A prayer in times of bereavement

Dear God of all comfort,
You hold the keys of life and death, of heaven and hell. I come to You in my grief and cry out to You for help and comfort at this time of loss. Thank you for the life and friendship of [name the person who has died]. I remember how Jesus wept at the grave of His friend Lazarus, so I know You understand my pain now. Please give comfort not only to me but all those who are suffering because of the death of [name the person] who was loved by so many. Be to us like a shepherd taking us through this dark valley of the shadow of death and be near us to comfort us at this time.

I pray in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

A prayer for your nation

Dear Heavenly King and Lord of all,
I thank you for my country, its heritage and culture, its beauty and diversity. I pray for those who are in authority both nationally and locally, that they would worship and obey You and that they would govern with honesty and integrity. We pray that there would be godliness and righteousness in our land and that we would be able to live quiet and peaceable lives. We pray that injustice and violence, impunity and all that is false would be done away with.

I pray this in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

A prayer for your family

Dear Heavenly Father,
I bless you for families and for those whom I love and have known.
I pray for the elderly in my family circle (you may like to name them), that in their old age You would help them today. Keep them from cynicism and grumbling, from loneliness and frustration. Help them to trust in You, and find strength in You.
I pray for children (again, name as many as you know and love). Thank you for their joy and energy, their willingness to learn and ability to cheer. Thank you for their joy and energy, their willingness to learn and ability to cheer. Keep them from evil: evil people, evil circumstances and evil influences. Help them today to grow to trust, love and serve You with selflessness and joy.
I pray for those close to me (naming them). May they know the peace that comes from knowing God and living the life You want them to live. Unite my family that we might know joy and harmony, experiencing Your help day by day. Hear these prayers which I pray because of Jesus.
Amen.

A prayer if you know you need to get right with God

O God, thank You that You know everything there is to know about me. I want to say that I am sorry for all my sins. With Your help I want to turn from it. Thank you for Your love toward me. Thank you that Jesus came into the world, to live and then die paying the penalty of all my wrong doing. Thank you that He rose again from the dead. Right now, please forgive me. By Your Holy Spirit come to live in my life. Please become my Lord, my Saviour and my Friend... forever. Help me to follow You and become more like You.
Thank you for hearing this prayer, which I pray in the name of Jesus.
Amen.

The prayer Jesus taught His disciples to pray

“Our Father in Heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.”
Amen.

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A prayer of thanksgiving and praise
Dear God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
I worship You that You are God and that there is none like You. I praise You, Heavenly Father, for the wonder of all creation, the sun, moon and stars, as well as the sparkling life around us. Thank you for life, and for every purpose You have ever set for us.
I worship You, Lord Jesus, that even though I have sinned in thought, word and deed, You love me. I bless You that You came to earth as a baby and went willing to go to the cross and die for my sin. Thank you that You rose from the dead and are alive today.
Thank you, Father, for the Holy Spirit who is at work in our world today guiding people to all that You have done. Thank you that He lives in all who receive Your mercy and forgiveness.
For You have done for me and me to You, I praise and worship You, counting my blessings and rejoicing in your goodness. Amen.

A prayer for times of sickness or trouble
Dear God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
I worship You that You are God and that there is none like You. I praise You, Heavenly Father, for the wonder of all creation, the sun, moon and stars, as well as the sparkling life around us. Thank you for life, and for every purpose You have ever set for us.
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For You have done for me and me to You, I praise and worship You, counting my blessings and rejoicing in your goodness. Amen.

A prayer for all times
Dear All Knowing God,
Thank you for Your good times that I have enjoyed, including the joys and health that have been mine I know that You turned me and led me together in my mother’s womb. I praise You that I am fearfully and wonderfully made. You know all the details of my life, and of every purpose You have ever set for us.
I worship You, Heavenly Father, for the wonder of all creation, the sun, moon and stars, as well as the sparkling life around us. Thank you for life, and for every purpose You have ever set for us.
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I pray for those I know and love, and ask that You would be with them to protect and strengthen them in all that they do, whenever they will be today.
Help me to do the things that I should. May I know peace and joy. Your companionship and guidance moment by moment. Make me someone who always wants to help others without meddling in their affairs. And for those in particular need, please draw near to them at this time. I praise these prayers in the name of Jesus. Amen.

A morning prayer
Dear God, Thank you for a safe night’s sleep and a new day. I need Your help as I face all that this day has in store for me. I am grateful for the promises of your love, your faithfulness, your blessings, your peace, your joy and your patience. Lord, be with me today.
Thank you for the strength you give me to face what the day holds. May I have the courage to face challenges, the strength to overcome obstacles and the wisdom to make the right decisions. May I be a light in this world.
Thank you for the opportunity to make a positive impact on the lives of others. May I use my talents and abilities to serve others and to glorify You.
May I be a good influence on those I come into contact with. May I be a shining example of Your love and compassion.
I pray that You will guide me through the day and give me the strength to face any challenges that may arise.
Amen.

An evening prayer
Dear God and Saviour,
Thank you for this past day and the life You have given me to enjoy. Thank you for those I have met, for friends and family. Thank you for the food, drink and activities I have enjoyed. Thank you for all who have shown care and helped me in so many ways.
Thank you for the beauty of the world and the wonder of creation. Thank you, too, that this life is not all there is. Thank you that there is eternity to be with You. Thank you for a place where there are no tears, no mourning or crying, not pain, for the former things have passed away.
Please forgive all the sins of this past day. I praise that Jesus has paid the price of all my sin and that I can be forgiven. I thank You for Your forgiveness, Your strength and companionship. I thank You for the joy of Your presence. I thank You for the comfort that comes from knowing You are with me. I thank You for the peace that I have in knowing that You are with me always.
I give You praise and thanksgiving for all that You have done for me. I lift up to You my concerns and worries. I trust You to take care of them. I put my worries and concerns in Your hands. I trust You to take care of them. I put my worries and concerns in Your hands. I thank You for the strength and guidance that You will give me.
May I remember to pray and to thank You for all that You have done for me. May I seek Your will and Your guidance in all that I do.
Amen.

"God, who brought all things into being, delights to hear us pray. Prayer is not superstition, like touching wood or crossing your fingers. It is not deluding ourselves with false hopes like reading horoscopes, nor is it vanity repeating set words; it is speaking to God who is Lord of all. Jesus encouraged us to pray and promises to answer the prayers of His children, when we pray according to the plans God has for us, and according to His will and for others. Prayer for us is very easy. We simply talk to God. The reason it is so straightforward for us is that it was costly for God. He paid the greatest price of all so that we can come to Him—anytime anywhere—and about anything.

When Jesus was crucified He actually carried upon Himself all the wrongs which we are guilty, so that if we believe on Him we can be forgiven and come to know God in a personal way. Once we have trusted the new creation, being Jesus Christ as our Lord, Saviour and Friend, it is natural to pray with Him. He is always ready to listen. Here are some prayers you may find helpful to pray and personalise for your own situation. Words that are in italics are there so that they can be adjusted if you are praying for someone else."