

Christian Protestant Patients

PRAYER FOR THE DYING

God, Help (insert name) discover your peace.
Let (him/her) receive your comfort.
Help them to be at rest knowing that you care for (him/her) and that you love (him/her).
Calm their soul as they move into the afterlife.
May (he/she) spend eternity with You;
may (he/she) live forever in your Presence.
Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

I heard a loud shout from the throne saying, Look! The home of God is now among humanity, and God will live with them and they will be God's people, Yes, God will be among them. God will wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying, nor pain. All of that has gone forever. Enter into God's Joy!
In the name of the resurrected Lord Jesus Christ,
Amen.

Muslim Patients

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O Allah, I ask of Thee a perfect faith, a sincere assurance, a reverent heart, a remembering tongue, a good conduct of commendation, and a true repentance, repentance before death, rest at death, and forgiveness and mercy after death, clemency at the reckoning, victory in paradise, and escape from the fire, by Thy mercy, O mighty one; O forgiver. Lord, increase me in knowledge and join me unto good.

Oh God, You are my protector in this world and in the Hereafter. Let me die as one who has surrendered to You and join me with the righteous.

“La ilaha ill'al-lah” there is no god but Allah and Mohammed is the messenger of Allah. Amen.

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Allah! Make his/her affair light, render easy what he/she is going to face after this, bless her/him with Thy vision, and make her/his new abode better for her/him than the one she/he has left behind. Amen.

Christian Catholic Patients

PRAYER FOR THE DYING

Go forth, Christian soul, from this world
In the name of God, the almighty Father,
Who created you
In the name of Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,
Who suffered for you,
In the name of the Holy Spirit,
Who was poured out upon you,
Go forth, faithful Christian.
May you live in peace this day,
May your home be with God in Zion
With Mary the Virgin Mother of God,
With Joseph, and all the Angels and Saints.

A PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

In your hands, O Lord,
We humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.
In this life you embraced them with your tender love;
Deliver them now from every evil
And bid them eternal rest.
The old order has passed away:
Welcome them into paradise,
Where there will be no sorrow, no weeping, or pain,
But fullness of peace and joy
With your Son and the Holy Spirit
Forever and ever.
Amen.

Saints of God, come to (her/his) aid!
Come to meet (her/him), Angels of the Lord!
Receive (her/his) soul and present him/her
To God the most high.
May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;
May Angels lead you to Abraham's side.
Give (her/him) eternal rest, O Lord, and may your light shine on (her/him) forever.
All powerful and merciful God,
We commend you to (insert patient's name here),
Your servant.
In your mercy and love,
Blot out the sins (she/he) has committed.
Through human weakness.
In this world, (she/he) has died:
Let (her/him) live with you forever
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Jewish Patients

PRAYER FOR THE DYING

I acknowledge before You,
Adonai my God and God of my ancestors,
That my healing and my death are in Your hands.
May it be Your will to grant me a complete healing.
If it be Your will that I am to die of this illness,
Let my death be atonement for all the wrongs
that I have done in my life.
Grant me the great happiness stored up for the righteous.
Make known to me the path of life.
In Your presence is fullness of joy;
at Your right hand bliss forever more.
Parent of orphans and Guardian of the bereaved,
Protect my dear ones,
Whose souls are bound with mine.
Into your hand I place my spirit.
May you redeem me, O God of truth.
The Lord is King, the Lord was King,
and the Lord will be King forever and ever.
Blessed is the Name whose glorious kingdom is for all eternity.
Shema Yisrael, Adonai Eloheinu Adonai Echad.
Hear O Israel, The Lord our God, The Lord is One.

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Psalm 23

A song of David.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He causes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside still waters.
He restores my soul;
He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Even when I walk in the valley of darkness, I will fear no evil for
You are with me; Your rod and Your staff-they comfort me.
You set a table before me in the presence of my adversaries; You
anointed my head with oil; my cup overflows.
May only goodness and kindness pursue me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for length of days.

Buddhist Patients

PRAYER FOR THE DYING

The Buddha's virtues are inconceivable

The Dharma's virtues are inconceivable

The Sangha's virtues are inconceivable

Having faith in these inconceivables,

May (he/she) be born into a completely pure realm.

A PRAYER FOR THE DEAD

May all beings be graced with the Bodhisattva way of life

Through my merit, may all those in all directions who are afflicted by bodily and mental sufferings obtain oceans of joy and contentment

May those afflicted with cold find warmth. May those oppressed by heat be cooled by oceans of water springing from the great clouds of the Bodhisattvas

By the power of my virtue, may those who are suffering attain celestial bodies and dwell with goddesses by the river Mandakini
May the inhabitants of all painful states of existence be liberated from their woeful states

May I be the medicine and the physician for the sick.

May the virtue that I have acquired by doing all this, relieve every suffering of all sentient beings.

May all beings without exception, be released from suffering and find true happiness and everlasting peace.

Hindu Patients

PRAYER FOR THE DYING

Physical nature is known to be endlessly mutable. The universe is the cosmic form of the Supreme Lord, and I am that Lord represented as the Supersoul, dwelling in the heart of every embodied being. And whoever, at the time of death, quits their body, remembering Me alone, at once attains My nature. Of this there is no doubt. . One who meditates on the Supreme Personality of Godhead, their mind constantly engaged in remembering Me, undeviated from the path, O Partha [Arjuna], is sure to reach Me.

May this breath merge into the immortal breath. Then may the body end in ashes. AUM, remember what has been done, O intelligence remember what has been done, remember, remember. O Agni, O God, the knower of all our deeds, lead us along the right path to prosperity. Please take away from us our deceitful sins. Many prayers we offer you.

Nanak too lehanaa too hai Guru amar too veechaariaa Dhan Dhan
Ram Das Gur Jin sireeaa tinai savaariaa.

Om Namō Narayanaya.

Hindu Patients (continued)

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Those with the vision of eternity can see that the soul is transcendental, eternal, and beyond the modes of nature. Despite contact with the material body, O Arjuna, the soul neither does anything nor is entangled. The sky, due to its subtle nature, does not mix with anything, although it is all-pervading. Similarly, the soul, situated in Brahman vision, does not mix with the body, though situated in that body. O son of Bharata, as the sun alone illuminates all this universe, so does the living entity, one within the body, illuminate the entire body by consciousness. One who knowingly sees this difference between the body and the owner of the body and can understand the process of liberation from this bondage, also attains to the supreme goal.

Unspecified or Unknown Religion

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May only goodness and kindness pursue me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for length of days.

The Peace Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

when there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

and where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console;

to be understood, as to understand,

to be loved as to love;

for it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying [to ourselves] that we are born to eternal life.

Unspecified or Unknown (continued)

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Psalm 91

He who dwells in the covert of the Most High will lodge in the shadow of the Almighty.

I shall say of the Lord [that He is] my shelter and my fortress, my God in Whom I trust.

For He will save you from the snare that traps from the devastating pestilence.

With His wing He will cover you, and under His wings you will take refuge; His truth is an encompassing shield.

You will not fear the fright of night, the arrow that flies by day; Pestilence that prowls in darkness, destruction that ravages at noon.

A thousand will be stationed at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand; but it will not approach you.

You will but gaze with your eyes, and you will see the annihilation of the wicked.

For you [said], "The Lord is my refuge"; the Most High you made your dwelling.

No harm will befall you, nor will a plague draw near to your tent.

For He will command His angels on your behalf to guard you in all your ways.

On [their] hands they will bear you, lest your foot stumble on a stone.

On a young lion and a cobra you will tread; you will trample the young lion and the serpent.

For he yearns for Me, and I shall rescue him; I shall fortify him because he knows My name.

He will call Me and I shall answer him; I am with him in distress; I shall rescue him and I shall honor him.

With length of days I shall satiate him, and I shall show him My salvation.