

The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide



January 8, 2023

I. Worship, Praise, & Thanksgiving

“There is no wisdom, no insight, no plan that can succeed against the LORD. The horse is prepared for the day of battle, but the victory belongs to the LORD.” Proverbs 21:30, 31 (NIV/NLT)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

The Oaks Priority #2

We are a grace-based church. We emphasize God’s amazing grace in our relationship with Him and in our relationships with one another.

“Out of the fullness of His grace He has blessed us all, giving us one blessing after another.” John 1:16 (GNT)

40 DAYS OF *prayer*

“Prayer as Kingdom Partnership”

Matthew 6:10

Pastor Jose L. Doniz – Sunday 1/8/23

What is Prayer?

“Prayer is earthly permission for heavenly interference” – **Dr. Tony Evans.**

“Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.” **Mathew 6:9-10**
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- Lord’s prayer as a *pattern* on how to pray.
- Don’t pray to be seen by others and with empty phrases.
- Pray alone and without distractions.

- [Our Father in heaven](#) – Right posture = Trust (awareness of His acceptance).
- [Hallowed be your name](#) – Right posture = Worship.

What is the Kingdom of God?

“And as you go, preach, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those with leprosy, cast out demons. Freely you received, freely give.” **Mathew 10:7-8 NASB**

God’s Kingdom is His long anticipated redemptive reign, the saving sovereignty of Lord Almighty revealed here and now though Jesus to:

- to free them from demonic oppression (mark 1:21–28, 34);
- to heal them (mark 1:29–34, 40–45; 2:1–12; 3:1–5);
- to form a new, inclusive community composed of all those who: repent (change the way you think) and received God’s forgiveness through trust in Jesus (mark 2:15–20)

Insights from the parables of the Kingdom (Matthew 13):

- Who enter the kingdom & inherit blessings – ones who hear and do His word.
- Kingdom of God growing up in the midst of the kingdom of darkness.
- The kingdom will one day be great, but it will start small, barely visible.
- the value of the kingdom - it’s worth giving up everything for.

What is the Sovereignty of God?

“I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, ‘My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.’” **Isaiah 46:10 NIV**

God’s will is *Sovereign, Decretive* and *Hidden*, and is divided in:

- Efficacious will: directly contribute to the fulfillment of God’s desire.
- Permissive will: allow for an indirect fulfillment of God’s desire.
- There is nothing that happens that is outside of God’s sovereign will

“ Set the world right; Do what’s best— as above, so below” **Mathew 6:10 MSG**

- Lord’s prayer begins with God’s interests: God’s name, God’s kingdom, and God’s will.
- We have no right to ask anything that:
 - will dishonor His name
 - delay His kingdom
 - or disturb His will on earth
- Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven – Right posture = **Surrender**.
- His Kingdom comes to us, through our own Kindness, respect, love to others.
 - Invitation to all around us to step into His kingdom too.
 - Sharing your faith with your FRANCs (Friends, Relatives, Acquaintances, Neighbors, Coworkers)
- His will in our lives is already set in Scripture (The Bible).

John 6:29 (TLB): “Jesus told them, “This is the will of God, that you believe in the one he has sent.”

Romans 12:2 (NIV): “Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

1 Thessalonians 4:3-4 (NIV): “It is God’s will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, “”

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (NIV): “Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”

IV. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

“Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your crops (income); then your barns will be abundantly filled and your vats will overflow with new wine.” Proverbs 3:9, 10 (AMP)

3 Ways to Give:

1. Online at www.theoaksweb.com or download our app (The Oaks Bakersfield)
2. Mail Check/Drop Off Cash to: 10200 Campus Park Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93311
3. In person through the worship service offering or using the offering boxes

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Text us to let us know that you are here today or with any prayer request that you have: 661-241-3408