February 2024 Amazing Love

It's the month of Valentines when thoughts turn to love. What better theme to guide our prayer thoughts this month than God's love so greatly, and freely, showered upon us? Let's use some "love song lyrics" to help us find our way in prayer for the next 29 days (Yep! It's a leap year!)

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- 1 "Jesus loves me, this I know..." Do you know a new Christian in your circle of friends? Pray for the assurance of salvation which comes only from Christ himself.
- **2 "For the Bible tells me so..."** Pray for the Bible study groups in your church. Are you in one? Pray for your friends' groups too. May we all grow in truth found in his Word.
- **3 "Little ones to him belong..."** From the youngest to the oldest in our homes, churches, and cities, we are all "little," vulnerable and easily led astray. Pray for worldwide revival, starting at home.
- 4 SUNDAY: "Love divine, all loves excelling..." There is no greater love than that of our Heavenly Father. Worship him today with a grateful heart. Ask how we might share that love with others today. "Lord, send someone across my path today who needs to hear of you, through me."

- **5** "O love, that will not let us go..." Jesus is a strong Savior who won't let go of us. Are there "wandering sheep" nearby—people to pray for? Name them, one by one.
- **6 "Love was when God became a man..."** Jesus having lived among us is a powerful display of his redemptive love for us. Pray that our neighbors would be curious about who he is as they see him at work in us!
- 7 "Love lifted me..." When nothing else could help! Jesus lifted Peter from the stormy sea. Pray the love of Jesus to be revealed to a sinking world.
- 8 "Of the Father's love begotten..." All our works must be based in this love—his love. He is our source for life itself. "Lord, help us to love as you love."
- 9 "Amazing Love, how can it be..." "God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son" to save us. This is amazing, and personal, and not to be kept to ourselves! "Lord, how will you use me today?"
- 10 "How wide the love of Christ, it knows not class or race..." North America is our mission—a very large one! Pray for the many workers and congregations teamed up for this work in the U.S. and Canada.
- 11 SUNDAY: "I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice, to worship you, O my soul rejoice..." Pray for your pastor today.

- 12 "Loving God, loving each other..." Our pastors' wives have a special place of service in their homes, congregations, and communities. Pray for your pastor's spouse today. Not married? Pray for him again!
- 13 "Lord, the light of your love is shining. In the midst of the darkness, shining..."

 Jesus, the One we serve, is the Light of the World. The world seems all too dark at the moment. Let us pray.
- 14 ASH WEDNESDAY: "Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim..." Lent begins. Turn your eyes to the cross. Jesus died there and now lives. Pray for all the missionaries you know who bring this news to the world.
- 15 "Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love..." The loneliness and desperation of millions is a result of a lack of love and connection with God and his people. Let's work together to remedy that!
- 16 "How deep the Father's love for us..." Calvary stands as a stark reminder that we are loved beyond imagining by our Creator. Pray words of repentance today.
- 17 "Thy loving kindness is better than life..." "Lord, show us how to be carriers of your kindness to those in our neighborhood and community. North America? Yes, but let me start at home.



18 SUNDAY: "Father, we love you, we worship and adore you..." What is your church praying for today? Missions? Souls? Vision? Join your friends in prayer.

19 "I could sing of your love forever..." God's love fills our hearts, and his promise is for eternal life. Pray a favorite hymn of praise today.

20 "See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down..."

Jesus on the cross is an act of love the whole world needs to know. Join us as we join Jesus on his mission. Pray for the hearts of people everywhere to be open to the gospel.

21 "Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side..." God IS love and his Son on the cross is such powerful proof. Pray for our U.S. and Canadian church plants today.

22 "O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the Holy Lamb of God! O wash me in his precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God..." Sit quietly, giving thanks.

23 "Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known..." Pray that God's people will share joyfully the love and forgiveness of their Savior, so that many will seek his grace. Pray for our pastors as they prepare for the days ahead.

24 "Jesus, thy boundless love to me no thought can reach, no tongue declare; unite my thankful heart to thee, and reign without a rival there..." It's personal!

25 SUNDAY: "O Jesus, blessed Lord, to thee my heartfelt thanks forever be, who has so lovingly bestowed on me thy body and thy blood..." When you share in the Lord's Supper this month, remember that you are at a table that stretches across the ages and nations.

26 "I love your kingdom, Lord..." We pray for millions who are not yet in his kingdom; this is our work, under his direction, to introduce others to our Master and Savior.

27 "I love your Church, O God, your saints in every land..." Christ calls us, the Church, to be his ambassadors at home and around the globe. Pray for his Church today!

28 "In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth." Pray beyond local and national borders; pray for worldwide revival.

29 "O God of love, O King of peace, make war throughout the world to cease; The rage of nations now to restrain: give peace, O God, give peace again!" WE live in a world at war. Pray Jesus to invade our hearts... me first, then leaders. Amen.







