

How to Use Your Prayer Phone:

1. Let God know that you're thinking about him. Activate your prayer phone by saying hello to God out loud, or writing "Hi God" in a prayer journal (or on paper).
2. Imagine that God grins and asks, "Hi! How are you?" Speak to him out loud or write out how you're feeling. It's good to be self-aware. Be totally honest. You can tell him everything you're going through because he understands you perfectly.
3. When you're ready to pause, let God answer you. He speaks silently. Say or write the words or images that are in your mind, even if you don't know their meaning. Once you've got something, ask God for a verse about it. You may have an idea or symbol to look up in the Bible. (Enter it [here](#).) You may have a song in your head. You might have an issue to discuss with him. (If so, get verses at [GotQuestions.org](#).)
4. Imagine that Father God is sitting with you in a special place. Now, listen to him speak to you in your imagination. Don't try to figure out how to make him speak, just let the words come. Soak them up. When you're ready, open the [Bible](#). He may lead you to one of your verses from step 3 above, or to another place in your Bible. If you're not sure where to start reading, you can open up to a random place (maybe [Romans 8](#)) and read until you understand what's going on in that section.
5. When you've collected and responded to a few scripture seeds, check yourself to see how you're doing. You may feel ready to move on to the next thing in your day with God. If you still feel tension, ask God where it's coming from. **Spiritual tension** feels like something is happening that you don't feel completely right about. **Emotional tension** feels like a nagging (or overwhelming) anxiety, sadness or anger. **Mental tension** feels like you're confused or can't decide about something. **Behavioral tension** feels like something has happened that's keeping you from feeling at peace. **Physical tension** feels like discomfort, hunger or thirst in your body. Talk to God out loud or write down what might be causing this tension.
6. Listen to what he wants and then write it down. You can use the next page to help you unlock God's desires in the Bible. Let his desire be your desire for yourself and those he leads you to pray for. Stay in prayer until you are at rest without tension.



How to Pray for God's Desires in Your Life:

1. Ask God to lead you. Open to whatever part of the Bible you like. Read it.
2. Mark the words and verses that pop out to you. You can write in your Bible.
3. Ask God what he wants to show you directly through these words. Journal it.
4. Place the words into a historical context using the list on the next page.
5. Figure out if these words are *story*, *poetry*, *prophecy*, or *communication*.
6. Ask God, "What is the purpose of these words in this context?" Journal this.
7. Ask God, "What does this say to me about who you really are?" Journal this.
8. Look for similarities between your life and the action happening in the text.
9. Ask God, "Do you want for me what you wanted for these characters?"
10. Use his answer to pray for yourself and others.

Study tools are available for free at [StudyLight.org](https://www.studylight.org):

In order to **find a verse you remember**, use a concordance. At StudyLight, use "General Search" with your Bible version. Or, just Google your key words.

In order to find out what the Bible says **about a topic**, use a topical Bible.

Nave's search bar (in right sidebar): <https://www.studylight.org/concordances/ntb.html>

In order to understand the **meaning of a word**, use a Bible dictionary.

Easton's search bar (in right sidebar): <https://www.studylight.org/dictionaries/ebd.html>

In order to understand the **meaning of a passage**, use a commentary.

Henry's navigator: <https://www.studylight.org/commentaries/mhm.html>

Remember that study tools are sometimes wrong, but the Bible is never wrong.



The Twenty Contexts of His Story

Find your chosen book here and then connect the number in parentheses to the list: (story, [poetry](#), [prophecy](#), or [communication](#)): Gen (1-5), Ex-Deut (5-6), Jos-1 Sam (7-8), 2 Sam-2 Chron (8-9), Ezra-Est (10), **Job** (4), **Psa-Song** (8), *Isa-Dan* (8-9), *Hos-Zeph* (8), *Hag-Mal* (10-11), Mat-Joh (11-13), Acts (14-15), [Rom-Phi](#) (15), [Heb-Rev](#) (16-20) -from *Hams 7 Cs*

1. **Creation**, in Genesis 1 - 2, humanity is **innocent** from sin.
2. **Corruption**, in Genesis 3:1 - 6:8, humanity **becomes sinful**.
3. **Catastrophe**, in Genesis 6:9 - 10:32, humanity is **purged** from sin.
4. **Confusion**, in Genesis 11 & **Job**, humanity is **judged** for sin.

5. **Covenant**, Gen. 12 - Exodus 19, God **creates a Hebrew culture**.
6. **Commandments**, Exodus 20 - Deut. 34, God **teaches** his culture.
7. **Courts**, Joshua 1 - 1 Samuel 8, God **trains** his culture.
8. **Crown**, 1 Samuel 9:1 - 2 Kings 17:5, God **establishes** his culture.
(also 1 Chron. 1 - 2 Chron. 28, **Psalms 1-Isaiah 35**, *Hosea-Zephaniah*)

9. **Captivity**, 2 Kin. 17:6-25:30, 2 Chr. 29-36, God **disciplines** his culture.
(also *Isaiah 36-66* and *Jeremiah-Daniel*)
10. **Comeback**, Ezra-Esther, *Haggai-Mal. 4:4*, God **restores** his culture.
11. **Calm**, *Malachi 4:5* - Matthew 1:15, God **cleanses** his culture.
(also Mark 1:1-8, Luke 1:1-25 and John 1:1-28)
12. **Christ**, Matthew 1:16-25:46, God **coaches** his culture.
(also Mark 1:9-13:37, Luke 1:26-21:38 and John 1:29-9:36)

13. **Cross**, Matthew 26:1-28:20, God **saves** his people from sin.
(also Mark 13:38- 16:20, Luke 22:1 - 24:53, John 9:37-21:25)
14. **Community**, Acts 1:1 - 9:14, God **continues calling** his culture.
15. **Commission**, Acts 9:15 - [Philemon 25](#), God **perfects** his people.
16. **Collection**, [Hebrews 1](#) - [Revelation 3](#), God **preserves** his culture.

17. **Coalition**, [Revelation 4 - 18](#), God **punishes** the evil on earth.
18. **Consummation**, [Revelation 19](#), God **destroys** the evil on earth.
19. **Chiliasm**, [Rev 20](#), God **rules** the earth and ends evil.
20. **Change**, [Revelation 21 - 22](#), God makes earth and heaven **new**.



How to Know What God is Saying

God designed our relationship with him to be like a treasure hunt. More than anything else in our lives, he wants us to be thrilled with getting to know him. The author of his story (history) wants his love relationship with us to be more exciting than any other drama that exists. So, he adds intrigue: everything that happens between God and us is in another dimension. We can't see him, hear him or feel him with our five senses. Yet, we'd give our lives for this relationship. Why?

Ever since he created humanity in the garden of Eden, God allures us with something called glory. Only his private group of born-again followers can recognize what his glory feels like. His book (the Bible) reveals concepts that are impossible to understand unless we die and are reborn. But this death is in his other dimension, too.

So, if our deepest pains and pleasures come through this mysterious communication with an unseen author, what's the key to this secret communication with God? How does he thrill us with these "words" (rhema Bible verses) that are to die for?

- 1. Resonation.** As we get to know what true spiritual satisfaction feels like, we can tell if a concept runs through our mind the right way. When an idea in scripture answers our desire for truth and rightness, it could be a personal message to us.
- 2. Repetition.** God allowed a competitor into our love story. Satan's number-one strategy is deception. To help us filter God's ideas out from the lies in our mind, God may make a certain verse or symbol show up "coincidentally" in our life, sometimes several times. This is to show us that he's highly involved in everything that happens.
- 3. Resolution.** God enjoys solving our problems. This increases our affection for him. When the right idea solves our problems, we take notice.
- 4. Re-evaluation.** The ideas that he shares with us are meant to be treasured (enjoyed). If we stop treasuring the relationship with him and start treasuring these ideas by ourselves, deception creeps in. But, if we evaluate these ideas with him, in light of the whole Biblical story, we can be confident that God has sent us a message.

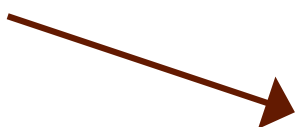


Thank you for downloading “How to Use Your Prayer Phone.” If you enjoyed it, you’re welcome to come on back and get our five GRACE strategies in one free, printable packet. Then, you’ll know just where to turn when you’re tempted, overwhelmed, confused, exhausted or weak. We want to be a part of your next breakthrough!

Head over to our [printing instructions](#) to find out how to grab *The Worship Strategy Book*. Here’s a sneak peek at all five strategies:

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