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Praying the Bible by Donald S. Whitney Surpasses 100,000 in Print Sales with Crossway

WHEATON, Ill.—Crossway is pleased to announce that Donald S. Whitney’s Praying the Bible (Crossway, July 2015) has surpassed 100,000 units in print sales.

Although prayer is a vital discipline of the Christian life, many Christians struggle to know how they should pray—especially when they find their focus drifting and their prayers becoming increasingly repetitive. In this brief yet profound book, Whitney helps readers transform their prayer lives through the simple method of praying the words of Scripture. Praying the Bible shows Christians how God’s Word can direct their thoughts and words as they pray through passages line by line, deepening their communion with their heavenly Father.

“What you are doing,” writes Whitney, “is taking words that originated in the heart and mind of God and circulating them through your heart and mind back to God. By this means his words become the wings of your prayers.”

Available in both hardcover and ebook formats, Praying the Bible has received commendations from Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth (host of Revive Our Hearts), Bryan Chapell (pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church in Peoria, Illinois), and more.

““This little book is explosive and powerful,” writes Albert Mohler, president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. “Read it ready to experience a great step forward in your walk with Christ and in your commitment to prayer.”

Justin Taylor, Crossway’s publisher for books, comments: “We are so pleased to see the ways in which God is using this little book to connect hearing from God in his Word and then communicating to him in prayer. The material has been changing lives for many years, and we are honored to publish it in book form for the good of the church and unto the glory of God!”

Whitney is the author of Family Worship (Crossway, 2016) and Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life (NavPress, 1991). He also wrote the introduction for the upcoming ESV Prayer Bible (Crossway, April 2019). For more information about the author, visit biblicalspirituality.org.

Praying the Bible
By Donald S. Whitney
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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Donald S. Whitney (PhD, University of the Free State) is professor of biblical spirituality at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. He has written several books related to Christian spirituality, including *Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life* and *Family Worship*.

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“Don Whitney’s suggestion to pray the Bible has made a huge contribution to my devotional life. This little book is explosive and powerful. Read it ready to experience a great step forward in your walk with Christ and in your commitment to prayer.”

R. Albert Mohler Jr., President, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

“My walk with the Lord has often been strengthened and encouraged by Don Whitney’s writing. Now he reminds us of the value of using Scripture as a prompt and basis for our prayers. This is a particularly helpful tool for those of us who often struggle to know what and how to pray or whose minds tend to wander during private prayer. This book will surely help many refresh their time with the Lord.”

Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth, author, Adorned; Teacher and Host, Revive Our Hearts

“If you are looking for a book to teach you not only to pray but also to invigorate your intimacy with God through prayer, this is the one. I highly recommend this book written by a man who has instructed thousands of people about spiritual disciplines in academic circles and in church settings. My soul has been nourished as I have sat under Whitney’s teaching, especially on the topic of prayer. You and I need this book. You will be blessed in more than one way.”

Miguel Núñez, Senior Pastor, International Baptist Church, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; Founding President, Wisdom & Integrity Ministries

“I prayed through Psalm 23 with tears streaming down my face, asking myself, why have I not done this before? Perhaps you’ve been told to pray the Scriptures, but you haven’t because you were never taught how to. Whitney’s simple approach makes praying through the Bible accessible while also leaving space for the Word and Spirit to work in your heart. Don’t give up on prayer! Praying the Bible will help transform your prayer life.”

Trillia Newbell, author, If God Is For Us; Fear and Faith; and United

“Prayer and Scripture intake are both essential for spiritual devotion, like the left and right wings of a plane. Prayer is the Christian’s duty. It should also be the Christian’s delight. Praying the Bible will teach you to take in the joy of Scripture-led prayer.”

H. B. Charles Jr., Pastor, Shiloh Metropolitan Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida
“Whitney offers a wonderfully practical, pastoral, and biblical approach to prayer that relieves personal boredom and unleashes spiritual power. It’s so simple it will shock you and, at the same time, invigorate a renewed prayer life with your God.”

Bryan Chapell, Pastor, Grace Presbyterian Church, Peoria, Illinois

“Whitney has taught the material in this book a number of times at the WorshipGod conferences I lead. Unfailingly his has been one of the most appreciated and life-affecting seminars we’ve offered. I can’t recommend this book highly enough.”

Bob Kauflin, Director, Sovereign Grace Music