

# THE ABIDER

*Connected / Transformed / Fruitful*

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**WORSHIP**

HE KNOWS  
**LEARN**

HE'S ABLE  
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There are many ways to approach prayer, but none are as effective as those that are scripture-based and Spirit-led. According to the direction Jesus gave His disciples we are to pray for the Kingdom of God to come and will of our Father to be done **"on earth as it is in heaven"** (Mt. 6:9-13). **Three aspects of fulfilling specific details of God's Kingdom are:**

- 1. **Daily bread (Mt. 6:11),**
- 2. **Forgiveness of sins (Mt. 6:12)**
- 3. **Temptation-free guidance and deliverance (Mt. 6:13).**

## SNATCHING POWER

**"And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil." Mt. 6:13**

Jesus tells us to ask God **NOT** to do something He Himself did (Matthew 4:1). As Abiders we should ask, **Why did the Holy Spirit lead Jesus to be tempted in the wilderness?** Our answer is found in Hebrews (2:14, 17-18 & 4:15-16).

From these verses we discover that Jesus took on the same flesh and blood as mankind. In order to make the devil **powerless** and make propitiation (peace) for our sins, **"He had to be made like His brethren in all things..."** Heb. 2:17

Jesus gained victory over death through the power of the resurrection. But first He gained victory over temptation through the power of **resistance** and faith in God the Father.

The answer to our question then is, **Jesus was tempted in order to defeat temptation and give victory to the tempted (Heb. 2:18).**

## SNATCHED FROM EVIL

**Why should we pray NOT to be lead into temptation? "Lead us not into temptation"** <sup>KJV</sup> is about acknowledging, celebrating and **receiving** what Christ has already done for us. He was led into temptation by the Holy Spirit and defeated it. If we then find ourselves being tempted, it is NOT God who led us there. The devil is the one who tempts us. Therefore, we should pray, **"deliver us from evil."**

Hebrews 4:16 aligns perfectly with what we've learned regarding The Lord's Prayer: **"Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace [Your Kingdom come], so**

**that we may receive mercy [forgive us our debts] and find grace to help in time of need [deliver us from evil]."** Because of our Savior's victory, **through abiding prayer we can walk in resistance, deliverance and victory over every temptation we face just as Jesus did (James 4:7).**

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**MIDWEEK**  
*Celebration*

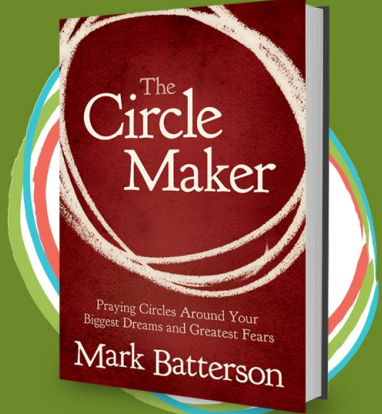
BEGINS WEDNESDAY  
AUGUST 8TH 6:30PM



CHILDREN AND YOUTH AT THE CYC  
ADULTS AT THE CATHEDRAL

The Circle Maker

**BOOK AND STUDY GUIDE**



BOTH AVAILABLE TODAY IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL  
COST: BOOK \$12 / STUDY GUIDE \$10

**FACTORPOINT PRAYERS**

**Monday:**

Father God I thank You for sending Jesus, Your only begotten Son, to pay the price for MY sin and reconcile me to You (Jn. 3:16). I thank You Jesus for doing a perfect and complete work (Heb. 2:10). As I abide in You Jesus, reveal to me all I need to walk out my salvation in victory. Reveal to me ALL that You have accomplished through the cross and the resurrection. Your grace is sufficient to face and overcome every obstacle in life (2 Cor. 12:9). And by Your grace today, I will abide in You, bear much fruit and bring You glory. In Jesus name I pray. Amen.

**Tuesday:**

Lord Jesus I thank You for teaching Your disciples to pray (Mt. 6:9-13). As Your disciple, I submit to Your ways, abide in You and seek to demonstrate the Fruit of the Spirit in ALL areas of my life (Ga. 5:22-23). Holy Spirit remind of what I have been taught and help me to remain aware of the opportunities I have to glorify the Lord through abiding obedience (Jn. 14:26). O Lord, I pray that I will prosper and be in health even as my soul prospers (3 Jn. 1:2). Thank You for providing daily bread to feed me at a spiritual level. Today I place my trust in You and lean not to my own understanding (Pr. 3:5). I pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

**Wednesday:**

O Lord I thank You that Jesus was led by the Spirit to be tempted so that I could walk in victory over every temptation (Mt. 4:1, Heb. 2:18). Today I approach the throne of grace with confidence that Christ Jesus sympathizes with what I feel (Heb. 4:15-16). Thank You that I am forgiven for every failed attempt done in my own strength. And I thank You for providing grace, Your strength, to do what I cannot do on my own (Phil. 4:13). Be my help in the time of need O Lord, and deliver me from every scheme of the evil one. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

**Thursday:**

Lord Jesus, as I abide in You through prayer today, I ask you to be my strength and fortify my will with your will (Lk. 22:42). Give me ears to hear your voice as a sheep recognizes the shepherd (Luke 14:35; John 10:27). Continue to search me and remove anything in me that is not pleasing in your site. Help me to have a heart after Your heart filled with kingdom desires and your very best for my life (Ps. 37:4). I trust You to do exceedingly, abundantly, above all that I can ask think or imagine (Eph. 3:20). Through faith, I expect to see the manifestation of Your will and glory in my life. I pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

**Friday:**

Father, I intercede today for the Body of Christ and specially my local church family. I pray that we would all be used by You through prayer and our fruit-bearing actions to bring glory to Your name (Jn. 15:8). Cause us to walk in unity and oneness as You and Christ Jesus are ONE (Jn. 17:21). I pray that the vision of our church is YOUR VISION for we are YOUR CHURCH. Give us grace to fulfill all You desire for us both corporately and individually. Remove all strife and division from us and expose every distraction of the enemy (1 Cor. 1:10). Let us forgive one another and love each other as You Lord have loved us (Jn. 15:12). In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

**Saturday:**

Lord Jesus I thank You that I am continually growing and maturing as Your disciple as I abide in You. Thank You Father for pruning me of the clutter of lies and deceit from my past (Jn. 15:2). I declare today that I am flourishing in my soul as my mind is renewed in the things of God (Rom. 12:2). Grant me the grace I need today to bring You glory in my home, with my family and those I encounter. I pray that my heart would remain as good ground ready to receive Your Word as the seed and produce Christ-like character in me (Mt. 13:23). I give You praise, glory and honor for these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

 **JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT TEACHING ON THE ABIDER AND RECEIVE THE PRAYER SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK.**

**WEEKEND CELEBRATIONS**

**SATURDAYS 5PM SUNDAYS 8:30AM / 10:30AM / 12:30PM**

**BIBLE STUDY IS ON SUMMER BREAK**

**WEDNESDAYS 12NOON AND 7PM AT THE CATHEDRAL  
THURSDAYS 12NOON AT THE POWER CENTER**

**CENTERED LIFE**  
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