

Thriving

40 Days of Prayer

Week 3: Flourishing After Divorce

*This specific week may not apply to you personally, but pray for those around you who are in the situation—we are a stronger faith community when we bear one another's burdens

Day 15 - Still the Bride of Christ

For as a young man marries a young woman, so your sons will marry you; and as a groom rejoices over his bride, so your God will rejoice over you. Isaiah 62:5
"Divorce didn't void your value. Jesus still calls you His beloved."

Devotional: Divorce can be deeply painful, and it's easy to carry shame in the aftermath. But hear this clearly—divorce does not diminish your worth. In Christ, your identity is secure. You are still beloved, still chosen, still the bride of Christ. God's grace covers your story, and His love remains your foundation.

Prayer: Lord, remind me that divorce doesn't define me. You do. I am still Your beloved.

Day 16 - Hand God Your Wounds

He heals the brokenhearted and bandages their wounds. Psalm 147:3
"God can't heal what you won't hand Him."

Devotional: Sometimes we cling to hurt and tuck it away where no one can see it. But God never asks us to pretend. He invites us to bring our pain into His presence. When we surrender it, He begins to heal it. You don't have to carry it alone—place it in His hands today.

Prayer: Father, I give You my pain. Heal the places in my heart I've tried to hide.

Day 17 - Healing Is Holy Work

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort. He comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any kind of affliction, through the comfort we ourselves receive from God. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Devotional: Healing rarely happens overnight. We may wish for a quick, microwave-style fix, but God often works slowly and deeply. The good news? Slow healing is still real healing. And as God restores us, we become a source of comfort and hope for others walking their own journey toward wholeness.

Prayer: Jesus, walk with me through the slow work of healing. Use my scars to help others find hope.

Day 18 - Grow in Holiness, Not Bitterness

For it is written, Be holy, because I am holy. 1 Peter 1:16

"Let the fire refine you, not define you."

Devotional:

Disappointment is hard, and it can shape us if we're not careful. We always have a choice: let it make us bitter, or let Christ use it to make us better. When we bring our wounds to Jesus, His light shines through them. Lean into grace, trust His refining work, and choose holiness today.

Prayer:

Holy Spirit, protect me from bitterness. Grow holiness in me that shines brighter than my wounds.

Day 19 - New Mercies Each Morning

Because of the Lord's faithful love we do not perish, for His mercies never end.

They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness! Lamentations 3:22-23

Devotional:

Walking through divorce can feel overwhelming, and at times it may seem like everything has fallen apart. But God's mercies are new every morning. He remains faithful, and He is still working in your story. Rest in His mercy and allow His love to renew your hope.

Prayer: Lord, thank You that Your mercies are new every morning. Today, I start fresh with You.

Day 20 - Redemption Is Real

We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, who are called according to His purpose. Romans 8:28

Devotional: Redemption is found in Jesus. Even our most difficult seasons become places where His restoring work can unfold. What once felt like a setback becomes a testimony—strengthening others and bringing glory to God.

Prayer: Father, turn my story into testimony. Redeem what was broken for Your glory.

Day 21 - Beauty from Ashes

...to provide for those who mourn in Zion; to give them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, festive oil instead of mourning, and splendid clothes instead of despair. And they will be called righteous trees, planted by the Lord to glorify Him. Isaiah 61:3

Devotional: Scripture promises us that God turns mourning into gladness and brings beauty from ashes. In the middle of hardship, it may not feel true—but it remains a promise we can hold on to. God is working even when we can't see it.

Prayer: Jesus, exchange my ashes for Your beauty, my sorrow for Your joy, my loss for Your love.