

Lent 2: February 28, 2024 Worship Summary | Prayer Guide and Prompts:

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- Begin with a prayer of thanksgiving for God's grace, acknowledging that it is a gift, not a reward for our deeds. Thank God for the love and grace freely given through Jesus Christ, which empowers us to serve His kingdom.
- Pray for a deeper understanding of your divine purpose. Ask God to reveal to you the gifts and calling He has placed upon your life, much like He did with Jeremiah, and to help you embrace them without hesitation or feelings of inadequacy.
- Reflect on the story of Jeremiah's call (Jeremiah 1:4-10) and ask God to reassure you of your worth and chosen status in His eyes. Pray for the courage to trust in God's plan for you, even when you face self-doubt or fear.
- Consider the pattern of calling, hesitation, reaffirmation, and mission in the lives of biblical figures like Moses and Jonah. Pray for the persistence to follow God's call on your life, even when you are tempted to make excuses or run away.
- Meditate on the question, "Why do I need God?" and pray for a heart that seeks to be an instrument of God's love and grace in the world. Ask God to shift your perspective from seeking your own power or ability to relying on Him to work through you.
- Pray for the universal calling of all who follow Christ. Ask God to help you recognize that your calling is not limited to certain roles or positions but is an invitation to engage in the mission of sharing God's love and grace with others.
- As the Lenten season and Easter approach, pray for a recommitment to accepting God's calling in your life. Ask for the strength to share the message of God's grace with the world, and for opportunities to serve the least and the lost as Jesus did.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance in discerning how to live out your calling in practical ways. Ask for wisdom in identifying specific actions you can take to serve others and participate in the unfolding of God's kingdom on earth.
- Finally, pray for the church community as a whole, that together you may support one another in living out your individual callings. Ask for a spirit of unity and collaboration as you work towards the common goal of manifesting God's love and grace in your community and beyond.