

Praying for God's Spirit
2-28-2021

1) WE PRAY FOR INNER STRENGTH THROUGH THE SPIRIT

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being,
Ephesians 3:14-16

So David and his men wept aloud until they had no strength left to weep.
1 Samuel 30:4

David was greatly distressed because the men were talking of stoning him; each one was bitter in spirit because of his sons and daughters. But David found strength in the Lord his God.
1 Samuel 30:6

2) WE PRAY FOR CHRIST TO DWELL IN OUR HEARTS THROUGH FAITH

"so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith."
Ephesians 17a

3) WE PRAY THAT WE WOULD BE ROOTED AND GROUNDED IN LOVE

" - that you, being rooted and grounded in love,"
Ephesians 3:17b

Some [seeds] fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root.
Matthew 13:5-6

The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away.
Matthew 13:20-21

4) WE PRAY FOR OUR HEARTS TO GRASP THE GREATNESS OF CHRIST'S LOVE

"And I pray that you... may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.
Ephesians 3:18-19

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.
Ephesians 3:20-21