**1 Peter 3:8-12**

Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing. For, “Whoever would love life and see good days must keep their tongue from evil and their lips from deceitful speech. They must turn from evil and do good; they must seek peace and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.

**Our world:**

* Thank You for your Church all around the world. The gospel is spreading and we rejoice that we have like minded brothers and sisters in Christ all over**.**
* For persecuted Christ followers, help them not treat their accusers with evil. May Your message go out from them, and bring those stuck in darkness to You. Teach them how to pray for those who persecute them.
* Help the speech of the Church be unified and not divided.
* We pray especially for these situations which are on our minds right now…
* In all, we pray that Your children would turn from evil, do good, seek peace and pursue it daily all around the world.
* Jesus, we trust that Your message is changing the world, and we thank You that we get to be part of that mission. Guide the daily work of the Hamiltons, Clarissa, and Key Communications. Help them rely on You to be compassionate and humble in all of their efforts to share the gospel.

**Our Church and Community:**

* Thank You for this town of Fairbanks, Alaska, and allowing us all to live here.
* Spring is here and it’s a warm gift from You each day, that keeps on giving.
* For all of those waiting for help from doctors, please give great endurance. Help them rest that You know them, and they are not far from Your hand, ever. Show them your with-ness towards them daily.
* Please equip doctors to support their patients well, and we pray for specific healing and direction today for …
* We ask that You Jesus, would give us vision for the future. Show us where Your heart is. Give us shared vision as a church. Give us big dreams that will only happen, when You come through.
* Help us never neglect the everyday ways, full of simplicity and intentionality to express love and care of one another.
* Bless the children in our church with stamina and endurance to finish the school year very well. Guide teachers, grandparents and parents as they work together. Let there be celebrations and remembering of your faithfulness, with great rejoicing as the school year ends soon. Breath fresh life into those who are weary, and hold them tight to You as their source of life.

**Our families:**

* Teach us what it means to “seek peace and pursue it.” It’s quite easy to see divisions right now, everywhere. Help us be solely focused on Your Word for our guide, and not others’ opinions or feelings. Instead of helping their be divisions help us know how to pursue peace and unity in …
* I don’t understand or fully know those who are closest to me, and it’s good to admit that. I don’t know them, or myself, like You do. Help me release and accept the truth that nothing is hidden from You. You love my people more than I ever could, that is reassuring because my love is sometimes frail.
* Instead of shame, guilt or anything similar, help me learn humility as I sit at Your feet, and know that I am fully known and they are too.
* I’m seeking your peace in ….
* I’m pursuing You, teach me Lord.

Father God, Your ears have turned towards us, You have heard these prayers. What a gift this is, to be fully known by You.

**In Jesus’ Name, Amen.**