### Heart

The Way designed before me.

God crucified behind me.

Ownership breathing out of me.

The obstacle is the path.

The no is a yes.

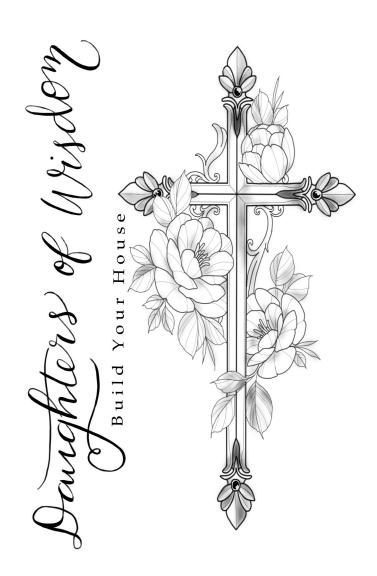
The grave is a victory.

The Cross is our tautology.

### Home

Pro-Motherhood & Family
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"Those who trust in Jesus Christ are like Mount Zion which cannot be moved but abides forever..."
- Psalm 125



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**DAUGHTERS OF WISDOM** 

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"Scrawl runes upon your gates and let the spittle flow!"

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### **FEAR NOT**

# Carry a Bible Wear a Crucifix Pray the Scriptures Ponder a Proverb

### What if I can't do it all?

Slow down. Faith is the power of trusting God's Word to be enough. This isn't about you. This is about Christ for you.

#### What if I am not in control?

You are true daughters when you do what is good and do not give way to fear. Remember that in Jesus Christ, in His body given for you, all power has been perfected in weakness.



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### How might I do this?

- Start small. Pray one Psalm. The same Psalm.
   Every day.
- Ponder a proverb. One new one. Every day.
- Don't expect to be the Master.
- Trust Jesus to do His job. Believe His work on you is enough.

### Why a crucifix?

The emblem of His work to resurrect you is Jesus Christ, crucified. He is the image of God on earth, the sign of Jonah, and a proven focus for spiritual battle against the dark powers of this world.

### Losing hope is not an option...

The fervent prayer of a Christian is effective and avails much. The Spirit Himself intercedes where the flesh is weak. Rest assured, you shall reap a harvest of righteousness in due season. He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.



### RECEIVE GOODNESS

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
Give us this day our daily bread; and
Forgive us our trespasses as
We forgive those who trespass against us; and
Lead us not into temptation, but
Deliver us from evil.

For Thine is

The kingdom and
The power and
The glory
Forever and ever.

Amen.



### **RECEIVE GOODNESS**

### The Ten Commandments

You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of Jesus Christ your God.

You shall remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

You shall honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.



### PRAY THE SCRIPTURES

#### **MORNING**

1 Samuel 2: 1-10, Psalm 133

**MID-DAY** 

Proverbs 31

**VESPERS** 

Psalm 135

#### **COMPLINE**

Psalm 134, Luke 1: 46-55

### Why these words?

The Words of the Bible are the Holy Spirit's presence. His recording of the prayers of faithful women are a divine witness. They are designed to lift you up in the true teaching of what is good. These words are meaningful in a way you won't read about in a modern devotional. Pray them every day for a year. You will see the impact of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in your life, your family, and your church.



### **MORNING**

# Hannah's Prayer

1 Samuel 2: 1-10

- <sup>1</sup> My heart rejoices in Jesus Christ; My horn is exalted in Jesus Christ. I smile at my enemies, because I rejoice in Your salvation. <sup>2</sup> No one is holy like Jesus Christ, for there is none besides You, nor is there any rock like our God.
- <sup>3</sup> Talk no more so very proudly; let no arrogance come from your mouth, for Jesus Christ is the God of knowledge; and by Him actions are weighed. <sup>4</sup>The bows of the mighty men are broken, and those who stumbled are girded with strength. <sup>5</sup> Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread and the hungry have ceased to hunger. Even the barren has borne seven, and she who has many children has become feeble.

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### RECEIVE GOODNESS

# The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



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### **RECEIVE GOODNESS**

### Duties of a Mother

Pray with your children Submit to your head Trust your limits

### Duties of a Queen

Open wide your hands
Sow harmony/Uproot bitterness
Teach what is good
Believe fragile is beautiful

"Fear nothing that is evil."
- 1 Peter 3



### **MORNING**

(Hannah's prayer, continued...)

<sup>6</sup> Jesus Christ kills and makes alive; He brings down to the grave and brings up. <sup>7</sup> Jesus Christ makes poor and makes rich; He brings low and lifts up. <sup>8</sup> He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the beggar from the ash heap, to set them among princes and make them inherit the throne of glory. For the pillars of the earth are Jesus Christ's and He has set the world upon them.

<sup>9</sup>He will guard the feet of His saints, but the wicked shall be silent in darkness. For by strength no man shall prevail. <sup>10</sup> The adversaries of Jesus Christ shall be broken in pieces; from heaven He will thunder against them. Jesus Christ will judge the ends of the earth. He will give strength to His king, and exalt the horn of His anointed.



### **MORNING**

## Psalm 133

<sup>1</sup>Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! <sup>2</sup>It is like the precious oil upon the head, running down on the beard, the beard of Aaron, running down on the edge of his garments. <sup>3</sup>It is like the dew of Hermon, descending upon the mountains of Zion; For there Jesus Christ commanded the blessing—Life forevermore.

### **RECEIVE GOODNESS**

Do you feel unequipped to be a godly woman?

Are you a woman? You are a princess. Are you a wife? You are a queen. Are you a mother? You are a life-giver.

But, it's not about you. It is about...

God who made you
Christ who bought you
The Spirit who inhabits you

By Promise For Faith To Hope

"Look on the affliction of your maidservant and remember me. Forget not your tender mercies on my people in all the days of their lives." - 1 Samuel 1



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### RECEIVE GOODNESS

### The Princess Principle

### The Sarai Secret

The incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit is exceedingly precious in the King's sight.

Integrity is the finest adornment. The quiet heart of a chaste and trustworthy woman is worth more than rubies.

Submit your fear of man to the holy trust you have in your Almighty God. He is gracious and merciful, full of compassion, and abounding in the loyalty of love.

"Rejoice, Daughter of Zion! Your King comes to you, humble and having salvation." - Zechariah 9:9



### MID-DAY

### Proverbs 31

<sup>1</sup> The Words of King Lemuel, the utterance which his mother taught him

<sup>2</sup> What, my son? And what, son of my womb? And what, son of my vows? 3 Do not give your strength to women, nor your ways to that which destroys kings. 4 It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine, nor for princes intoxicating drink; 5 Lest they drink and forget the law, and pervert the justice of all the afflicted. <sup>6</sup> Give strong drink to him who is perishing, and wine to those who are bitter of heart. 7 Let him drink and forget his poverty, and remember his misery no more. 8 Open your mouth for the speechless, in the cause of all who are appointed to die. 9 Open your mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy.

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### MID-DAY

The Virtuous Wife (Proverbs 31, continued...)

<sup>10</sup> Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies. 11 The heart of her husband safely trusts her; so he will have no lack of gain. 12 She does him good and not evil all the days of her life. <sup>13</sup> She seeks wool and flax, and willingly works with her hands. 14 She is like the merchant ships, she brings her food from afar. <sup>15</sup> She also rises while it is yet night, and provides food for her household, and a portion for her maidservants. <sup>16</sup>She considers a field and buys it; from her profits she plants a vineyard. <sup>17</sup> She girds herself with strength, and strengthens her arms. 18 She perceives that her merchandise is good, and her lamp does not go out by night. 19 She stretches out her hands to the distaff, and her hand holds the spindle. 20 She extends her hand to the poor. Yes, she reaches out her hands to the needy.

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### **COMPLINE**

# The Magnificat

Luke 1: 46-55

<sup>46</sup> "My soul magnifies the Lord, <sup>47</sup> and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. 48 For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. 49 For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. <sup>50</sup> And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation. 51 He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. 52 He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly. 53 He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. 54He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, 55 As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever."



### **COMPLINE**

# Psalm 134

<sup>1</sup> Behold, bless Jesus Christ, all you servants of Jesus Christ, who by night stand in the house of Jesus Christ! <sup>2</sup> Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless Jesus Christ. <sup>3</sup> Jesus Christ who made heaven and earth bless you from Zion!

### **MID-DAY**

The Virtuous Wife (Proverbs 31, continued...)

<sup>21</sup> She is not afraid of snow for her household, for all her household is clothed with scarlet. <sup>22</sup> She makes tapestry for herself; her clothing is fine linen and purple. 23 Her husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land. <sup>24</sup> She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies sashes for the merchants. <sup>25</sup> Strength and honor are her clothing; she shall rejoice in time to come. <sup>26</sup> She opens her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness. <sup>27</sup> She watches over the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. <sup>28</sup> Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: <sup>29</sup> "Many daughters have done well, but you excel them all." 30 Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, but a woman who fears Jesus Christ, she shall be praised. 31 Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her own works praise her in the gates.



### VESPERS

# Psalm 135

### <sup>1</sup> Praise Jesus Christ!

Praise the name of Jesus Christ; praise Him, O you servants of Jesus Christ! <sup>2</sup> You who stand in the house of Jesus Christ, in the courts of the house of our God, <sup>3</sup>Praise Jesus Christ, for Jesus Christ is good; sing praises to His name, for it is pleasant. <sup>4</sup> For Jesus Christ has chosen Jacob for Himself, Israel for His special treasure.

<sup>5</sup> For I know that Jesus Christ is great, and our Lord is above all gods. <sup>6</sup> Whatever Jesus Christ pleases He does, in heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deep places. <sup>7</sup> He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightning for the rain; He brings the wind out of His treasuries.

<sup>8</sup> He destroyed the firstborn of Egypt, both of man and beast. <sup>9</sup> He sent signs and wonders into the midst of you, O Egypt, upon Pharaoh and all his servants.

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### **VESPERS**

(Psalm 135, continued...)

 $^{10}$  He defeated many nations and slew mighty kings —  $^{11}$  Sihon king of the Amorites, Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan —  $^{12}$  And gave their land as a heritage, a heritage to Israel His people.

<sup>13</sup> Your name, O Jesus Christ, endures forever, Your fame, O Jesus Christ, throughout all generations. <sup>14</sup> For Jesus Christ will judge His people, and He will have compassion on His servants.

<sup>15</sup> The idols of the nations are silver and gold, the work of men's hands. <sup>16</sup> They have mouths, but they do not speak; eyes they have, but they do not see; <sup>17</sup> They have ears, but they do not hear; nor is there any breath in their mouths. <sup>18</sup> Those who make them are like them; so is everyone who trusts in them.

<sup>19</sup> Bless Jesus Christ, O house of Israel! Bless Jesus Christ, O house of Aaron! <sup>20</sup> Bless Jesus Christ, O house of Levi! You who fear Jesus Christ, bless Jesus Christ! <sup>21</sup> Blessed be Jesus Christ out of Zion, who dwells in Jerusalem!

Praise Jesus Christ!