

Praying Through Revelation 22:1-7

Lord God, thank You for speaking true words to us in the Bible so we do not need to face life in hopeless confusion. Thank You for giving us a vision for the future that includes Your plans for us. Thank You for speaking true words through the prophets that You sent to Your servants, words that we can understand and apply to our daily living. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit and improve our understanding of the mysteries You have revealed to us in the Bible.

Lord God, we thank You that the water of life that we drink from in Your Word is pure and without any contaminants of false ideas that we would need to filter out as we study to practice your commands and teachings. Protect us from any false understandings that we might hear or read as we study the Bible. We thank You for the promise of a new city, a new earth, and new heavens where we will be in Your presence and see Your face forever. Thank You for the blessed opportunity to continue as Your servants forever, even as we have sought to serve You on earth.

Lord Jesus, thank You for making it possible for us to live in a new world forever where we will never need to suffer as we have on this old earth. Lord Jesus, please come quickly to make all things right as You have promised, and give us the patience we need to live day-by-day as Your loving and faithful servants until You come to take us to heaven or we see You coming to earth with the Holy City. In your name we pray. Amen.

Please Note: I first learned about “Praying Through the Bible” from Edith Schaeffer, the wife of Francis Schaeffer. You might like to close your class with the above prayer as a way of beginning to teach your class how they too can pray through the Bible. First, you might like to teach your class how to pray through the *International Bible Lessons* each week. [Perhaps some of them would learn how to pray through portions of the Bible during their daily Bible reading and quiet time.] Second, a week in advance, perhaps some of your students would like to write their own “Prayer Through the Bible” using the *International Bible Lesson* scripture text and read their prayer at the close of class. Third, eventually, your students will be able to pray through the Bible without needing to write their prayer in advance before they pray at the end of class. If you would like to learn more about prayer from Edith Schaeffer, read [How God Teaches Us to Pray](#): Lessons from the Lives of Francis and Edith Schaeffer, Kindle Edition, by L.G. Parkhurst, Jr.