

NINE EFFECTIVE SPIRITUAL HOME REMEDIES

1. **“A LITTLE MORE PATIENCE”** to bear up with this person, who is not at all congenial to me.
2. **“A LITTLE MORE FIRMNESS”** to continue with this work, which duty demands and which is so repellant to me.
3. **“A LITTLE MORE HUMILITY”** to remain at the post to which God has led me and which does not correspond with my dreams and my plans.
4. **“A LITTLE MORE COMMON SENSE”** to take people as they are, and not as I should like them to be.
5. **“A LITTLE MORE PRUDENCE”** to bother as little as possible about others and their affairs.
6. **“A LITTLE MORE STRENGTH”** to endure an event which suddenly and profoundly disturbs my peace of soul.
7. **“A LITTLE MORE CHEERFULNESS”** so as not to show I have been hurt.
8. **“A LITTLE MORE UNSELFISHNESS”** in trying to understand the thoughts and feelings of others.
9. Above all **“A LITTLE MORE PRAYER”** to draw God to my heart and take counsel with Him.

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NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Make me a point of contact, Lord,
whereby the Holy Spirit may enter
into those I touch whether by
The word I say,
The prayer I pray, or
The life I live.



NINE DAYS OF PRAYER

BEGIN WITH THE FOLLOWING PRAYER...

O Holy Spirit, Divine Consoler!
 I adore you as my true God.
 I bless you by uniting myself to the praises
 You receive from the angels and saints.
 I offer you my whole heart, and I render You
 heartfelt thanks
 for all the benefits You have bestowed
 and so unceasingly bestow upon the world.
 You are the author of all supernatural gifts
 and who did enrich with immense favors the soul
 of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God,
 I beseech You to visit me by Your grace and Your love.
 O Holy Spirit, Spirit of Truth, come into our hearts:
 shed the brightness of Your light on all nations,
 that they may be of one faith and pleasing to You.
 Amen.

TURN TO PRAYER FOR THE DAY...

(Final Prayer)

Come, Holy Spirit,
 Fill the hearts of your faithful,
 Kindle in them the fire of Your love.
 Send forth Your Spirit, and
 They shall be created, and
 You shall renew the face of the Earth.
 Amen.

PRAYER FOR: DAY NINE

O Lord, Holy Spirit,
 grant me sight to see
 the wondrous promise of divine love;
 insight to see my own weakness;
 delight in Your divine presence in my soul
 which You have made Your temple
 through sanctifying grace.
 I pray, O Holy Spirit, that I may be not doubting;
 that I be spared the pain of being alone
 without trust or hope in Christ;
 that my prayer may always be
 "My Lord and my God!"
 I pray that I may acquire a sense of retreat to prayer
 and recollection at various times in my daily life;
 for prayer is the bond that joins us to Christ.
 I pray that I may be aware
 of the physical needs of the poor
 and that I may share what I can with them
 in the charitable works of the Church.
 I pray, O Holy Spirit, that You will in Your mercy
 grant me the favor I have sought in this novena...

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

(Final Prayer - on the inside front cover)

PRAYER FOR: DAY EIGHT

O Holy Spirit,
 life and light of the Church,
 give us thoughts higher than our own thoughts,
 and prayers better than our own prayers,
 and powers beyond our own powers,
 that we may love and live,
 imitating Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.
 Come to us, Holy Spirit,
 come with the Father and the Son
 and grant me the favor I so earnestly request
 in this novena...

Promise to dwell within our souls
 and quickly make our hearts Your own.
 Quench in us the fires of hate and strife,
 the wasting fever of the heart.
 From perils guard our feeble life
 and to our souls Your peace impart.
 Let voice and mind and heart and strength
 confess and glorify Your name
 and let the fire of charity burn bright
 and other hearts inflame.

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

(Final Prayer - on the inside front cover)

PRAYER FOR: DAY ONE

O Holy Spirit,
 bestow upon us Your seven holy gifts.
 Enlighten our understanding that we may know You.
 Give us wisdom that Your will may be clear to us
 and that we may accept it.
 Grant us the gift of counsel
 that we may always perceive what is right.
 Fortify us that we may always be capable
 of fulfilling Your Divine Will.
 Inspire us with the spirit of learning
 that we may be able to penetrate more deeply
 into the truths that You have revealed.
 Let our hearts be steeped in the spirit of childlikeness
 that we may bring You joy.
 Let us have proper fear of God
 that we may never grieve You
 or wander from the path of goodness.
 Give us the fullness of Your gifts
 that we may glorify You.
 Look with compassion upon us,
 O Holy Spirit,
 and grant us the favor we seek in this novena...

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

(Final Prayer - on the inside front cover)

PRAYER FOR: DAY TWO

O Holy Spirit,
 make me faithful in every thought,
 and grant that I may always listen to your voice,
 and watch for Your light,
 and follow Your gracious inspirations.
 I cling to You,
 and give myself to You,
 and ask You by Your compassion
 to watch over me in my weakness.
 Holding the pierced feet of Jesus,
 looking at His Five Wounds,
 trusting in His Precious Blood,
 adoring His opened side and stricken heart,
 I implore You adorable Spirit,
 helper of my infirmity,
 to keep me in Your grace,
 now and always,
 and grant us the favor we ask in this novena...

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

(Final Prayer - on the inside front cover)

PRAYER FOR: DAY SEVEN

Come, Holy Spirit, creator of all things:
 come visit our hearts with Your power.
 Fill with grace, friendly guest,
 the hearts which You have created.
 You are called the Consoler, gift from the hand of God,
 source of life, light, love, and flame, highest good.
 You are the pledge of sevenfold grace,
 finger of the Father's hand, promised us by Him,
 and You make our tongues speak the truth.
 Cast light on our senses, pour love into our hearts.
 Grant our weak bodies strength
 that they may never grow weary of doing good
 and grant me the favor I so earnestly seek in this novena...

Keep the enemy far from us, give us peace always,
 let us willingly follow in Your footsteps
 that we may be far removed from sin.
 Grant that through You,
 we may grow in knowledge of the Father and of the Son,
 and that we may ever strongly believe in You,
 the Spirit of both.
 Praise and honor be forever to the Father on the highest
 throne, in the risen Son of God, in the Consoler.

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

(Final Prayer - on the inside front cover)

PRAYER FOR: DAY SIX

O Father in Heaven,
 I beg You to send the Holy Spirit.
 May Your Holy Spirit remind me
 when I am apt to forget Your law.
 Your love, Your promises.
 May Your Holy Spirit strengthen my memory
 to recall frequently Your sanctity,
 omniscience, wisdom, and goodness,
 faithfulness, and love.
 May Your Holy Spirit encourage me when I am
 slothful; strengthen me when I am weak;
 enlighten me when I no longer can help myself.
 Breathe into me, O Holy Spirit,
 that I may do what is holy.
 Stir me, that I may love what is holy.
 Strengthen me, that I may preserve what is holy.
 Protect me, Holy Spirit,
 that I may never lose what is holy
 and grant me the favor I so earnestly seek in this novena...

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

(Final Prayer - on the inside front cover)

PRAYER FOR: DAY THREE

Heavenly Father,
 You have called me to be a member
 of the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ,
 and to be a temple of the Holy Spirit.
 I ask You to give me these gifts of the Holy Spirit:
 Wisdom, that I may understand
 the follies of this world;
 Understanding, that I may grasp more fully
 the meaning of my existence
 and the purpose of all things in the world;
 Counsel, that I may always choose the proper way;
 Fortitude, that I may remain faithful to You
 under the pressure of temptation;
 Piety, that I may revere You in all I do, think or say;
 Fear of the Lord, that should the motive of love fail me,
 I may quickly be awakened to the eternal
 consequences of my deeds.
 Visit me by Your grace and Your love
 and grant me the favor I so earnestly seek in this novena...

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

(Final Prayer - on the inside front cover)

PRAYER FOR: DAY FOUR

O God,
 Who today by the light of the Holy Spirit
 did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
 give us, by the light of the same Holy Spirit,
 a love for what is right and just
 and a constant enjoyment of His comforts.
 Pray Holy Spirit,
 that I may strive to learn more of my faith;
 that I may ever be conscious
 that reason in all its human magnificence
 is capable of grasping but a glimpse
 of the reality that is God.
 Pray that I may accept
 as the motto of my life:
 "All for the greater glory of God"
 and grant me the favor I so earnestly seek in this novena...

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

(Final Prayer - on the inside front cover)

PRAYER FOR: DAY FIVE

Come, O Spirit of sanctity,
 from the glory of heaven
 and send forth the radiance of Your light.
 Father of all the poor,
 light and peace of all hearts,
 come with Your countless gifts.
 Consoler in desolation;
 refreshment full of loveliness,
 come dear friend of my soul.
 In weariness send repose;
 breath gently cool refreshing breeze;
 Console the desolate who weep alone.
 Light of Beatitude, make our hearts ready;
 come enter our souls.
 Without Your grace, man stands alone;
 he cannot be good or sure.
 Cleanse what is soiled; heal what is wounded;
 moisten what is arid.
 Bend the stubborn will; warm the cold heart;
 guide the wandering footstep.
 O Holy Spirit,
 we beg You to give us grace through Your sevenfold power
 and grant me the favor I so earnestly seek in this novena...

(Pause, in silence ... state your request)

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