



## PRAYER SERVICE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>, 7PM

Join us outside in the pavilion or on [Facebook](#) and use this Guide to pray with us.

### • INTRO

“Eyes on me.” That’s what author and ministry leader John Eldredge recently said he sensed in prayer as he was pursuing Christ’s leading during this tumultuous season: in all the upheaval of the pandemic, the political strife, the social division, he felt Jesus was saying to the Church, “*Eyes on me. Hearts on me.*” In Psalm 11, the Psalmist gives us an example of just that: when the foundations of their world seem to be crumbling and people are crying out for panic, David looks to the Lord. “In the Lord I take refuge...The Lord is in his holy temple...” These are the truths we need to soak in right now. These are the prayers we need to be praying. This is how we find courage when it feels like the world is crumbling. Eyes on Jesus. Let’s pray.

### • PAUSE

“As I enter prayer now, I pause to be still; to breathe slowly; to re-center my scattered senses upon the presence of God.” (Lectio365) *Pause and pray.*

As we read **Psalm 11** together, be open with the parts that confuse or challenge you; meditate on the parts that stand out to you:

***“1 In the LORD I take refuge. How then can you say to me: ‘Flee like a bird to your mountain. 2 For look, the wicked bend their bows; they set their arrows against the strings to shoot from the shadows at the upright in heart. 3 When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?’ 4 The LORD is in his holy temple; the LORD is on his heavenly throne. He observes everyone on earth; his eyes examine them. 5 The LORD examines the righteous, but the wicked, those who love violence, he hates with a passion. 6 On the wicked he will rain fiery coals and burning sulfur; a scorching wind will be their lot. 7 For the LORD is righteous, he loves justice; the upright will see his face.”***

### • SONGS

“Build My Life” [Click Here - https://youtu.be/QZW4\\_8\\_zCBE](https://youtu.be/QZW4_8_zCBE)

#### VERSE 1

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing  
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever  
breathe  
We live for You

#### VERSE 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name  
Jesus the only one who could ever save  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever  
breathe  
We live for You, we live for You

## CHORUS

Holy there is no one like You  
There is none beside You  
Open up my eyes in wonder  
And show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart  
And lead me in  
Your love to those around me

## BRIDGE

I will build my life upon Your love  
It is a firm foundation  
I will put my trust in You a

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### • **PSALM 11:1-3**

***“<sup>1</sup> In the LORD I take refuge. How then can you say to me: ‘Flee like a bird to your mountain. <sup>2</sup> For look, the wicked bend their bows; they set their arrows against the strings to shoot from the shadows at the upright in heart. <sup>3</sup> When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?’”***

While people are sounding the alarm to panic and retreat, the Psalmist roots their courage in the Lord: “In the Lord I take refuge.” This is an extraordinary sense of confidence and faith. What voices are seeming to fill your life with panic in these tumultuous times? Where do you need to root your life in the phrase, “In the Lord I take refuge”?

Reread this passage slowly and thoughtfully. Reflect and pray on the parts that stand out to you. *Pause and pray.*

### • **PSALM 11:4-7**

***“<sup>4</sup> The LORD is in his holy temple; the LORD is on his heavenly throne. He observes everyone on earth; his eyes examine them. <sup>5</sup> The LORD examines the righteous, but the wicked, those who love violence, he hates with a passion. <sup>6</sup> On the wicked he will rain fiery coals and burning sulfur; a scorching wind will be their lot. <sup>7</sup> For the LORD is righteous, he loves justice; the upright will see his face.”***

The Message translation depicts this Psalm with vivid language: “*I’ve already run for dear life straight to the arms of GOD. So why would I run away now when you say, ‘Run to the mountains; the evil bows are bent, the wicked arrows aimed to shoot under cover of darkness at every heart open to God. The bottom’s dropped out of the country; good people don’t have a chance’? But GOD hasn’t moved to the mountains; his holy address hasn’t changed. He’s in charge, as always, his eyes taking everything in...GOD’s business is putting things right; he loves getting the lines straight, setting us straight. Once we’re standing tall, we can look him straight in the eye.*” In response to the voices of fear and panic, the Psalmist simply declares the truth of God: “*The Lord is in his holy temple; the Lord is on his heavenly throne. He observes everyone on earth...the Lord is righteous, he loves justice...*” What are the voices of fear in your heart and mind to which you need to declare the truth of God?

Reread Psalm 11:4-7 above; reflect and pray on the parts that stand out to you. You might be led from this to pray for specific needs and situations, or for something within your own heart. Let the Word of God and the Spirit of God lead you. *Pause and pray.*

- **SONG**

“King of My Heart” Click Here - <https://youtu.be/EpqSbKYxd9Y>

**VERSE 1**

Let the King of my heart  
Be the mountain where I run  
The fountain I drink from  
Oh He is my song  
Let the King of my heart  
Be the shadow where I hide  
The ransom for my life  
Oh He is my song

**CHORUS**

You are good good oh  
You are good good oh  
You are good good oh  
You are good good oh

**VERSE 2**

Let the King of my heart  
Be the wind inside my sails  
The anchor in the waves  
Oh He is my song

Let the King of my heart  
Be the fire inside my veins  
The echo of my days  
Oh He is my song

**BRIDGE**

You're never gonna let  
Never gonna let me down  
You're never gonna let  
Never gonna let me down  
You're never gonna let  
Never gonna let me down  
You're never gonna let  
Never gonna let me down

**ENDING**

When the night is holding on to me  
God is holding on  
When the night is holding on to me  
God is holding on

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- **Closing**

***“Father, help me to live this day to the full, being true to you in every way.  
Jesus, help me to give myself away to others, being kind to everyone I meet.  
Spirit, help me to love the lost, proclaiming Christ in all I do and say. Amen.”***  
(Lectio365)