Prayer Liturgy – Week 14 These liturgies are adapted from Boa's (1993) Handbook to Prayer

Adoration

• Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I take the wings of the dawn, if I dwell in the furthest part of the sea, even there Your hand will lead me; Your right hand will lay hold of me. If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me," even the night will be light around me. The darkness is not dark to You, And the night shines as the day; Darkness and light are alike to You. (Psalm 139:7–12)

Pause to voice your own prayer of adoration to the omniscient God

Confession

• Those whom You love You rebuke and discipline. Therefore may I be zealous and repent. (Rev 3:19) Ask the Spirit to search your heart and reveal any areas of unconfessed sin. Acknowledge these to the Lord and thank Him for His forgiveness.

Renewal

• The foremost commandment is this: "Hear, O Israel; the Lord our God, the Lord is one; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." The second is this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." There is no commandment greater than these. To love God with all the heart and with all the understanding and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as himself are more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices. (Mark 12:29–31, 33)

Pause to add your own prayers for personal renewal.

Petition

• May I be strong and courageous, and act. May I not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord God is with me. He will not fail me or forsake me. (1 Chronicles 28:20)

Pause to ask for God's guidance and help in the following arenas:

Spiritual warfare (protection from the evil one, from temptation, and the strength to be faithful) Spiritual discipline (prayer, devotion, Bible study, etc.)

Diligence and wisdom in work

Physical health

Intercession

• The Lord works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed. (Psalm 103:6) Pray for the following:

The poor and hungry

The oppressed and persecuted

Peace among the nations

Thanksgiving

• When we were helpless, at the right time, Christ died for the ungodly. For rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:6–8) Pause to give thanks to God for Jesus.

Communal Prayer

• Lord Jesus, You are coming quickly. Your reward is with You, and You will give to everyone according to what he has done. You are the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Yes, You are coming quickly. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! (Revelation 22:12–13, 20)