
PRAYER FOR LIFE

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Heavenly Father, You created us in Your image and likeness, giving us the priceless gift of possessing and transmitting human LIFE.

When by our sins we forfeited LIFE, You sent Your beloved Son Jesus to the Virgin Mary. She said "yes" to LIFE and Jesus was conceived, was born and grew to manhood. He gave His LIFE that we might have LIFE and have it to the full (Jn 10:10).

You desire us to have LIFE forever in the unutterable joy of the face-to-face vision of Yourself in all Your beauty and splendor and radiance.

We pray You, loving Father, send Your Spirit upon us,

That under His inspiration:

We may bend our knees in prayer for LIFE
That we may speak for LIFE, vote for LIFE,
write for LIFE, march for LIFE, picket for LIFE, counsel for LIFE, fast for LIFE

That with Your Spirit's amazing grace:

We may love and cherish and foster LIFE:
in the womb, in the cradle, in the home,
on the playground, in the school room,
in the office, the shop, the hospital, the sickbed.

Dearest Father, send Your Spirit of Wisdom and Counsel on our President, our Supreme Court, our Congress and State Legislatures, on public officials at all levels of government.

Send Your Spirit of love and compassion on women and men all over America, all over the face of the earth.

Give us a change of heart and a new appreciation of the gift of human LIFE from the moment of conception till the moment of natural death.

Father, we plead the Blood of Jesus on men and women the world over begging You to bind Satan who "was a murderer from the beginning, a liar and the father of lies" (John 8:44).

In the words of Scripture, You set before us this day "LIFE or death, blessing or curse" (Deut. 30:19). Grant that we may choose LIFE so that we and our descendants may live.

We ask this, Father, in the Name of Your Son, Christ Jesus, Our Lord.

Amen.
