

# On Wings Like a Dove

A Ministry for the Loved ones of Prodigals and Prisoners

Psalm 55:6



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## Pray Support Group

1st Monday of each Month  
Calvary Central  
5000 County Club Rd  
Rom B 1309  
6:30 to 8:00pm

October 6

Speaker: **Tonja Fultz**  
Goodwill Reentry

November 3

Speaker: **Bob McCaskill**  
Celebrate Recovery

December 1

Speaker: **Veronica Beddick**  
Al Anon

## Make a Child's Christmas!

Pack a

**Treasure Box**  
for a child of

a

prisoner/prodigal!

Deadline: 12/1

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"The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love." Galatians 5:6b

## Words from Sandra

### Will You Stand in the Gap?

"I looked for someone among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none."  
Ezekiel 22:30

A gap, by definition represents a place of weakness, vulnerability and danger. It is a defenseless location of exposure and limitation, a point where people face real threats.

*In the Gap*

By Wilfredo DeJesus

A few years ago I dedicated a chapter in my book "Where was the Prodigal's Mother?" to standing in the gap. I wrote, "As a mother, I am determined to stand in the gap for my son's very soul, and I will never give up crying out to the Lord for his very life."

Over the years, I have seen the fruit of those prayers. Recently our son said, "Mom, I was an idiot

when I used drugs." How I longed to hear that years ago, but I am rejoicing in it today. God has certainly answered this mother's prayer and brought our son back from the enemies camp, just as He promised.

Standing in the gap is costly. It costs us time, energy perseverance, and to often, pain. Pain as we wait for God's answer. I love this quote from the book *In the Gap*: "The astounding truth Jesus taught was this: When we stand in the gap for hurting, discouraged people who are often difficult to love, He considers that we're actually pouring out our love on Him, and nothing pleases Him more!"

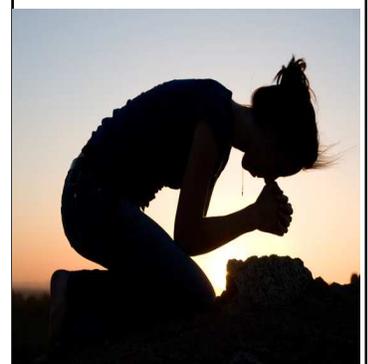
What would it look like if we chose to stand in the gap for not only our prodigals but ALL prodigals - Yes, even those who might be difficult to love. Just as we read it's an act of pouring out our love on Him.

The Bible speaks about many who stood in the gap:

**Esther** for the Jews  
**Paul** for the Gentiles  
**Jonah** for the people of Ninevah  
**Noah** as we preached for 120 years  
**Nehemiah** as he rebuilt the wall.

Think about this... How will YOU commit to stand in the gap...

- ⇒ For America
- ⇒ For Israel
- ⇒ For Prodigals
- ⇒ For Marriages
- ⇒ For the Church
- ⇒ For Hurting Families
- ⇒ For the Prisoner
- ⇒ For the Drug Dealer



## Will YOU Stand in the Gap?

# Standing in the Gap

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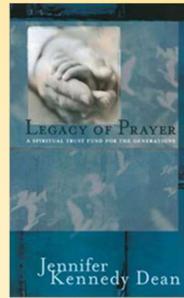
I'll stand in the gap for my son  
I'll stand till the victory is won  
This one thing I know, that You love him so,  
And your work in my son is not done  
I'll stand in the gap everyday and there I will  
fervently pray,  
And Lord, don't let me waver  
If things get quite rough, which they may,  
I'll never give up on that boy.  
Nor will You, for You promised him joy,  
For I know that it's true when he said yes to You,  
Though the enemy seeks to destroy  
I'll not quit as I intercede for You are his  
Savior indeed.  
Though it may take years  
I give You my fears as I trust every moment I plead  
And so in the gap I will stand  
Heeding your every command  
With help from above I'll  
unconditionally love,  
And soon he will reach for  
Your hand!



# Legacy of Prayer

Author:

Jennifer Kennedy Dean



*Your prayers can bring God's intervention into the future circumstances of your children and their descendants for generations to come.*

*Prayer is not merely a tradition to pass down, but a time-transcendent power that dramatically transforms the hearts and lives of your children and generations after them. Author Jennifer Kennedy Dean shows through Scripture that God has initiated a covenant with believers to cover their children, and prayer is the conduit that brings the power of that covenant into the circumstances of the earth.*

*For those with unsaved or prodigal children, the end of the story has not yet been told. As Dean notes, "Prayer is so effective that when our children are away from us, we can continue to parent them through our prayers. Our prayers are more powerful even than our presence. It is beyond our imaginations what prayer can effect in the earth. Though the world around your children may crumble, you can leave them a legacy that will never pass away".*

# Engaging in Prayer Warfare

**ALWAYS Praise and Worship!** Enter into the presence of The Lord of Hosts with Praise! Only in His throne room will you get His orders and praise and worship are the warfare.

**Confess and repent of personal sin.** Present clean hands and a pure heart by the blood of Jesus. Get clean under the armor, and put on the armor. In doing so, you are putting on the armor of all of Jesus. You are pleading the covenant of Jesus by which God binds Himself to you.

**Seek God.** Ask Him to lead you as children/warriors. Submit to the Lord of hosts.

**Ask Him what His agenda is, what He sees, and what His battle is.** Discern His target and His strategy. Ask what the real issues are, not surface situations.

**Acknowledge the areas that rightly stand in God's judgment.** Acknowledge and identify with corporate sin, As Ezra, Nehemiah and Daniel did. Cry to God. Plead His mercy. This is what it means to stand in the gap between the righteous judgments of our Holy God on behalf of a person or situation. Ezra 9:7, Nehemiah 1:6-7, Daniel 9:16

**Wait on Him using the Scriptures.** Ask Him to lead you to specific Scripture verses to pray. Trust Him to give the orders and the timing of His strategy.

**Always establish the names of God.** Stand against the enemy's works, and lift the banners of the names of God.

**Persevere in prayer and praise** until God assures you in your spirit by His Spirit that the victory has been WON.

**Thank HIM for revealing His heart to you,** for allowing you to be his instrument of intercession, **AND for His answers** – already sealed with His promises!

EXCERPTED FROM PRAYER  
PORTIONS BY SYLVIA GUNTER