

Prayers
in Time
of
Peril

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Prayers

In

Times of Peril

*To be used by service
people when they cross
the sea, and after
reaching the field of
battle.*

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Upon Embarkation

O BLESSED Lord Jesus, Who with Thy disciples in days of old didst sail the waters of Galilee, embark with us today, we beseech Thee, as we set our course toward distant lands. Defend us from every peril that may threaten us, and restrain the hand of evil men when they seek to destroy us. Make us to remember that Thou art standing watch over us, and give us the assurance that no evil can come upon those who trust wholly in Thee. We ask it in Thy Name, O blessed Saviour. Amen.

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When Under Attack at Sea

ALMIGHTY GOD, be Thou our Refuge and strength, and grant us Thy help in this hour of peril. Protect our ship and the other ships in this convoy; and forbid that those who threaten us shall prevail against us. Thou, O Lord, art just and powerful: O defend our cause against the face of the enemy. O God, Thou art a strong tower of defence to all that flee unto Thee: O save us from the violence of the enemy. Remember not our sins, and look not upon our many transgressions. O Lord, arise and help us, and deliver us for Thy Name's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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During a Storm at Sea

O GRACIOUS Lord God, Who beholdest us and knowest our needs: protect us, we beseech Thee, from the fury of the sea. Save, Lord, or else we perish. O blessed Saviour, rebuke the raging wind and the angry sea; that, delivered from the deep, we may be spared to serve Thee, and to glorify Thy Name. Hear and save us Lord, through the merits of our blessed Saviour, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Thanksgiving for Deliverance

Read Psalm 66, or 107, or 124 or 136.

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After a Storm at Sea

ETERNAL LORD GOD, Thou hast shown us the wonders of the angry sea in order that we may know that Thou rulest all things. As the winds and the waves obey Thy will, grant that we too may learn, from the perils that threaten us, to hear Thy voice and to do that which Thou wouldst have us do. Forgive us wherein we have sinned, and help us to trust in the merits of Thy dear Son, even Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

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After an Attack at Sea

WE THANK THEE, gracious Lord God, that Thou hast delivered us from the perils that threaten us. Make us as truly grateful for Thy mercy as we were sensible of the dangers that threatened us; and grant that we may show our thankfulness not only by our words, but in an increased trustfulness in the saving help of Thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and in His blood and righteousness. Watch over us through night and day, and give us grace to be ever mindful of Thy protecting care; through the same, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Burial at Sea

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God in His good providence to take out of this world the soul of our brother here departed, we therefore commit his body to the deep, and to corruption, in the hope of the glorious resurrection of the body, when the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall arise, and when the sea shall give up her dead incorruptible to the life of the world to come; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall change our vile body that it may be like His glorious body, according to the mighty working whereby He is able to subdue all things to Himself. In the Name of the Father (✠), and of the Son (✠), and of the Holy Ghost (✠). Amen.

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Before Battle

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In this hour of peril, Lord God, help me to remember that Thou hast always led Thy children through the valley of the shadow of death. Send Thy guardian angel to lead me safely on this my path of duty, and give me strength to do my task fearlessly, trusting alone in Thee, who maketh all things to work together for good to those who love Thee. Grant me grace to remain in true faith until the day when I shall enter my eternal Home.
Amen.

ETERNAL LORD, GOD, I confess unto Thee that I am sinful and unclean, and unworthy of the least of Thy mercies. I acknowledge and abhor my manifold sins and wickedness, Which I grievously have committed from time to time by thought, word and deed against Thy divine majesty; provoking most justly Thy wrath and indignation against me. Have mercy upon me, O Lord, and for the sake of the perfect righteousness of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ, and His suffering and death on the cross, forgive me all that I have done against Thee. May it please Thee to spare me in this hour of peril, and forbid that any harm shall overtake me. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.





To be said During Battle

Lord, be merciful to me a sinner, and save me for Thy mercy's sake.

My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: He shall preserve thy soul.

Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: I flee unto Thee to hide me.



After a Battle

LORD GOD, Heavenly Father, I thank Thee that Thou hast dealt graciously with me, and though many have fallen, yet Thou hast protected me and spared me. I confess that I am not worthy of the least of Thy mercies, yet Thou, O Lord, hast delivered me. Continue Thy protection, I beseech Thee O Lord, and may it please Thee to grant me all those blessings that Thou seest that I need; through Jesus Christ Thy dear Son our Lord. Amen.



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After a Victory

THE LORD hath wrought a mighty salvation for us.

We got not this by our own sword, neither was it our own arm that saved us: but Thy right hand, and Thine arm, and the light of Thy countenance, because Thou hadst a favour unto us.

The Lord hath appeared for us: the Lord hath covered our heads, and made us to stand in the day of battle.

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A War Prisoner's Prayer

GRANT THY GRACE, O Merciful Lord God, both to me and to my comrades, that we may never cease to trust in Thee, Who alone art able to help us. Give us courageous hearts and a patient spirit, and hasten the day when we may see our homes and our native land once more. Help us to remember at all times that Jesus Christ our Saviour has kept the Law for us, and has done all things needful for our salvation, and has died on the cross to redeem us; and give us grace to trust fully in His blood and righteousness; through the same, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

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Before Flight

Lord God, my ever present help in trouble, abide with me through the perils of this flight. Thou hast always leant a watchful eye of love upon me. Thou art the bearer of my sins, my only Helper, my Saviour, and my God. Strengthen me in my hour of trouble, O Lord.
Amen.

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For One's Comrades

GOD OF OUR FATHERS, the Protector of those who trust in Thee, we commend to Thy keeping ourselves and all our comrades in arms, especially those whose duty calls them to cross the great waters. Protect our convoy and our ship, and all those who have gone before us and those who presently shall follow us. May their lives not be wasted through the sin and folly of evil men. Enable them to cross the wartime seas with brave hearts and simple trust, and bring them safely to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Individual Petitions

Lord, be merciful to me a sinner, and save me for Thy mercy's sake.

Thou art the great God, and hast made and rulest all things: O deliver me for Thy Name's sake.

Thou art the great God to be feared above all: O save me that I may praise Thee.

In the Name of Jesus Christ my Saviour. Amen.

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