



**Theme:** Season of Easter

**1 Peter 2:24 NLT**

*He personally carried our sins in his body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By his wounds you are healed.*

**“Give me your wisdom so I will be ready.”**

What does it take for you to walk out the door on any given day? We shower, pour coffee, choose clothes, fix our hair, and mentally map out the day ahead. There is effort, intention, and a bit of self-evaluation to ensure we have what we need for the day ahead. We prepare our bodies and our schedules because we know they affect how we show up to the world, but how often do we pause to prepare our hearts?

1 Peter 2:24 reminds us of the foundation of our faith: Jesus bore the weight we could never lift so that we can live differently—dead to sin and alive to what is right. Because of His wounds, we walk in healing, freedom, and purpose. Such a sacrifice deserves more than a passing thought.

Spiritual readiness takes intention, just like getting dressed or pouring that first cup of coffee. Seek the Holy Spirit, spend time in the Word, pray to align your thoughts actions with His will, and ask for opportunities to share Jesus with someone who needs His love, hope and joy.

Every day, God places people in our path—co-workers, neighbors, waiters, family members—who need the healing and hope only Jesus provides. When we start our day with spiritual preparation, we become ready and willing participants in God’s mission.

**Pray:** God, as I think about sharing the power of the cross with others, help me to be ready when you create an opportunity.

**Share:** How do you usually prepare yourself physically for the day? In what areas of your life do you need to be more intentional about spiritual readiness? What distractions or habits keep you from daily spiritual preparation? How does the healing Jesus provides—spiritual, emotional, or physical—equip you to minister to others? How can you convey to others what the power of the cross means to you?



## **Suggested Prayer Topics**

Pray for yourself. Ask God to bring to the surface what you need to learn from the scripture or what needs to be addressed within your heart and renew the desire to engage with those that need the hope of Jesus.

Pray for Stonecroft Ministries. Pray for the mission of the ministry, the Board of Directors, National Office staff and volunteers across the nation.

Pray for the needs of your family and friends. Pray that God gives you opportunities to speak into their lives and gives them hope and encouragement only found in Jesus.

Pray for local Outreach Groups (Women's Connections, Bible studies, etc.) and your community. Pray for opportunities to share the Gospel. Pray for hearts and minds that are ready to receive him.

Pray for our nation. For wisdom and protection of our leaders on every level, our workplaces, and our families.

Pray for global evangelism. Pray that every woman everywhere would be reconciled to God through Jesus Christ.