**Prayer Wheel**

1. **PRAISE:** Psalm 22:3; 63:3, Hebrews 13:15—Begin prayer with praise. Praise esteems God for His greatness and virtue. It puts the focus on Him and who He is.

2. **KINGDOM PRAYING:** Matthew 6:33—If you put the needs of God’s Kingdom first, you have it in writing that God will take care of your own needs. Kingdom praying helps us focus on the big picture – the things that will matter for eternity.

3. **FORGIVENESS & CONFESSION:** Psalm 139:23-24; Psalm 66:18—If you hide sin in your heart God will not hear you. When you forgive, you completely pour out of any feelings that might have developed against anyone. Repent of any sin to clear the way for God to move.

4. **PETITION:** James 4:2-3; Matthew 6:9-13—Pray for any personal needs you may have, that are according to God’s will.

5. **INTERCESSION:** 1 Timothy 2:1-2; Matthew 9:37-38—Intercession is prayer for others. Pray for friends, family, neighbors, teachers, and your church.

6. **READ THE BIBLE:** II Timothy 3:16—Read the Bible during prayer. The Word brings revelation and wisdom, it builds our faith, and it shows what the will of God is.

7. **MEDITATION:** Psalm 1:1-2; Psalm 77:12—Take time to “think on these things.” God will open your understanding as you take time to reflect on Him, His Word, and the things He is doing.

8. **THANKSGIVING:** Philippians 4:6—Spend special time thanking God aloud for His provision and goodness to you, and those around you.

9. **PRAY THE WORD:** Personally apply, out loud, the instruction of scripture. Read or quote a scripture, and put yourself into the message of it. Personalize it.

10. **SINGING:** Psalm 100:2; Ephesians 5:19—Singing refreshes the soul and brings encouragement. Sing a song or play a song and worship/sing along with it.

11. **LISTENING:** I Kings 19:11-12—Prayer is as much listening as it is speaking. Ask God to speak to you. Believe that He will. Write down the things He’s speaking to you, even if you don’t understand it all right now. When He does speak to you, be sure to obey what He says.

12. **PRAISE:** Matthew 6:13—Conclude every prayer with praise.

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