



Prayers in Time of Trouble

O God, our help and assistance Who is just and merciful, and Who hears the supplications of Your people, look down upon me a miserable sinner. Have mercy upon me and deliver me from the trouble that besets me, for which I know I am deservedly suffering. I acknowledge and believe, O Lord, that all trials of this life are given by You for our chastisement when we drift away from You and disobey Your commandments. Deal not with me after my sins, but according to Your bountiful mercies, for I am the work of Your hands and You know my weakness.

Grant me, I beseech You, Your divine helping grace, and endow me with patience and strength to endure my tribulations with complete submission to Your Will. You know my misery and suffering and to You, my only hope and refuge, I flee for relief and comfort. Trusting in Your infinite love and compassion, I know that in due time, when You know best, You will deliver me from this trouble and turn my distress into comfort. I shall rejoice in Your mercy and exalt and praise Your Holy Name, of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, forever. Amen.



A Prayer for Guidance and Peace

In all humility we pray to You and we entreat You, Who are the source of wisdom, bless and grant perfect health of mind and body unto our President and all leaders of our nation. Direct, O Lord, their thoughts to the way of truth, so that they may enact, order and enforce whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are just, tending toward all excellence and virtue. Enlighten them to govern our country with justice and to lead our people in the ways of Your righteousness. Send to us and to the whole world a just and lasting peace to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

A Prayer to the Theotokos

Make us worthy of compassion, O Theotokos, Who are a source of tenderness. Look upon a sinful people and manifest Your power as ever. For, hoping on You, we cry out aloud to You as Gabriel once did: Hail, chief among the bodiless powers; hail, You Who are full of Grace; hail, unwedded bride. Amen.



A Prayer to Your Guardian Angel

O Angel of Christ, holy guardian and protector of my soul and body, forgive me every transgression which I have committed this day and deliver me from every craft of my enemy and adversary. May I not anger my God by any sin. Pray for me to the Lord, His sinful and unworthy servant, that He may make me worthy of the grace of the All-Holy Trinity, and of the Most Blessed Theotokos, and of all the Saints. Amen.

A Prayer to Your Patron Saint

Pray unto God for me, O Holy Saint (Name), well-pleasing to God, for I turn unto You, who are the speedy helper and intercessor for my soul. Amen.

The Jesus Prayer

Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Amen.



Prayers for the Departed

Remember, O Lord, all who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection and of eternal life, our fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters, Orthodox Christians who rest both here and in all other parts of the earth. Place them with Your saints, where the light of Your countenance shines, and have mercy upon us, for You are gracious and love all mankind.

Grant, O Lord, to all that have gone before us in faith and hope of the resurrection, remission of sins and keep them in everlasting memory. Amen.

In the place of Your rest, O Lord, where all Your saints repose, give rest to the souls of Your servants, for You alone are immortal.

O Virgin, alone pure and immaculate that in maiden-motherhood brought forth God, intercede for the salvation of the souls of your servants.

With the saints give rest, O Christ, to the souls of Your servants (names), where there is not pain, sorrow or sighing, but Life everlasting. Amen.