

# Prayers

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**The Serenity Prayer**

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.

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**Third Step Prayer**

God, I offer myself to Thee – to build with me and to do with me as Thou wilt.  
Relieve me of the bondage of self, that I may better do Thy will.  
Take away my difficulties, that victory over them may bear witness to those I would help of Thy Power, Thy Love, and Thy Way of life. May I do Thy will always. Amen

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**Seventh Step Prayer**

My Creator, I am now willing that You should have all of me, good and bad. I pray that You now remove from me every single defect of character that stands in the way of my usefulness to You and my fellows. Grant me strength as I go out from here to do Your bidding. Amen

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**Attitude**

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life.  
Attitude, to me, is more important than facts.  
It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do.  
It is more important than appearance, giftedness, or skill.  
It will make or break a company . . . a church . . . a home.  
The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past. We cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it.  
And so it is with you. We are in charge of our Attitudes.  
- Charles Swindoll.