## 1 Kings 20:11 [Prayers]

The king of Israel answered, "Tell him, 'A man who puts on [his armor to go to battle] should not boast like the man who takes it off [after the battle has been won]."

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David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." Lord I know that You are with me. Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has allowed your sin to pass [without further punishment]." I have given [a great] opportunity to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme Him. Jesus said to me, "I do not condemn you either. Go. From now on sin no more ... " In John 5:14 we read, "Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you are well! Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you." Therefore LORD I pray, just as Jesus taught me how to pray, that "I may not fall into temptation." Proverbs 28:14 says, "Blessed and favored by God is the man who fears [sin and its consequence] at all times, But he who hardens his heart [and is determined to sin] will fall into disaster." So LORD I pray for the Spirit of the Fear of the LORD and I pray You would put in me a health fear of sin and its consequences. You are able to do this, for 1 Kings 8:58 says, "...that He may guide our hearts to Himself, to walk in all His ways [following Him] and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His precepts which He commanded our fathers." This means that You may guide our hearts to Yourself, and we ask for You to do it LORD. LORD Jesus, You said in Revelation 3:20, "Behold, I stand at the door [of the church] and continually knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him (restore him), and he with Me." Therefore I open the door of my heart, for I am the church, and the temple of the living God and His Spirit. For Peter said in 1 Peter 2:5, "You [believers], like living stones, are being built up into a spiritual house for a

holy and dedicated priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices [that are] acceptable and pleasing to God through Jesus Christ." And Paul said in 1 Corinthians 6:19, "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is within you, whom you have [received as a gift] from God, and that you are not your own [property]?" God You said that Your people are Your vineyard. In Isaiah 5:3-4 You say, "And now, says the Lord, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between Me and My vineyard (My people). What more could have been done for My vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to produce good grapes, why did it yield worthless ones?" Oh LORD when You came across the fruitless fig tree, Your Word says in Matthew 29:19, "Seeing a lone fig tree at the roadside, He went to it and found nothing but leaves on it; and He said to it, 'Never again will fruit come from you.' And at once the fig tree withered." You LORD are able to cause me to whither, yet Your WORD also says, in Luke 6:8-10 "But He was aware of their thoughts, and He said to the man with the withered hand, "Get up and come forward." So he got up and stood there. Then Jesus said to them, "I ask you directly: Is it lawful to do good on the Sabbath or to do evil, to save a life or to destroy it?" After looking around at them all, He said to the man, 'Stretch out your hand!' And he did, and his hand was [fully] restored." LORD, today as I write this it is a Sabbath, and I ask You to save my life, save Your vineyards life, save this fig tree. You spoke a parable in Luke 13:7-10 says, "so he said to the vineyard-keeper, 'For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree and have found none. Cut it down! Why does it even use up the ground [depleting the soil and blocking the sunlight]?' But he replied to him, 'Let it alone, sir, [just] one more year until I dig around it and put in fertilizer; and if it bears fruit after this, fine; but if not, cut it down." LORD I was depleting the soil, blocking Your light, You were unable to find fruit on me, yet You gave me another year, and I cry out GOD, O King of the Universe, cause me to bear Your fruit, the fruit of the Holy Spirit which is clearly spoken of in Your Word, not only instill in me the fruits of courage and faithfulness, but the rest of the fruit... Galatians says 5:22-23, "But the fruit of the Spirit [the result of His presence within us] is love [unselfish concern

for others], joy, [inner] peace, patience [not the ability to wait, but how we act while waiting], kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such things there is no law." So may I live, and may You protect me from evil, and help me keep the law. Jabez prayed in 1 Chronicles 4:10 "...saying, 'Oh that You would indeed bless me and enlarge my border [property], and that Your hand would be with me, and You would keep me from evil so that it does not hurt me!' And God granted his request." You granted his request Elohim, O that You would grant my requests, that You would hear my prayers, please Abba, for You called me Your SON! You told Your SON in Psalm 2:8 "Ask of Me, and I will assuredly give [You] the nations as Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth as Your possession." You said in Isaiah 45:11 "For the Lord, the Holy One of Israel, and its Maker says this, "Ask Me about the things to come concerning My sons, And give Me orders concerning the work of My hands." I ask You LORD, show me the things concerning Your SONS, I know that the Millenial Reign is going to happen. Paul says in 1 Corinthians 4:8, "...You [in your conceit] have ascended your thrones and become kings without us; and how I wish [that it were true and] that you did reign as kings, so that we might reign with you." So may it not be in my conceit that I ascend a throne, but by Your Spirit. For in Zechariah 4:6 You say, "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit [of whom the oil is a symbol],' says the Lord of hosts." You have anointed me with the oil if Your Spirit, and Your Spirit is all around. I speak forth Your Word into my life, for Jesus said in John 6:63, "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh conveys no benefit [it is of no account]. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life [providing] eternal life]." And You told Your SON "Sit at My right hand Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet [subjugating them into complete submission]." LORD here I am, seated at Your right hand... make my enemies a footstool. You commanded the blessing to overtake me! You said in Leviticus 26:13, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt so that you would not be their slaves; and I broke the bars of your yoke and made you walk upright [with heads held high as free men]." May I walk with my head held high as a free man for the rest of my life.

Proverbs 29:18 says, "Where there is no vision [no revelation of God and His word], the people are unrestrained; but happy and blessed is he who keeps the law [of God]." O LORD that You would grant me vision, and the revelation of God and Your Word, so that I may restrain myself from sin, having sound judgment, personal discipline (doing the right thing not because I feel like it but because it's the right thing, and having knowledge of the right thing to do in the moment, with a word of knowledge from You), for Paul says in 1 Corinthians 12:8, "To one is given through the [Holy] Spirit [the power to speak] the message of wisdom, and to another [the power to express] the word of knowledge and understanding according to the same Spirit;" Paul also, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit said in 2 Timothy 1:7 "For God did not give us a spirit of timidity or cowardice or fear, but [He has given us a spirit] of power and of love and of sound judgment and personal discipline [abilities that result in a calm, well-balanced mind and self-control]." As I was writing down Exodus, a simple statement leapt off the page after I prayed, and it was from the first sentence in Exodus 8:24, which said, "Then the Lord did so." Psalm 107:2-3 says, "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the adversary, and gathered them from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south." LORD I pray that You would redeem me from the hand of the adversary, that I may go to Jerusalem, that I may travel and do Your Work. You said in Exodus 23:22 "I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries." I shall listen to You for I am led by the Holy Spirit, I am led by You. Psalm 107:7 says, "He led them by the straight way, to an inhabited city [where they could establish their homes]." Your Word told me in Isaiah 55:12, "For you will go out [from exile] with joy and be led forth [by the Lord Himself] with peace; The mountains and the hills will break forth into shouts of joy before you, And all the trees of the field will clap their hands." Galations 5:18 says, "But if you are guided and led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the Law." And Romans 8:14 says, "For all who are allowing themselves to be led by the Spirit of God are sons of God." I am allowing myself to be led by the Holy Spirit, LORD keep me from being subject to the law! And work in my

heart to keep the law of God and man, for in Proverbs 29:18 says, "...happy and blessed is he who keeps the law [of God]." I want to be happy! Psalm 16:11 says, "You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; In Your right hand there are pleasures forevermore." Therefore show me the path of life, and bring me into Your presence, for in Your presence is fullness of joy, and in Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. My favorite Scripture LORD, in Isaiah 41:10 it is YOU who say, "Do not fear [anything], for I am with you; Do not be afraid, for I am your God.I will strengthen you, be assured I will help you; I will certainly take hold of you with My righteous right hand [a hand of justice, of power, of victory, of salvation]." In Habakkuk 2:2 Your Word says, "Then the Lord answered me and said, "Write the vision And engrave it plainly on [clay] tablets So that the one who reads it will run." I am engraving my prayers according to Your Word on this clay tablet, may You send the angels to run with it! We read in 1 Kings 17:24, "Then the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the Lord in your mouth is truth." May Your words on my mouth, in my heart, and on my fingertips be truth. In Exodus 14:13 Moses said, "Do not be afraid! Take your stand [be firm] and confident and undismayed] and see the salvation of the Lord which He will accomplish for you today; for those Egyptians whom you have seen today, you will never see again." Allow me to see Your salvation. Lamentations 3:26 says, "It is good that one waits quietly For the salvation of the Lord." Therefore just as in Micah 7:7 I also say, "But as for me, I will look expectantly for the Lord and with confidence in Him I will keep watch; I will wait [with confident expectation] for the God of my salvation. My God will hear me." Lord I meet the prerequisite for YOUR promise in Psalm 91:16 which says, "With a long life I will satisfy him and I will let him see My salvation." According to Psalm 91:1 "I dwell in the shelter of the Most High and I will remain secure and rest in the shadow of the Almighty [whose power no enemy can withstand]." That includes my adversaries... for in Zechariah 3:1 it says, "Then the guiding angel showed me Joshua the high priest [representing disobedient, sinful Israel] standing before the Angel of the Lord, and Satan standing at Joshua's right hand to be his adversary

and to accuse him." Oh that You would help me! In Isaiah 41:11-16 You say, "Indeed, all those who are angry with me will be put to shame and humiliated; those who strive against me will be as nothing and will perish. I shall search for those who quarrel with you, but will not find them; they who war against me will be as nothing, as nothing at all. For You, the Lord my God keep hold of my right hand; [You are the Lord], Who says to me, 'Do not fear, I will help you. Do not fear, Eric; I will help you," declares the Lord, my Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel. In fact, you have made of me a new, sharp threshing implement with sharp edges; I will thresh the mountains and crush them, And make the hills like chaff. I will winnow them, and the wind will carry them away, and a high wind will scatter them; but I will rejoice in the Lord, I will glory in the Holy One of Israel." Jeremiah 1:12 says, "Then the LORD said to me, "You have seen well, for I am [actively] watching over My word to fulfill it." Therefore let it be just like in Exodus 8:24, "Then the LORD did so." Your Word says in Psalms, "Light is sown [like seed] for the righteous and illuminates their path, and [irrepressible] joy [is spread] for the upright in heart [who delight in His favor and protection]." I delight in Your favor and protection Abba... Your Word says in Psalm 5:12, "For You, O Lord, bless the righteous man [the one who is in right standing with You]; You surround him with favor as with a shield." Your Word also says in Psalm 84:11 "For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord bestows grace and favor and honor; No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly." Your Word says, in Proverbs 15:29 "The Lord is far from the wicked [and distances Himself from them], But He **hears** the **prayer** of the [consistently] righteous [that is, those with spiritual integrity and moral courage]." Therefore may You, who according to Your Word can harden or soften hearts, according to Exodus 14:8, "The Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh, king of Egypt, and he pursued the Israelites, as they were leaving confidently and defiantly." Your Word says, in Philippians 2:13 "For it is [not your strength, but it is] God who is effectively at work in you, both to will and to work [that is, strengthening, energizing, and creating in you the longing and the ability to fulfill your purpose] for His good pleasure." So how can I worry? I entrust myself to

You. Just as in 1 Peter 2:23, "While being reviled *and* insulted, He did not revile *or* insult in return; while suffering, He made no threats [of vengeance], but kept **entrust**ing *Himself* to Him who judges fairly." I entrust myself to You who judges fairly. You said in Jeremiah 24:7, "I will give them a heart to know Me, [understanding fully] that I am the LORD; and they will be My people, and I will be their God, for they will return to Me with their whole heart." I claim this promise, I claim this WORD, You have given me a heart to know and understand fully that You are the LORD, and I have returned to You with my whole heart, You have given me a heart to know.

In 1 John 4:8 Your Word says, "You are Love..." And in 1 Peter 4:8 Your Word says, "You (Love) cover a multitude of sins..." In Ezekiel 14:20 You said, "I am against your magic bands [and veils] by which you hunt [human] lives as birds and I will tear them from your arms and I will let the lives you hunt go free, even those lives whom you hunt as birds." You said, "Yes, be ashamed and bear your disgrace, for you have made even your [pagan] sisters seem righteous. Nevertheless... [I will restore you from] your own captivity... You have borne [the penalty of] your lewdness and your repulsive acts," says the LORD. (Ezekial 16) Nevertheless, I will remember [with compassion] My covenant with you in the days of your youth, and I will establish an everlasting covenant with you." You said of Isaac, "I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant and with his descendants after him." (Genesis 17:19). You said, "You'll establish Your covenant with me and I'll know without any doubt that You are the LORD... so that I may remember [in detail] and be ashamed and never open my mouth again because of my humiliation, when You have forgiven for all that I have done. "O Taste and see that the LORD [our God] is good; how blessed [fortunate, prosperous, and favored by God] is the man who takes refuge in Him." Psalm 34:8 "Contend of LORD, with those who contend with me, fight those who fight against me. Take hold of shield and buckler (small shield) and stand up for my help... Let them be [blown away] like chaff before the wind [worthless, without substance], with the angel of the

LORD driving them on." "Let their way be dark and slippery with the Angel of the LORD pursuing them and harassing them." Lord just as You told Joshua, I ask the same, I know before whom I stand, that YOu send the hornet [the terror of me] before me, which drove out the Amorites, it was not by sword or bow... (Joshua 24) You said in Exodus 23:26-28, "No one shall suffer miscarriage or be barren in your land; I will fulfill the number of your days..." "You will send the terror ahead of me, and will throw into a confusion all the people among whom I come... You will make all my enemies turn their backs to me in flight... You will send the hornet ahead of me which shall drive out the Hivite, the Cannanite, the Hittite, and the Democrat. (Exodus 23) 2 Samuel 5:10 says, "David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts (armies), was with him.. You were with Joseph and he became a successful and prosperous man, YOu were with him and caused all that he did to prosper (succeed) in his hand. (Genesis 39). Now Abram was extremely rich in livestock and in silver and in gold. (Genesis 13:2) You told Abram, "I will bless you [abundantly] and make your name distinguished (Genesis 12:3) You told David, "I have been with you wherever you have gone and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make you a great name, like that of the great men of the earth. (2 Samuel 6:9) Jacob said, "O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, and David, and Jack, the LORD, who said to me, "Return to your country," "And who is the man who is engaged (legally promised) to a woman and has not married her? Let him go and return to his house.... (Deuteronomy 20:7) "When a man takes a new wife, he shall not go out [to fight] with the army nor be charged with any duty; he shall be free at home for one year and shall bring happiness to his wife whom he has taken." (Deuteronomy 24:5) I am unworthy of all the lovingkindness... " "Worthy and deserving is the Lamb that was sacrificed to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing. (Revelation 5:12) Save me please, from the hand of Esau, I will try to appease, but my eyes are on You!

Paul said in 1 Corinthians 7:2 "But because of [the temptation to participate in] sexual immorality, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband." Therefore I pray for my wife and the blessing of Issachar and Zebulun according to Deuteronomy 33:18, "Of Zebulun he said, "Rejoice, Zebulun, in your interests abroad, And, Issachar, in your tents [at home]." I pray that I may rejoice in my interests abroad and rejoice in having my own home. Deuteronomy 11:27, I receive... "the blessing" I shall, because of God's work in my heart and His Spirit within me, I shall listen to *and* obey the commandments of the Lord my God, which He has commanded me today,

You are the Judge of the universe. Isaiah 33:22 says, "For the LORD is our Judge, the LORD is our Ruler, the LORD is our King; He will save us." And I believe that You are my LORD, my Ruler, my King and that You will save me!

The Lord did so Distrinction between Your people and Egyptians

## <u>John 6:50</u>

This is the Bread that comes down out of heaven, so that **one may eat** of it and **no**t die.