



Praying Through the Struggle

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1. Acknowledge the struggle; talk to the Lord

Psalms 86:1-4

1. Bow down Your ear, O LORD, hear me; For I am poor and needy.
 2. Preserve my life, for I am holy; You are my God; **Save Your servant** who trusts in You!
 3. Be merciful to me, O Lord, For I cry to You all day long.
 4. Rejoice the soul of Your servant, For to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
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2. Acknowledge the Lord's matchless attributes in the struggle

Psalms 86:5-10

- 5. For You, Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You.
 - 6. Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; And attend to the voice of my supplications.
 - 7. In the day of my trouble I will call upon You, For You will answer me.
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2. Acknowledge the Lord's matchless attributes *in* the struggle

Psalms 86:5-10

8. Among the gods there is *none like You*, O Lord; **Nor** are there **any works** like Your works.
 9. All nations whom You have made **Shall come and worship before You**, O Lord, And shall glorify Your name.
 10. For You are great, and do wondrous things; **You alone are God.**
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3. Seek to learn while in the struggle

Psalms 86:11-15

- 11. *Teach me Your way*, O LORD; I will walk in Your truth; *Unite my heart* to fear Your name.
 - 12. *I will praise You*, O Lord my God, with all my heart, And I will glorify Your name forevermore.
 - 13. *For great is Your mercy* toward me, And You have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.
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3. Seek to learn while in the struggle

Psalms 86:11-15

14. O God, the *proud* have risen against me, And a mob of violent men have sought my life, And have not set You before them.
 15. But You, O Lord, are a God full of compassion, and gracious, Longsuffering and abundant in mercy and truth.
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4. Pray the Lord is magnified in the way He brings deliverance from the struggle

Psalms 86:16-17

- 16. Oh, turn to me, and have mercy on me! Give Your strength to Your servant, And save the son of *Your maidservant*.
 - 17. Show me a sign for good, That those who hate me may see it and be ashamed, Because You, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.
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Application



- All we receive from God comes from His mercy.
 - Difficulties do not alter God's nature.
 - God is with us in prayer when we honestly share our struggles while trusting in His power and grace.
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