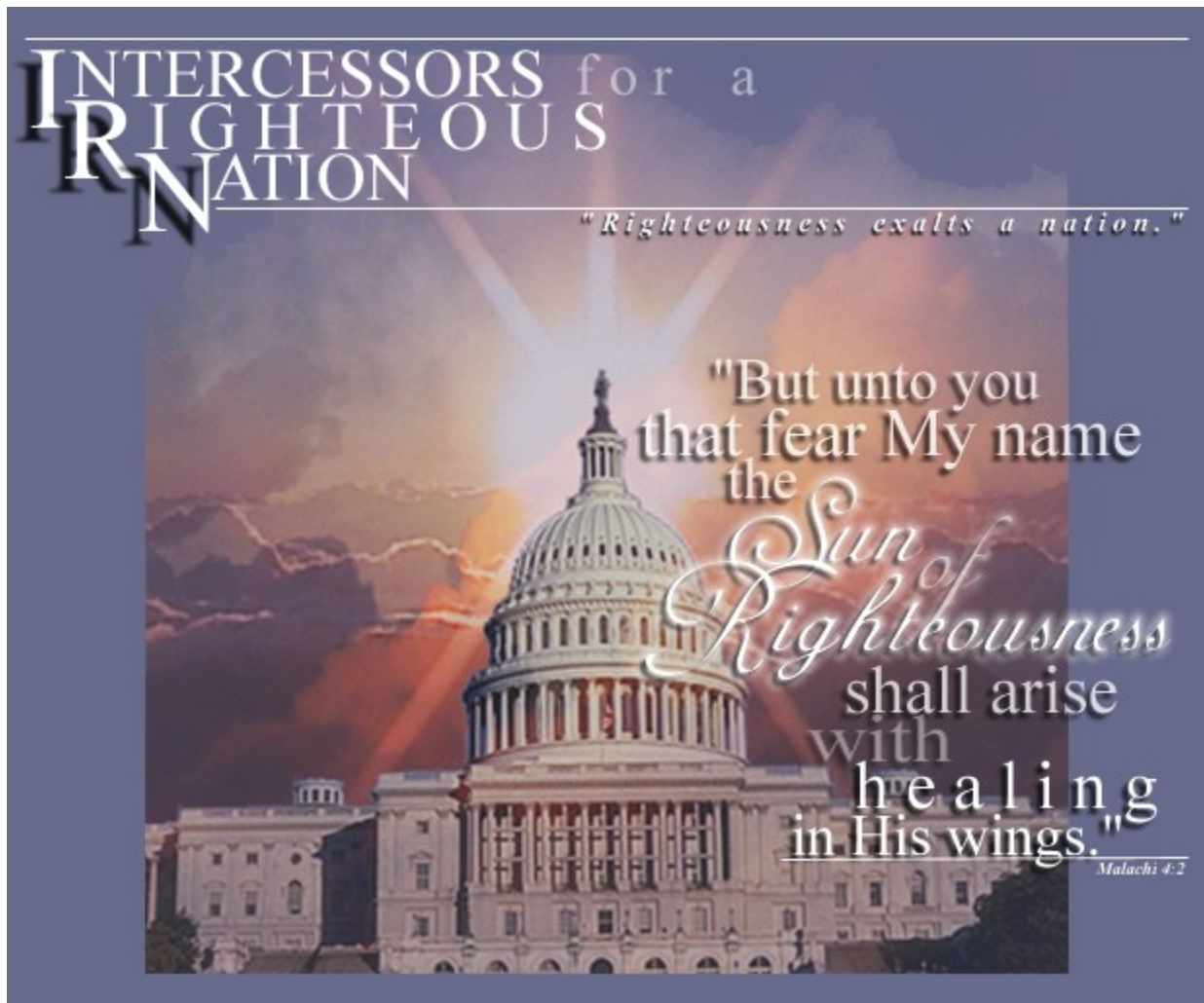


# SCRIPTURE PRAYERS FOR ALCOHOLICS

*"Seek ye out of the book of the Lord, and read;  
NO ONE OF THESE SHALL FAIL...."*

Isaiah 34:16 KJV



**INTERCESSORS FOR A RIGHTEOUS NATION**

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*“Thus says the Lord, In an acceptable and favorable time I have heard and answered you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you: and I will preserve you and give you for a covenant to the people to raise up and establish the land [from its present state of ruin] and to apportion and cause them to inherit the desolate [moral wastes of heathenism, their] heritages, saying to those who are bound, Come forth, and to those who are in [spiritual] darkness, Show yourselves [come into the light of the SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS].” Isaiah 49:8-9.*

Dear Intercessor:

A monumental problem facing the world today is alcoholism. According to statistics, over NINETY PERCENT of the world’s children have indulged in some form of alcohol before the age of THIRTEEN. World leaders are crying out for something to be done about our ever-increasing dilemma.

I have GOOD NEWS for you! Something has ALREADY been done, which will eliminate the ROOT CAUSE of the problem instead of only dealing with the SYMPTOMS! Two thousand years ago, Jesus Christ TRIUMPHED over EVERY ENEMY at Calvary. ALCOHOL is NO EXCEPTION. He was given a Name, which is above EVERY name. ALCOHOLISM is JUST a NAME. As we launch, through prayer, one of the weapons that God has given us, which is His Word, we are enforcing the FINISHED work of Calvary. We will find, as we PERSIST in prayer, alcohol, too, MUST ultimately yield to that Name.

This issue came about as the result of two years of prayer with a dear friend by the name of Peggy Potts, who desired to see her husband set free from almost FORTY YEARS of ALCOHOLISM. Scripture Prayers for Alcoholics is compiled from the original scriptures that we prayed over him. You will see from these scriptures that the Lord has given us some powerful artillery to completely immobilize the enemy and set the captives free.

The remainder of this introduction is her husband’s testimony of the Lord’s miraculous power to heal, deliver him from this all-consuming sickness, and bring him into total freedom in Christ Jesus.

## LARRY POTTS' TESTIMONY

“As I have often viewed television commercials and movies regarding alcoholism, I have had the impression that as a part of the rehabilitation process, one is to introduce himself by giving his name, followed by the statement, “...and I AM an alcoholic.” However, because of the marvelous and infinite saving power and grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, which was extended toward me, I am able to introduce myself by saying, “My name is Larry Potts, and I WAS an alcoholic.

I was raised in an environment where alcohol was a part of our everyday lifestyle. My grandparents, my parents, my aunts and uncles and all of their friends were users. I started drinking in high school, because alcohol was so easily accessible in my home.

Alcohol was directly responsible for many unhappy and even tragic events in my early life. I experienced such things as mental, verbal and physical abuse. I witnessed divorce, suicide, premature and accidental death, as well as financial loss. These were just a few of the areas where alcohol robbed us of God's best. Although I was a drinker myself, I hated what alcohol was doing to my family and loved ones. I determined within myself that I would never be like them. **I was confident that I could handle it.**

Except for a few brief periods when alcohol was totally inaccessible, I drank EVERY DAY from the age of fifteen. By the time I was forty years old, I consumed a fifth of Scotch per night. Because I NEVER drank on the job or during the day, and I ALWAYS fulfilled my obligations at work, I didn't think I had a problem. My strong personality and confidence in meeting the public always concealed and compensated for my problem. I was what I would call a functioning alcoholic.

Ten years ago, I met my wife, Peggy, in a singles bar, She, too, was a heavy drinker at that time, although neither of us realized we had a problem. She soon became my closest drinking buddy. Within a year, however, without me fully realizing it, the Lord began to reveal Himself to her. After receiving the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, the Lord started to take away her desire for alcohol. Her tolerance level quickly decreased to the point where one glass of wine would cause her to slur her words. What once brought such satisfaction soon began to taste like vinegar in her mouth. On December 31, 1983 she forced down her last drink just to please me, and then said, ‘This will be the last time I ever drink.’ Needless to say, this was a devastating time for me, because I had lost my drinking partner, and I had NO DESIRE to quit drinking myself. There is no worse plight for an alcoholic to endure than having to live with a REFORMED alcoholic.

As time progressed, I began to feel so guilty that I decided to change from drinking Scotch to drinking wine, reasoning that everyone in the BIBLE drank wine, even JESUS! The only problem was, that THEY probably only occasionally had a glass, whereas I consumed FOUR GALLONS a week! My system had to reach a certain alcohol level before I was satisfied, so I just drank MORE WINE than I would have had to drink of Scotch until that same level was

achieved. I was determined I was going to defend and sustain my habit at any cost. During this time, Peggy never once gave me an ultimatum. **Had she forced me to choose between her and alcohol, I would have chosen alcohol. It was only her UNCONDITIONAL LOVE and PRAYER for me THAT brought me through .**

In 1982 I became employed by a Spirit-filled Christian man by the name of Harry Thomas. At that time, I not only had no concept of what it meant to be 'Spirit-filled', but I was extremely antagonistic to the changes I had observed in Peggy's life. Although Harry knew that I had a drinking problem, he never condemned me. His total acceptance of and prayer for me eventually led me to begin attending his church. About four months later, I accepted Jesus as my Saviour and was baptized in the Holy Spirit. However, on that night, I left the church with Peggy and asked her to drive, so that I could pour myself a cup of wine in the car. I only recently discovered what an incredible disappointment this was for her. She was completely devastated. She just knew that I would be instantly set free as soon as I became a Christian. She had read many testimonies of people who had been delivered of alcoholism at the point of conversion and assumed that God would do the same for me. Harry's wife, Rita, and another friend, Betty, were the sources God used to encourage Peggy back to a point of faith for me.

In 1985, I was offered a job and we moved to a DRY COUNTY! However, where there is a will, there is a way! The nearest liquor store was only thirty minutes away. I just had to do a little more planning ahead. My job kept me thirteen hours a day, and Sunday was my only day off. This was a wonderful excuse to stop going to church, but Peggy was steadily growing stronger in her Christian life. She found a wonderful church home and made many new friends, two of whom were Dwight and Ann Kramer. Dwight was a dentist in this city and Peggy began to work for him in 1986. It was there that she began to develop a friendship with Ann. Having only met me once, Ann was unaware that I had a drinking problem. However, she had a dream about me, which she shared with Peggy. In the dream she saw me staggering out of a bar, and she turned to me and said, 'Spirit of Alcohol, come out of him in Jesus' Name!' I INSTANTLY came to my senses—completely sober. The next scene in the dream she and I were walking arm in arm down a path laughing and talking together, and I said to her, 'Thank you, that's exactly what I needed to go on with the Lord.' (I was not told about this dream until the Lord had delivered me from alcoholism.) It was obvious that Ann's knowledge of my problem had to come from the Lord, which gave Peggy new hope in the assurance that God not only saw the situation, but He had heard her prayers, and the outcome was going to be VICTORY!

Peggy and Ann began to pray and fast regularly for me. The Lord gave them the enclosed scripture prayers to pray over me. Every jug of wine which came into my home was anointed with oil and prayed over using Joel 1:5, which they formed into the following prayer: 'Thank You, Father, that wine has been CUT OFF from Larry's mouth.' Little did I know that all of this was going on. If I had been aware, I would have put a stop to it. **(It is so important to let your prayers be IN SECRET when you are praying for an alcoholic).** In August of 1987, they were interceding, as usual, over my wine bottles, when a 'spirit of laughter' came upon them. They laughed for nearly an hour, at which time the Lord spoke Psalm 2:2-4 (KJV) to their hearts:

*‘The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. HE THAT SITTETH IN THE HEAVENS SHALL LAUGH: the Lord shall have them in derision.’*

From this time on, they began to rejoice over the answer. They continued to pray the Word and praise the Lord, even though NOTHING HAD CHANGED in the natural. In fact, the circumstances WORSENERD.

On December 31, 1988, (exactly five years to the day from the time that Peggy quit drinking), for no apparent reason, while having my nightly drink, I suddenly became sick at my stomach. I couldn't even finish the drink that I had in my hand. (Little did I know, one of the scriptures that Peggy and Ann were praying over me was, ‘Thank You, Father, that Larry has made himself SICK from the heat of wine.’) (Hosea 7:5). I remained sick for the next five days, thinking that I had a virus. Even the smell of alcohol was repulsive to me. When I realized I had gone five days without having anything to drink, I told the Lord that I had the will and the desire to stop drinking and asked Him if He would help me not to have any withdrawal symptoms. I began to keep a calendar crossing off one day at a time. The days led to weeks and the weeks to months. I had absolutely NO ADVERSE EFFECTS.

I was very proud of myself for this accomplishment, and thought that I would never have to tell anyone that I had been an alcoholic. But, God had other designs. The Holy Spirit kept prompting me to openly share my testimony, so that HE would receive the glory. It was not until I began to publicly relate what God had done for me, that Peggy and Ann told me of all the prayer that had preceded my deliverance. When I saw MY NAME in print on the scripture prayers that had been prayed over me for two years, I was humbled by the incredible love that God had for me personally and overwhelmed with gratitude that Peggy and her friend cared so much me, as to devote themselves to unselfish prayer without wavering until TOTAL VICTORY was MINE.

My favorite scripture which was prayed over me and has become a daily reality in my life is I Thessalonians 5:6-8:

*‘Thank you, Father, that I do not sleep, but I keep wide awake, alert, watchful, cautious and on my guard. I am SOBER, calm, collected and circumspect. For those who sleep, sleep at night and those who got drunk get drunk at night, BUT I belong to the DAY, therefore, I am SOBER, and I have put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation.’*

## SCRIPTURE PRAYERS FOR ALCOHOLICS

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ does not even look at wine when it is red, when it sparkles in the wineglass, when it goes down smoothly. (Proverbs 23:31).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ does not EVER get drunk with wine, but (he, she) is EVER being filled and stimulated with the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18).

Thank You, Father, that You are drawing \_\_\_\_\_ unto Yourself, and (he, she) is RUNNING after You. You are giving (him, her) the revelation that to be favored with YOUR LOVE is BETTER than WINE. (Song of Solomon 1:2, 4).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is coming out from among unbelievers and separating and severing (himself, herself) from them. (He, She) does not touch ANY UNCLEAN THING. (II Corinthians 6:17)

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ does NOT walk and live in the counsel of the ungodly, following their advice, plans and purposes, nor does (he, she) stand, submissive and inactive, in the path where sinners walk, nor does (he, she) sit down to relax and rest where the scornful and the mockers gather, but (his, her) DELIGHT and DESIRE is in Your law, and on Your law (he, she) habitually meditates, ponders and studies by day and night. (He, She) is like a tree firmly planted and tended by the streams of water, ready to bring forth (his, her) fruit in its season; (his, her) leaves also shall not fade or wither, and EVERYTHING (he, she) does prospers and comes to maturity. (Psalm 1:1-3).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has been delivered from corrupt and evil companions. (He, she) walks as a companion of the wise, and therefore, (he, she) is wise. (I Corinthians 15:33; Proverbs 13:20).

Father, I declare that when sinners entice \_\_\_\_\_, (he, she) DOES NOT CONSENT. (He, She) WILL NOT associate with the rebellious or disobedient, but (he, she) tries to learn in (his, her) experience what is pleasing to You. (His, Her) life is a CONSTANT PROOF of what is most acceptable to You. (He, She) takes NO PART in and has NO FELLOWSHIP with the fruitless deeds and enterprises of darkness, but INSTEAD, (he, she) lets (his, her) life be so in contrast as to expose, reprove and convict those in darkness. (Proverbs 1:10; Ephesians 5:6b-7, 10-11).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ KNOWS what a CRITICAL HOUR this is, and how it is HIGH TIME NOW for (him, her) to wake up out of (his, her) sleep and rouse to reality. The night is far-gone and the day is almost here. Therefore, (he, she) is dropping and flinging away the works and deeds of darkness and putting on the full armor of light. (He, She) is living and conducting (himself, herself) honorably and becomingly as in the open light of day NOT in REVELING, CAROUSING and DRUNKENNESS, NOT in IMMORALITY and DEBAUCHERY, SENSUALITY and LICENTIOUSNESS, NOT in QUARRELING and

JEALOUSY, but (he, she) is clothing (himself, herself) with the Lord Jesus Christ, and MAKING NO PROVISION for INDULGING the FLESH. (He, She) is putting a STOP to THINKING about the EVIL CRAVINGS of (his, her) physical nature to gratify its desires and lusts. (Romans 13:11-14).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has stopped pleasing (himself, herself) and the world, and pleases YOU. (He, She) no longer spends the rest of (his, her) natural life living by (his, her) human appetites and desires, but (he, she) lives for what YOU WILL. The TIME IS PAST for living in shameless, insolent wantonness, in lustful desires, DRUNKENNESS, reveling, DRINKING BOUTS and abominable, lawless idolatries. The WORLD LOOKS ON ASTONISHED that (he, she) NO LONGER runs hand in hand with them in the same excesses of dissipation. (I Peter 4:1b-4a).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ does not sleep, but (he, she) keeps wide awake, alert, watchful, cautious and on (his, her) guard. (He, She) is SOBER, calm, collected and circumspect. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who GET DRUNK get drunk at night, BUT \_\_\_\_\_ belongs to the DAY; therefore, (he, she) is SOBER, and (he, she) has put on the breastplate of faith and love and for a helmet the hope of salvation. (I Thessalonians 5:6-8).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ walks and lives habitually in the Holy Spirit—responsive to, controlled and guided by the Spirit. Therefore, (he, she) certainly does NOT gratify the cravings and desires of the flesh; such as immorality, impurity, indecency, idolatry, SORCERY, (MIND-ALTERING DRUGS), enmity, strife, jealousy, anger, ill-temper, selfishness, and the like. But (he, she) is filled with the fruit of the Holy Spirit, which is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, gentleness and SELF-CONTROL. (He, She) is walking by the Spirit of God, GOING FORWARD walking in line, (his, her) conduct CONTROLLED by the Holy Spirit. (Galatians 5:16; 19-23, 25).

Hosea 4:11 says, *“Harlotry and wine and new wine TAKE AWAY the HEART and the MIND and the SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING.”*

Therefore, I have compiled the following scripture prayers to restore the HEART, MIND and SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING, which have been stolen by alcohol.

Father, I declare that because \_\_\_\_\_ has been delivered from wine, You have taken away (his, her) stony, unnaturally hardened HEART, and You have given (him, her) a new heart sensitive and responsive to the touch of (his, her) God. (Ezekiel 11:19).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is being granted a spirit of wisdom and revelation—of insight into mysteries and secrets—in the deep and intimate knowledge of You, by having the eyes of (his, her) HEART flooded with light, so that (he, she) can know and understand the hope to which You have called (him, her) and how rich is Your glorious inheritance in the saints, and so that (he, she) can know and understand what is the immeasurable

and unlimited and surpassing greatness of Your power in and for (him, her). (Ephesians 1:17-19).

Thank You, Father, that You have circumcised \_\_\_\_\_'s HEART and the heart of (his, her) descendants, to love You with all (his, her) MIND and HEART and all (his, her) being that (he, she) may LIVE. (Deuteronomy 30:6).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ holds fast to (his, her) uprightness and right standing with You. (His, Her) HEART does not reproach (him, her) ANY of (his, her) days, and it shall not reproach (him, her) as long as (he, she) lives. (Job 27:6).

Thank You, Father, that You have put MORE JOY and rejoicing in \_\_\_\_\_'s HEART than (he, she) knows when (his, her) wheat and NEW WINE have yielded abundantly. (Psalm 4:7).

Thank You, Father, that the NEW WINE of the HOLY SPIRIT that You have given has gladdened (his, her) HEART. (Psalm 104:15a).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ takes heed to (himself, herself) and (he, she) is on (his, her) guard so that (his, her) HEART does not become overburdened, depressed, or weighed down with the giddiness, headache and nausea of self-indulgence, DRUNKENNESS and worldly worries and carries and cares pertaining to the business of this life. (Luke 21:34a).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is not conformed to this world, fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs. But (he, she) is transformed by the entire renewal of (his, her) MIND, by its new ideals and its new attitude, so that (he, she) is proving for (himself, herself) what is Your good, acceptable and perfect will, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect in Your sight for (him, her). (Romans 12:2).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has the MIND of Christ. (He, She) holds the thoughts, feelings and purposes of Your heart. (I Corinthians 2:16b).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is awaking from (his, her) DRUNKEN STUPOR and returning to SOBER SENSE and (his, her) RIGHT MIND and (he, she) is sinning no more. (I Corinthians 5:34).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is constantly being renewed in the spirit of (his, her) MIND—having a fresh mental and spiritual attitude, and (he, she) is putting on the new nature created in Your image in true righteousness and holiness. (Ephesians 4:23-24).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is letting the SAME MIND be in (him, her) which was in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 2:5).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is setting (his, her) MIND and keeping it set on what is above—the higher things—NOT on the things that are on the earth. (Colossians 3:2).

Thank You, Father, that You are sanctifying \_\_\_\_\_ through and through, and separating (him, her) from PROFANE THINGS and making (him, her) PURE and wholly consecrated to You. You are preserving (his, her) spirit, soul (MIND, will and emotions), and body—sound, complete and blameless—until the coming of the Lord. (I Thessalonians 5:23).

Thank You, Father, that You have not given \_\_\_\_\_ a spirit of fear; but instead, You have given (him, her) a spirit of power, and love and a SOUND, CALM, WELL-BALANCED MIND. (II Timothy 1:7).

Father, I declare that because \_\_\_\_\_ chooses to think of You, (he, she) is not growing weary or exhausted, losing HEART, relaxing or fainting in (his, her) MIND. (Hebrews 12:3).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is bracing up (his, her) MIND. (He, She) is SOBER, circumspect and alert. (He, She) is setting (his, her) hope wholly and unchangeably on Your grace. (I Peter 1:13).

Father, I declare that because \_\_\_\_\_ has been delivered from wine, You have given (him, her) a greater SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING; and therefore, (he, she) looks carefully to how (he, she) walks. (He, She) lives purposefully and worthily and accurately as a sensible, intelligent (man, woman) of God, making the very most of the time and buying up each opportunity. (He, She) is not vague, thoughtless or foolish, but (he, she) understands and firmly grasps what Your will is. (Ephesians 5:15-17).

Father, I declare that because \_\_\_\_\_ is delivered from wine, (he, she) is filled with the full, deep and clear knowledge of Your will in all SPIRITUAL, WISDOM; in comprehensive insight into Your ways and purposes and in UNDERSTANDING and discernment of spiritual things. Therefore, (he, she) is walking, living and conducting (himself, herself) in a manner worthy of You, fully pleasing to You and desiring to please You in ALL things, bearing fruit in every good work and steadily growing and increasing in and by the knowledge of You. (Colossians 1:9-10).

*Isaiah 28:7 says, “But even these reel with wine and STAGGER with strong drink: the priest and the prophet reel with strong drink, they are CONFUSED with wine, they stagger and are GONE ASTRAY through strong drink; they ERR IN VISION, they STUMBLE in PRONOUNCING JUDGMENT.”*

Therefore, the following scripture prayers deal with STAGGERING, CONFUSION, GOING ASTRAY, ERRING IN VISION, and STUMBLING in PRONOUNCING JUDGMENT, which strong drink has caused.

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ no longer STAGGERS, because in (his, her) staggering, all (his, her) wisdom has come to nothing, and (he, she) has cried out to You in (his, her) trouble, and You have brought (him, her) out of (his, her) distresses. You have hushed the storm to a calm and to a gentle whisper, so that the waves of the sea are still. (He, She) is rejoicing because of the calm, and You have brought (him, her) (his, her) desired haven. (Psalm 7:27-30).

Father, I declare that for \_\_\_\_\_'s former shame, (he, she) has a twofold recompense; instead of CONFUSION, dishonor and reproach, (he, she) is rejoicing in (his, her) portion; therefore, in (his, her) land (he, she) is possessing DOUBLE what (he, she) forfeited to alcohol; everlasting JOY is (his, hers). (Isaiah 61:7).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ puts (his, her) trust and confidently takes refuge in You. (He, She) shall NEVER be put to shame or CONFUSION. (Psalm 71:1).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is no longer CONFUSED with wine because You are not a God of CONFUSION and disorder, but You are a God of PEACE and ORDER to (him, her). (His, Her) adversaries are clothed with shame and dishonor, and they are covering themselves with their OWN disgrace and CONFUSION, as with a robe. (I Corinthians 14:33; Psalm 109:29).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is no longer GOING ASTRAY with wine, because You have left the ninety and nine to seek after (him, her). (Matthew 18:12-14).

Father, I declare that before \_\_\_\_\_ was afflicted (he, she) WENT ASTRAY, but NOW Your Word (he, she) keeps, hearing receiving, loving and obeying it. (Psalm 119:67).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ no more GOES ASTRAY from You, neither does (he, she) defile (himself, herself) any more with all (his, her) transgressions, but (he, she) is Your child, and You are (his, her) God. (Ezekiel 14:11).

Thank You, Father, that \_\_\_\_\_ was GOING ASTRAY like so many sheep, BUT NOW (he, she) has come back to You, the Shepherd and Guardian of (his, her) soul. (I Peter 2:25).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ no longer ERRS in spirit, or murmurs discontentedly, but (he, she) is coming to understanding and accepting instruction. (Isaiah 29:24).

Thank You, Father, that You have given \_\_\_\_\_ a highway on which to walk that is called The Holy Way; the unclean shall not pass over it, but it shall be for the redeemed. (HE, SHE) SHALL NOT ERR IN IT and lose (his, her) way. (Isaiah 35:8).

Thank You, Father, that You are teaching \_\_\_\_\_ to hold (his, her) peace and causing (him, her) to understand wherein (he, she) has ERRED. (Job 6:24).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ no longer STUMBLES IN PRONOUNCING JUDGMENT, because (his, her) love is abounding yet more and more and extending to its fullest development in knowledge and all keen insight, so that (he, she) is learning to sense what is vital, and approve and prize what is excellent and of real value—recognizing the highest and the best, and distinguishing the moral differences. (He, She) is untainted, pure, UNERRING and blameless. (He, She) is approaching the day of Christ, NOT STUMBLING nor causing OTHERS to STUMBLE. (He, She) is abounding in and being filled with the fruits of righteousness to Your honor and praise. Your glory is being both manifested and recognized in (him, her). (Philippians 2:9:11).

Thank You, Father, that Your Spirit rests upon \_\_\_\_\_; the spirit of wisdom and UNDERSTANDING, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the reverential and obedient fear of the Lord. You are making (him, her) of QUICK UNDERSTANDING, and (his, her) delight is in the reverential and obedient fear of the Lord. (He, She) does not judge by the sight of (his, her) eyes, neither does (he, she) decide by the hearing of (his, her) ears, but (he, she) judges with righteous judgment. (Isaiah 11:2-4a).

*Proverbs 23:29-30, 32-33 says, “Who has WOE? Who has SORROW? Who has STRIFE? Who has COMPLAINING? Who has WOUNDS WITHOUT A CAUSE? Who has REDNESS and DIMNESS of EYES? Those who tarry long at the wine, they who go to seek and try mixed wine. At the last it bites like a serpent, and stings like an adder. Under the influence of wine YOUR EYES will BEHOLD STRANGE THINGS and LOOSE WOMEN, and YOUR MIND will UTTER THINGS TURNED the WRONG WAY, UNTRUE, INCORRECT and PETULANT (RUDE, PROUD and HAUGHTY).”*

As you can see from the capitalized words in the preceding passage of scripture, alcohol is responsible for many more woes. The following scripture prayers deal with each of these.

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ no longer has WOE, SORROW or MISERY because (he, she) is returning to You with singing. Everlasting JOY is upon (his, her) head. (He, She) has obtained JOY and GLADNESS. SORROW and SIGHING have VANISHED. (Isaiah 51:11).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ no longer has SORROW or WOE because (he, she) has become like a mighty warrior, and (his, her) heart rejoices with the WINE of the HOLY SPIRIT; yes, (his, her) children see it and rejoice; their hearts feel great delight and glory triumphantly in You. (Zechariah 10:7).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has forgotten (his, her) MISERY. (He, She) remembers it as waters that pass away. (His, Her) life is clearer than the noonday, and (he, she) rises above (his, her) FORMER MISERY. (His, Her) life is as the morning. (He, She) is secure and feels confident because there is HOPE; yes, (he, she) searches about (him, her), and (he, she)

takes (his, her) rest in safety. (He, She) lies down and none make (him, her) afraid, yes, many sue for (his, her) favor and come to (him, her) looking for help. (Job 11:16-19).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has no STRIFE, because You have delivered (him, her) from STRIFE with (his, her) people. (II Samuel 22:44).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has no STRIFE, because ALL those who stir up STRIFE against (him, her) are failing away TO (him, her). ALL those who are enraged and inflamed against (him, her) are being put to shame and confounded; they who STRIVE against (him, her) are as NOTHING and are perishing. (He, She) shall seek for those who contend with (him, her) and shall not find them; they who war against (him, her) are as NOTHING—NOTHING AT ALL. (Isaiah 54:15; 41:11-14).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has no COMPLAINING, because (he, she) does ALL things without GRUMBLING, FAULTFINDING and COMPLAINING against You. (He, She) does not question or doubt within (himself, herself). (Philippians 2:14).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has no WOUNDS, because You are binding up (his, her) hurts and healing the WOUNDS inflicted upon (him, her) because of (his, her) sins. (Isaiah 30:26).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has no DIMNESS of EYE, because Your commandments are pure and bright, ENLIGHTENING (his, her) EYES. (His, Her) EYES are NOT CLOSED or DIM and (his, her) EARS are LISTENING. (His, Her) MIND UNDERSTANDS knowledge and has GOOD JUDGMENT, and (his, her) STAMMERING TONGUE speaks readily and plainly. (Psalm 19:8; Isaiah 32:3-4).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_'s EYES do NOT behold STRANGE THINGS and LOOSE (WOMEN, MEN), because You have given (him, her) dove's eyes\*. (He, She) has dictated a covenant to (his, her) EYES not to look lustfully upon a (woman, man). You, Lord, have opened (his, her) eyes to behold WONDROUS THINGS out of Your law. (He, She) sets no BASE or WICKED THING before (his, her) EYES. (He, She) hates the work of them who turn aside from the right path; IT SHALL NOT GRASP HOLD OF (HIM, HER). A perverse heart has departed from (him, her). (He, She) knows no evil person or thing. (Song of Solomon 5:12; Job 31:1; Psalm 119:18; Psalm 101:3-4).

\*(NOTE: A dove only has one mate for a lifetime, and can only train its eyes on one object at a time).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ speaks excellent and princely things and the opening of (his, her) lips are for right things. (His, Her) mouth utters TRUTH. All of the words of (his, her) mouth are righteous. There is NOTHING contrary to the TRUTH or crooked in them. (Proverbs, 8:6-8).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has chosen the way of TRUTH and FAITHFULNESS, (He, She) has set Your ordinances before (him, her). (He, She) knows the TRUTH, and the TRUTH is setting (him, her) free. (His, Her) life lovingly expresses TRUTH in ALL things—speaking truly, dealing truly and living truly. (Psalm 119:30; John 8:32; John 17:17; Ephesians 4:15).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ lets no FOUL or POLLUTING LANGUAGE, nor EVIL WORD, nor UNWHOLESOME or WORTHLESS TALK ever come out of (his, her) mouth; but only such speech as is good and beneficial to the spiritual progress of others, as is fitting to the need and the occasion, that it may be a blessing and give grace to those who hear it. (He, She) lets all bitterness, and indignation, wrath, passion, rage, bad temper, resentment, anger, animosity, quarreling, brawling, clamor, contention, slander, evil-speaking, abusive or blasphemous language be banished from (him, her), with all malice, spite, ill will or baseness of any kind. (He, She) has become useful, helpful and kind; tender-hearted, compassionate, understanding, loving hearted, forgiving readily and freely as You in Christ forgave (him, her). (He, She) clothes (himself, herself) by putting on behavior marked by tenderhearted pity and mercy, kind feeling, a lowly opinion of (himself, herself), gentle ways and patience. (He, She) has the power to endure whatever comes with good temper. (He, She) is humbling (himself, herself) before You and You are exalting (him, her) and making (his, her) life significant. (Ephesians 4:29-32; Colossians 3:12; James 4:10).

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ is drawing near to You, and therefore, You are drawing near to (him, her). (He, She) has repented and escaped out of the snare of the devil who has held (him, her) captive, henceforth to do Your will. (James 4:8; II Timothy 2:25-26).

Joel 1:5 says, *“Awake, you drunkards and weep, wail, all you drinkers of wine, because of the sweet fruit juice, for it is cut off from your mouth.”*

Because of Joel 1:5, I can boldly say, that wine (and all forms of alcohol) has been CUT OFF from \_\_\_\_\_’s mouth!

Father, I declare that \_\_\_\_\_ has made (himself, herself) SICK with the heat of wine. (Hosea 7:5).

Proverbs 23:21 says, *“For the DRUNKARD and the glutton shall come to POVERTY.”*

Proverbs 21:17 says, *“He who loves pleasure will be a poor man; he who LOVES WINE and oil will NOT be RICH.”*

Father, I declare that because \_\_\_\_\_ has been delivered from alcohol, POVERTY has no more hold on (him, her). You are making (him, her) to have a surplus of prosperity. You are opening to (him, her) Your good treasury, to bless ALL the work of (his, her) hands. (He, She) shall lend to many nations and shall not borrow. You have made (him,

her) the head and not the tail. (He, She) is above only, and not beneath. (Deuteronomy 28:11-13).

Proverbs 6:30-31 says, *“Men do not despise a thief, if he steals to satisfy himself when he is hungry;”*

*“But IF HE IS FOUND OUT, he must RESTORE SEVEN TIMES [what he stole]; he must give the whole substance of his house (IF necessary to meet his fine)....”*

I stand as a priest and remit \_\_\_\_\_’s sins and the sins of any ancestors that would have perpetuated alcoholism in (his, her) family, and ask You Father, not to lay any of those sins to (his, her) charge. I now apply the crucified flesh and blood of Jesus, Who became a curse for \_\_\_\_\_, and I declare an end to all related curses. Therefore, SPIRIT OF ALCOHOL, you no longer have a legal right to remain in (his, her) life. You have been found out! According to Proverbs 6:30-31, you must restore SEVEN TIMES (in quality and/or quantity) what you have stolen in MONEY, POSSESSIONS, TIME, PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH, CALLING, CAREER, MARRIAGE, CHILDREN, FRIENDS or ANY OTHER WAY from \_\_\_\_\_ AND (his, her) FAMILY, either directly or indirectly, as the result of alcohol in (his, her) life, IN THE MIGHTY NAME OF JESUS!

**NOTE:** When constructing a building, a scaffold is often needed to aid in the process of completion. However, when the building is finished, the scaffold is no longer needed. These scripture prayers are merely a scaffold. They are not the building itself. They are designed to assist us in building the Word of God into our hearts, and teach us how to pray the Word in any given situation. The more the Word of God is deposited within us, the more spontaneous our prayers will become, as the Holy Spirit brings to our remembrance specific scriptures which apply to the area upon which we are focusing. Once we have the mentality of praying the Word, we will find that as we are reading the Word, many other scriptures will begin to “come alive” for the purpose of prayer.

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