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Romans 15:13 Paul *prayed* that through the experience of faith you would be filled with joy and peace: “¹³In order that by that power of the Holy Spirit you may overflow with hope.”

Ephesians 1:17 Paul said, “I always *pray* for you to the Father of glory.” “¹⁷In order that you may have a deep intimate knowledge of Him.”

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Ephesians 3:17-19 Paul *prayed* for us to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man. “¹⁷In order that *Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.*” That Christ may actually make His permanent home in your hearts!

He continued to *pray* that we would be rooted and grounded in love. “¹⁸In order that *we may have the power to comprehend the exceeding knowledge of Christ love.*”

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He continued to *pray* for the power to comprehend the love of Christ. ¹⁹**In order that** *you may really come to know practically, through experience for yourselves the love of Christ, which far surpasses mere knowledge without experience; **in order that** you may be filled through all your being unto all the fullness of God may have the richest measure of the divine Presence, and become a body wholly filled and flooded with God Himself!”*

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Philippians 1:10 Paul once again *praying* that your love may abound in knowledge and insight. “^{10a}In order that you may be able to discern what is best.” “^{10b}In order that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.”

Colossians 1:11 In vs.9 does not cease *praying* for knowledge, wisdom and spiritual understanding. “¹⁰In order that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.” “¹¹In order that you may have great endurance and patience.”

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1 Thessalonians 3:13 Paul *prays* for the church to increase and abound in love to one another. “¹³In order that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.”

2 Thessalonians 1:12 Once again Paul *prays* for your calling and your confidence in His power, wisdom and goodness. “¹²In order that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in Him.”

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In **John 17:ff**, Jesus prayed **16 times** for specific results:

- a. Jesus prays for *Himself* vs.1-4
- b. Jesus prays for *His Disciples* vs.11-19
- c. Jesus prays for *All believers* vs.20-25

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a. Jesus prays for *Himself* vs.1-4

¹⁷ ¹Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, in order that that Your Son also may glorify You,

² as You have given Him authority over all flesh, in order that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him.

³ And this is eternal life, in order that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

⁴ I have glorified You on the earth, in order that I might finished the work which You have given Me to do.⁵ And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

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b. Jesus prays for *His Disciples* vs.11-19

. ¹¹ Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, in order that they may be one as We are.

¹² *While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled.*

¹³ *But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, in order that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.*

¹⁴ *I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but [I do pray] in order that You should keep them from the evil one.*

¹⁶ *They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth. ¹⁸ As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, in order that they also may be sanctified in the truth.*

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c. Jesus prays for *All Believers* vs.20-25

²⁰ "I do not pray for these alone, but also pray for those who will believe in Me through their word; ²¹ in order that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; in order that they also may be one in Us, in order that the world may believe that You sent Me.

²² And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, in order that they may be one just as We are one:

²³ I in them, and You in Me; in order that they may be made perfect in one, and in order that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

²⁴ "Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, in order that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵ O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. ²⁶ And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare it, in order that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them."

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Prayer Assignment:

Heavenly Father, I pray for _____

That you would _____

Anticipated results, faith filled

“In order that” _____

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Hallelujah!

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