paul, to boldly preach the kingdom of God and to teach about Jesus.

Bold Prayers for Pre-Believers

We pray that pre-believers will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil who has taken them captive to do his will (2 Tim. 2:25). Would You open their hearts to respond personally to the Gospel message (Acts 16:15)? Gracious God, may they confess their sins to You so that in Your faithfulness and justice, You will forgive their sins and purify them from all unrighteousness through the blood of Your Son Jesus (1 John 1:7,9). May they confess with their mouths, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in their hearts that You raised Jesus from the dead, and thus be saved (Rom. 10:9). We ask all these things in the Name of Jesus, Amen.