



Warfare Praying

1. It is praying in the Spirit

Ephesians 6:18

¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

2. It is praying in Jesus name

John 14:12-14

¹² Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

3. It is praying God's will in accordance with God's Word

1 John 4:14-15

¹⁴ This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

John 15:7

⁷ If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

4. It is exercising the binding and loosening authority of Jesus

Matthew 18

¹⁸ “Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.¹⁹ “Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven

5. It is prayer that rebukes the demonic and confesses God's truth based upon our identification with Christ

Ephesians 2:4-6, Ephesians 1:20-23, Colossians 2:9-15

⁴ But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵ made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. ⁶ And

God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus...

²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church...

⁹ For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, ¹⁰ and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority... ¹³ When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴ having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross

Luke 10

10 After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. ² He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field...⁹ Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' ¹⁶ "Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; but whoever rejects me rejects him who sent me."¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the

demons submit to us in your name.”¹⁸ He replied, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. ²⁰ However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

An example of warfare declaration

In name of Jesus Christ and on the basis of His shed blood on the cross, Lord I come to you in prayer. I confess that Jesus has all authority in Heaven and on earth and that He is seated at your right hand above all rule, authority, power and dominion. I agree with Scripture that Jesus came to destroy the works of the devil and that the gospel of Christ sets the captives free. I agree with Scripture that I am redeemed, justified and reconciled through Jesus Christ. I agree with Scripture that I have died with Christ, been raised up with Christ and have been seated with Christ. I am born again by the Spirit of God who has baptized me, sealed me and indwells me. Because of the authority of Jesus Christ and because His blood cleanses from all sin, I pray now in Jesus name that you would sanctify me, my family and my Church. In Jesus name I rebuke any demonic presence or influence and cover God’s people at Crossline with your holy blessing.

An example of binding and loosening

In Jesus name I loose healing, salvation, deliverance and protection over my life, my family and my Church.

I bind any demonic pride, rebellion and idolatry in all forms and confess a humble dependence on Jesus Christ and worship of Almighty God.

I bind any demonic lust, adultery and sensuality and confess that the will of God for our lives is to abstain from immorality and that we are to be holy as God is holy.

I bind any demonic anger, fear and selfishness and confess that as new people in Jesus Christ, we put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility and patience.

I bind any demonic dysfunction, criticism or division and confess that we will be diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit and speak the truth in love.

I bind fleshly and worldly religion and acknowledge that we are inadequate and can do nothing apart from abiding in Christ and living in the power of the Holy Spirit. I rebuke legalistic and man-made systems of righteousness and confess that we are saved and sanctified by grace alone through faith alone in the power of the Holy Spirit.

I bind the spiritual blindness that prevents people from seeing the light of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. I rebuke the evil one who snatches the Word of God before it can be sown in people's hearts. I proclaim salvation over those who hear the Word of God and I release the conviction and regeneration of the Spirit that will lead the lost to repentance and to being Born Again.

I loose the Word of God over my life, my family and Crossline Church; over its leaders and over its people and I pray this over those who are going to come to salvation and join our community.

Example of Scriptural Declarations

Colossians 2:9-15

⁹For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, ¹⁰and you have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. ¹¹In him you were also circumcised, in the putting off of the sinful nature, not with a circumcision done by the hands of men but with the circumcision done by Christ, ¹²having been buried with him in baptism and raised with him through your faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

I confess that salvation is in Christ alone, that He is Lord and God and that Christ has triumphed over the devil and His demons. I confess that every believer at Crossline has been set free and identified with Christ.

Psalm 103:

Praise the LORD, my soul;
 all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
² Praise the LORD, my soul,
 and forget not all his benefits—
³ who forgives all your sins
 and heals all your diseases,
⁴ who redeems your life from the pit
 and crowns you with love and compassion,
⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things
 so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

I confess the Lord's blessing over our lives. He forgives our sins and heals our diseases. He redeems our life and He crowns us with love and compassion. The Lord satisfies us with good things and He renews our youth.

John 13:34-35

³⁴"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

I confess the new commandment of Jesus Christ and proclaim His love over Crossline Church. I claim that this Body will love each other, love God and love their neighbor.

Ephesians 4:11-16

¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. ¹⁴ Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

I confess that Jesus has called us to be a unified, mature and loving Church. I confess that Jesus has given to Crossline gifted leaders to equip God's people to do works of service. I confess that every member of Crossline will use their spiritual gifts to build up the Body of Christ. I confess that Crossline will reach the unity of faith, the knowledge of the Son of God and will become a mature Body in Christ. I confess that every member will speak the truth in love, grow up into Christ and that our whole Body will be build up in love as each member does their part in serving the Body.

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

⁶ Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷ Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

I confess that Crossline is a generous Church. I confess that every member is a generous and joyful giver. I confess that every member will sow generously out of the abundance of God's generosity and blessings. I confess that every member will abound in every good work.

Matthew 16:16-19

¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸ And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

I confess that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God. I confess that Jesus will build His Church and the gates of Hade will not overcome it. In the authority of Jesus I bind Satan and His demons from this place and this congregation and I announce God's salvation, transformation and God's Kingdom miracles.

Matthew 5:14-16

⁴ "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

I confess that as believers we are the light of the world. Jesus the true light lives in us and we shine His light. I confess that every member of Crossline shines Christ's light by their good works and brings glory to God in heaven.

Acts 1:8

⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

I confess that every believer is indwelt with the Spirit of God and I pray His power over our congregation. I confess that every member is a Spirit empowered witness for Christ. I confess that in the power of the Holy Spirit, Crossline will be a contagious witness for Jesus Christ in this community and to the ends of the earth.

1 Timothy 1:3-6

³This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God, *and* one mediator also between God and men, *the* man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony *given* at the proper time.

Acts 2:47

"...And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved."

I confess that it is God's desire that all men be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth. I confess that Jesus Christ is the only way to salvation. I confess that as the gospel goes out, from Crossline Church, in the power of the Spirit, you will add to our number those who are being saved.