



## PRAYING COLOSSIANS OVER CAMPUSES

We have chosen 7 sections of Scriptures from the book of Colossians to help launch the practice of praying Scripture over our schools. We have written out the first prayer to get you started and some prompts from the other Scriptures to get you started during these first days of school and the "...” ellipses are to encourage you to keep praying.

*“For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.”*

*Colossians 1:9-12 NAS*

Lord, please prompt us continually to pray for campuses from pre-school through college. May everyone who learns and labors in education be filled with the knowledge of You Lord, Your Word, wisdom, will and ways so that all would walk, worship, and work in a manner worthy of the Lord. Moment by moment may they increase in the knowledge of God, be fruitful in every good work You have prepared and please You. May joy and gratitude abound as they are strengthened by You. Keep them steadfast as You watch over them and let no distraction or darkness come near as they live in the light of Your love and Word. In the mighty name of Jesus we pray, Amen!

*“So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving each other, whoever has a complaint against anyone; just as the Lord forgave you, so also should you. Beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity.”*

*Colossians 3:12-14*

Lord, we pray through purchases and pictures of new school clothes that everyone will have all they need. Thank You for clothing us in Your love, that we are wrapped in Your compassion, Kindness, humility, patience, and forgiveness each day. Help everyone on campus to be filled and overflowing with all of these and to walk them out in their personal character and compassion to others....

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful.”

*Colossians 3:15*

Lord God, our Prince of Peace and the One who never leaves or forsakes us, let Your peace saturate the hearts and halls on campuses across our nation, for those we love in our family, as the family of God, and for those who do not know You or have even rebelled or rejected You we pray they would experience You in an undeniable way and draw nearer to You. In these days of such noted high anxiety and depression, Lord we pray Your peace over them, cause grace and gratitude to grow and unity, not division bind their hearts together to sharpen one another in You and Your Word. Fill them to be strong and courageous in You, let faith arise and cause fear to flee as they put their trust in You...

“Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart.”

*Colossians 3:20-21*

Heavenly Father, I pray first for the fatherless, for those who have been abandoned or do not know what it means to have a loving father on whom they can learn and rely. I pray for those who have parents who exasperate them, who do not speak Your Word or words of love and encouragement to them. For the abused, those who do not feel safe or loved, please let them know You are love and their refuge, that they can call on You when they are afraid, and Your love is always and forever. Help them to learn, to live, and to not lose heart...

“Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve. For he who does wrong will receive the consequences of the wrong which he has done, and that without partiality.”

*Colossians 3:23-25*

Lord who gave us life and all we need to live a godly, abundant life, let all we do be in gratitude and honor to You. Be our one desire, our Lord whom we seek to delight. Do not let popularity sway any generation, whether young or old, student or educator, grandparent, parent, child, coach, mentor, pastor or neighbor. I pray we would all seek Your face and favor, that You would be the One we serve as You pour out blessings we do not deserve. I pray that all who scheme and do wrong would be caught quickly and that in Your grace and the consequences of their actions they would be persuaded to fully follow You and know Your reward...

“Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving.”

*Colossians 4:2*

Lord as we pray for campuses and all who are a part of education, we also pray that they would have devoted prayer lives knowing they can pray continually throughout their day and Your wisdom, protection, praise and provision is only a whisper away. May they not just rely on the prayers of others but come boldly to Your throne filled with the praise of Your glory, thankfulness of Your blessings, and confidence in the One who is our Help....

**“Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person.”**

*Colossians 4:6*

Lord Who spoke everything into existence, the Word Who became flesh and dwelt among us, we pray over the words spoken to our students that Truth would take root in their hearts and minds and that ignorance, nonsense, wickedness, and hurtfulness would be blown away from them by the breath of Your Spirit and only that which is God-breathed would take root in them and come forth from them. We pray Your wisdom and lovingkindness would fill their hearts and pour forth from them, that blessings not curses would overflow from them as You set a guard over their lips and refresh them with knowledge and understanding from Truth, dispelling and dismissing anything that comes against You, any trash that seeks to creep into them from school, media, friends or family that speaks that which is not of You and for You, would be exposed and expelled from their lives and leave only space for Your grace and goodness in their thoughts, words and deeds...

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