

## Serenity Prayer

by Reinhold Niebuhr

God, grant me  
the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,  
the courage to change the things I can,  
and the wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time;  
enjoying one moment at a time;  
accepting hardship as a pathway to peace;  
taking as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is,  
not as I would have it;  
trusting that You will make all things right  
if I surrender to Your will;  
so that I may be reasonably happy in this life  
and supremely happy with You forever in the next.

AMEN

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*But [the Lord] said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."  
Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.  
That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties.  
For when I am weak, then I am strong.*

~ 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

## The Road to Recovery

by Pastor Rick Warren

**R**ealize I'm not God. I admit that I am powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and that my life is unmanageable.

*"Happy are those who know they are spiritually poor."*

~ Matthew 5:3

**E**arnestly believe that God exists, that I matter to Him, and that He has the power to help me recover.

*"Happy are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."*

~ Matthew 5:4

**C**onsciously choose to commit all my life and will to Christ's care and control.

*"Happy are the meek." ~ Matthew 5:5*

**O**penly examine and confess my faults to myself, to God, and to someone I trust.

*"Happy are the pure in heart." ~ Matthew 5:8*

**V**oluntarily submit to every change God wants to make in my life and humbly ask Him to remove my character defects.

*"Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires." ~ Matthew 5:6*

**E**valuate all my relationships. Offer forgiveness to those who have hurt me and make amends for harm I've done to others, except when to do so would harm them or others.

*"Happy are the merciful." ~ Matthew 5:7*

*"Happy are the peacemakers." ~ Matthew 5:9*

**R**eserve a daily time with God for self-examination, Bible reading, and prayer in order to know God and His will for my life and to gain the power to follow His will.

**Y**ield myself to God to be used to bring this Good News to others, both by my example and by my words.

*"Happy are those who are persecuted because they do what God requires." ~ Matthew 5:10*