<u>Petition #1</u>: A Prayer of Adoration and Reverence for God and His Word

<u>Scripture Reading</u>:

Psalm 147, Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Scriptural Prayer:

Marvelous Father, we bless Your Holy Name. We proclaim Your unfailing love in the morning and Your faithfulness in the evening. Lord, You are compassionate and merciful, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. Your unfailing love toward those who fear You is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth. Let the whole world fear You, Lord. Let everyone stand in awe of You. Lord, You merely spoke and the heavens were created. You breathed the Word and all the stars were born. Lord, You are our inheritance and hope. Thank You, Father, for Your love and compassion. Thank You for keeping Your covenant with us throughout the ages. Thank You for making us Your people. What a joy it is to be one of Your children. Father, You are good and Your faithful love endures forever.

Mighty God, today, we reverence and honor You. You are our God and we submit our loyalty and adoration to You. You are the First and the Last. You existed before time and created everything that exists. We acknowledge that You are the only living God. There are no other gods. Father, you are merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. You are good to everyone and You shower compassion on all of Your creation. All of Your works will thank You, Lord and we, Your faithful followers, praise You. You are so awesome! We confess that we will obey Your commands, walk in Your ways, and fear You. Father, we confess that Your instructions are perfect, reviving our souls. Your decrees are trustworthy, making wise the simple. Your commandments are right, bringing joy to our hearts. Your commands are clear, giving insight for living. Revering You is pure, lasting forever. Your laws are true and each one is fair. Father, Your Word is more desirable than gold, yes, even the finest gold. Your Word is sweeter than honey dripping from the honeycomb. Your Word warns us and we expect great reward as we obey them. Father, You are great and most worthy of praise. We will praise You at all times and constantly speak of Your praises.

Omnipotent Father, please let Your ears be attentive to our prayer. Holy Spirit, teach us how to reverence and adore our Father in true holiness every day. Please touch the hearts of those who do not revere and adore You, and help them to love You with all their hearts, souls, and strength. Holy Spirit, place in us a hunger and thirst for Your righteousness so that we will be filled.

Compassionate Father, forgive us for sins of pride, rebellion, disobedience, selfishness, hatred, and idolatry. Lord, forgive us for half-hearted worship. Forgive us for disrespecting Your Name and treating You irreverently. Forgive those of us who are parents for not teaching our children to reverence and adore You. Lord, forgive me for (*list any sins that you have committed.*) Holy Spirit, remind each of us of those we need to forgive and help us to be quick to forgive. As for me, Holy Spirit, bring to my remembrance those I need to forgive. (*Take a moment and ask the Holy Spirit to show you names or faces of people that you may need to forgive. As He shows you, say aloud, "I forgive <u>name of person(s)</u>." Now, trust the Lord to heal any wounds in your soul caused by unforgiveness.)*

Omniscient Father, help us to not yield to temptation; but deliver us from the evil one.

Lord, You are the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. You are the God who is, and who was, and who is still to come – the Almighty One. All honor and glory belongs to You, God, forever and ever! You are the eternal King, the unseen One who never dies; You alone are God. Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture References for the Written Text: Psalm 92:2, Psalm 103:8,11, Psalm 33:8-9, Lamentations 3:24, Psalm 136:1, Revelation 1:17, Jeremiah 10:16, Jeremiah 10:10, Psalm 145:8-10, Deuteronomy 8:6, Psalm 19:7-10, Psalm 96:4, Psalm 34:1, Deuteronomy 6:5, Matthew 5:6, Matthew 6:13, Revelation 1:8, I Timothy 1:17

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