



Petition

1. *What is a Petition?*
2. *How to write one.*

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1. What is a Petition?

A petition is a written prayer, which acts almost like a legal document. The use of petitions is a very effective form of prayer and warfare. We encourage you to study the points below, and to then write your own petition, based on these guidelines. Ask the Holy Spirit to lead you ... always remember He is our Perfect Counsellor and will lead us into all Truth!

1 Timothy 2:1 *“FIRST OF all, then, I admonish and urge that **petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings** be offered on behalf of all men,”*



We see that petitions are one of the four different forms of prayer. It is vital that we make use of this weapon in our pursuit of GOD's Fullness for our lives.

There are three Hebrew - **shelah** (Strong's 7596); **mishalah** (Strong's 4862); **bagga shah** (Strong's 1245/6) - words translated as **petition**. The words have the meaning of "to ask, beg, borrow, lay to charge, consult, demand, desire earnestly, inquire, pray, request, require, petition, or wish".

We've seen that each letter of the Hebrew aleph-bet has it's own "picture-form". When these picture-forms are put together (as used in a word), we get a deeper understanding of the word and it's meaning. Let's have a look at the picture-forms of the Hebrew word for "petition", spelled SH-L-H:

- **Sh** (Shin) = ascending flames of fire.
- **L** (Lamed) = tongues exhorting, prodding.
- **H** (Hey) = window or opening in a tent.

Putting the picture-forms together, we understand that a "**petition** is when our **tongue** is prodding, pushing, and **pleading** ... and the words that are spoken are likened to **flames** of fire that **reach** into the Throne Room through the **window of Heaven**".

The word **petition** has a legal connotation. We can only present our petitions before GOD's Throne if we stand on legal ground ... and our petitions will be granted if we find favour in GOD's Sight.

The question is then ... what legal ground do we have?

Our foundation is the Covenant we are partnered in with GOD Almighty through the Blood of Messiah Y'shua¹ (Jesus). This is the highest Covenant there is, where GOD gave us His Son, Whose Blood is the COMPLETE Sacrifice for our sins. Our FAITH in Him gives us legal right to come **boldly** before FATHER GOD.

Let's have a look at some of the Scriptures concerning the use of petitions.

Samuel and Hannah ...

Remember the story of Hannah? She was married to and greatly loved by her husband, Elkanah ... however, Hannah was barren. Her prayer/petition was to ask the LORD to open her womb, and grant her children.

1 Samuel 1:10-12, 17 *"And (Hannah) was in **distress of soul, praying to the LORD and weeping bitterly. She vowed, saying, O LORD of hosts, if You will indeed look on the affliction of Your handmaid and (earnestly) remember, and not forget Your handmaid but will give me a son, I will give him to the LORD all his life; no razor shall touch his head. And as she continued praying before the LORD, Eli noticed her mouth. 17Then Eli said, Go in peace, and may the GOD of Israel grant your **petition** which you have asked of Him."***

Eli calls Hannah's prayer before the LORD a **petition**.

1 Samuel 1:15-16 *"But Hannah answered, No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit. I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I was pouring out my soul before the LORD. Regard not your handmaid as a wicked woman; for out of my great complaint and bitter provocation I have been speaking."*

We see in the passage above, Hannah cried to the LORD, pouring out her soul before the LORD. She brought her **petition** before the LORD out of her great "complaint and bitter provocation".

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In this account, we see the usage of the meaning of the Hebrew word **shelah** (Strong's 7596) - specifically, "**to earnestly desire**".

Reading on to verse twenty-seven, we see the LORD granted Hannah her petition! She had found favour in His Sight!

To petition, your soul **must be poured out** to the LORD. It is a cry from your heart.

The favour of the LORD comes upon those who cry from the heart to Him.

Psalm 9:12 "12 For He Who avenges the blood (of His people shed unjustly) remembers them; He does not forget the cry of the afflicted (the poor and the humble)."

Psalm 20:4-5 "5 We will (shout in) triumph at your salvation and victory, and in the Name of our GOD we will set up our banners. **May the LORD fulfill all your petitions.**"

Let's look at an example in Scripture when the Hebrew word **mishalah** (Strong's 4862) is used in terms of a petition.

Adonijah and Bathsheba ...

In the following passage, we see Adonijah, one of David's sons, petitioning Bathsheba, seeking her influence with Solomon.

1 Kings 2:13-18 "Adonijah, the son of (David and) Haggith, came to Bathsheba, the mother of Solomon. She said, Do you come peaceably? And he said, Peaceably. He said, I have something to say to you. And she said, Say on. He said, You know that the kingdom belonged to me (as the eldest living son), and all Israel looked to me to reign. However, the kingdom has passed from me to my brother; for it was his from the LORD. Now **I make one request** of you; do not deny me. And she said, Say on. He said, I pray you, ask King Solomon, for he will not refuse you, to give me Abishag the Shunammite to be my wife. 18 And Bathsheba said, Very well; I will speak for you to the king."

Esther ...



We all know the story of Esther ... how she was born "for such a time as this" to save her people. After fasting three days, Esther is ready to speak to the king regarding her people and the edict Haman declared ... she puts on her royal robes and goes into the inner court of the king's palace, close to his throne room. When the king saw her, she obtained favor in his sight. He asked what her request (**petition**) was and told her that he **would grant** her whatever it might be.

Esther 5:1-8 “ON THE third day (of the fast) Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the royal or inner court of the king’s palace opposite his (throne room). The king was sitting on his throne, facing the main entrance of the palace. And when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, **she obtained favor in his sight**, and he held out to (her) the golden scepter that was in his hand. So Esther drew near and touched the tip of the scepter. Then the king said to her, What will you have, Queen Esther? **What is your request?** It shall be given you, even to the half of the kingdom. And Esther said, If it seems good to the king, let the king and Haman come this day to the dinner that I have prepared for the king. Then the king said, Cause Haman to come quickly, that what Esther has said may be done. So the king and Haman came to the dinner that Esther had prepared. And during the serving of wine, the king said to Esther, What is your petition? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of the kingdom, it shall be performed. Then Esther said, **My petition and my request is:** If I have found favor in the sight of the king and if it pleases the king to grant my petition and to perform my request, let the king and Haman come tomorrow to the dinner that I shall prepare for them; and I will do tomorrow as the king has said.”

Esther 7:2-3 “And the king said again to Esther on the second day when wine was being served, **What is your petition**, Queen Esther? It shall be granted. And what is your request? Even to the half of the kingdom, it shall be performed. Then Queen Esther said, If I have found favor in your sight, O king and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me at my **petition** and my people at my request.”

Esther 9:12 “And the king said to Esther the queen, The Jews have slain and destroyed 500 men in Shushan, the capital, and the ten sons of Haman. What then have they done in the rest of the king’s provinces! **Now what is your petition? It shall be granted to you.** Or what is your request further? It shall be done.”

The Bride of Messiah ...

We must also put on the Royal Robes of Righteousness. We have the legal right to do this by our FAITH in Y’shua Ha’Mashiach (Jesus Christ)! Because of what Y’shua (Jesus) has done, we can come with **boldness** into the very Throne Room of GOD (**Esther 5:1**)!

Praise be to GOD! We can come before the King and Kings! We know we have found favor in His Sight when we come, purified by the Blood of Messiah Y’shua (Jesus).

We need to search our hearts and confess all known sin. ALL sin, including standing in the gap for the sins committed by our ancestors, must be brought under the Blood of Y’shua (Jesus).

Psalm 24: 3-4 “Who shall go up into the mountain of the LORD? Or who shall stand in His Holy Place? **He who has clean hands and a pure heart**, who has not lifted himself up to falsehood or to what is false, nor sworn deceitfully.”

A RHEMA Word (live, vibrant, energized, and personal) from GOD, **based on the Scriptures**, concerning our specific request (petition) is also part of the legal ground and platform we need to present our petition.

2. Steps to writing a petition

1. Our petitions start with a **declaration of Who our GOD IS**. Our GOD is the GOD of Israel, the GOD of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob ... GOD the FATHER, GOD the Son, and GOD the Holy Spirit. This declaration is like a trumpet call in the heavenlies.

Numbers 10:9 *“When you go to war in your land against the enemy that oppresses you, then blow an alarm with the trumpets, that you may be remembered before the LORD your GOD, and you shall be saved from your enemies.”*

In the verse above, we see that a trumpet call causes GOD to remember us and to causes His Favor and Grace to shine upon us. This we truly need to have VICTORY over the enemy.



2. **State the legal ground** we stand on ... our faith in the Covenantal Promises of GOD, through the Blood of Y'shua (Jesus).
3. Now we can state our **specific request**. This can be for marriage, children, salvation of a loved one, protection during a certain time, finances, spiritual break through and growth, memories to surface, or any roots hidden that blocks GOD's Fullness, SHALOM, in our lives.

****Note**** Every petition will be **unique**. For each petition one needs to search the Scriptures and ask GOD and the Holy Spirit to give you a RHEMA word for your specific requests. This is part of the effectiveness of petitioning. It is NOT a formula or recipe ... but your heart being poured out to your FATHER King.

4. Sign the petition and get someone to stand in agreement with you. Use the Covenant Meal as a prophetic symbol of the Covenant. Declare the petition SEALED with the Blood of the Lamb! Always write the DATE to establish the petition in the heavens, the earth, the waters, and under the earth!

Prayer of Agreement

Matthew 18:18-20 *“Truly I tell you, whatever you forbid and declare to be improper and unlawful on earth must be what is already forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit and declare proper and lawful on earth must be what is already permitted in heaven. Again I tell you, **if two of you on earth agree** (harmonize together, make a symphony together) about whatever (anything and everything) they may ask, **it will come to pass and be done for them by My FATHER in heaven.** For wherever two or three are gathered (drawn together as My followers) in (into) My name, there I AM in the midst of them. (Exodus 3:14.)”*

The Scriptures assures us that if we stand in agreement with GOD’s Will in His Word, as well as where two or three of us agree about whatever we ask, He WILL grant us our request.

The following is an example of an introduction to a petition.

3. Example of how to write a petition

FATHER GOD of Israel, in the Name in Y’shua (Jesus) Your Son, I humbly come into Your Presence. As Judge of the Universe, I petition You to allow me to bring my case to Your Court. I ask You to judge between _____ (state your case) and satan.

FATHER, I proclaim that I come before You under the covering of the Precious Blood of Messiah Y’shua (Jesus Christ) and by FAITH I have been made righteous.

I declare by faith in Messiah Y’shua (Jesus Christ) of Nazareth that I am part of the House of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and therefore included into the Covenantal Promises.

It is on these grounds of the faith that You are MY Stronger Partner in the Covenant which You originally made with Abraham, that I present my petition before You with boldness.

AMEN!

4. Granting permission to Therapist / Counsellor to pray for Individual

I agree to follow a therapy process with the therapist/counsellor rooted in the Word of God, and our shared faith that the God of Israel as proclaimed in the Bible, is the true Creator of all things and that Jesus Christ of Nazareth is the Son of this God and the only true Messiah.

That He died on the cross, descended into hell, triumphed over Satan and all his powers, was raised from the dead and triumphed over it and ascended into Heaven where He is seated at the right hand of God the Father, reigning as King until every foe is crushed underneath His feet.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the true God of Israel, and part of the Holy Trinity. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only Mediator between God and man and that He paid the price to redeem us all. The Holy Spirit is our Comforter, our Helper and our Advocate.

In the therapy process we are totally dependent on the God we worship as described above, the Holy Trinity.

I agree that the counsellor/therapist can pray for me under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Word of God and to allow information to come into the light in our sessions or otherwise.

We pray the Blood of Jesus Christ over this agreement and we seal this agreement with the Blood of Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

We pray Father God of Israel, in the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, that this agreement will stand in the spirit and be a counter-petition. We stand on the protection of Ps 91, because of the Blood covenant towards me, the counsellor and my loved ones and all God has entrusted to me in goods and ministry as well as the counselee and their families. And therefore we ask that Satan or his forces will not be able to damage or weaken this agreement in any way.

We base this on **Matthew 18:18-20**.

Date: _____

Signed: _____
Individual

Counsellor / Therapist

Matthew 18:18-20 *"I tell you the truth, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in Heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in Heaven. Again, I tell you, that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in Heaven. For where two or three come together in My Name, there am I with them."*

Declaration² of CONFIDENCE in GOD's Protection

No weapon that is formed against us shall prosper and every tongue, which rises against us in judgment, we do condemn. This is our heritage as servants of the LORD, and our righteousness is from You, O LORD of Hosts. If there are those who have been speaking or praying against us, or seeking harm or evil to us, or who have rejected us, we forgive them and, having forgiven them, we bless them in the Name of the LORD

Matthew 5:43-45 *"You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy; But I tell you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, To show that you are the children of your FATHER Who is in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the wicked and on the good, and makes the rain fall upon the upright and the wrongdoers (alike)."*

Romans 12:14 *"Bless those who persecute you (who are cruel in their attitude toward you); bless and do not curse them."*

Now we declare, O LORD, that You and You alone are our GOD, and besides You there is no other — a just GOD and Saviour, the FATHER, the Son and the Spirit — and we worship You!

We submit ourselves afresh to You this day in unreserved obedience. Having submitted to You, LORD, we do as Your Word directs. We resist the devil — all his pressures, his attacks, and his deceptions, every instrument or agent he would seek to use against us. We do not submit! We resist him, drive him from us and exclude him from us in the Name of Y'shua (Jesus). Specifically, we reject and repel infirmity, pain, infection, inflammation, malignancies, allergies, viruses and every form of witchcraft.

Finally, LORD, we thank You that through the sacrifice of Y'shua (Jesus) on the cross, we have passed out from under the curse and entered into the blessing of Abraham, whom You blessed in all things — exaltation, health, reproduction, prosperity, victory and GOD's Favour.

Galatians 3:13-14 *"Christ purchased our freedom (redeeming us) from the curse (doom) of the Law (and its condemnation) by (Himself) becoming a curse for us, for it is written (in the Scriptures), Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree (is crucified); To the end that through (their receiving) Christ Jesus, the blessing (promised) to Abraham might come upon the Gentiles, so that we through faith might (all) receive (the realization of) the promise of the (Holy) Spirit."*

AMEN!

² Written by Derek and Ruth Prince

Sealing-Off Prayer BEFORE Deliverance

Dear Heavenly FATHER, we come to You in the Name of Messiah Y'shua³ (Jesus Christ) of Nazareth. We thank You that You are GOD Almighty and that You are The Great I AM.

We thank You that You have given us the Holy Spirit to be the Counsellor, Standby, Advocate, Teacher, the Deliverer.

We thank You for Your Presence and for Your Deliverance Anointing — it is the Anointing that will break the yoke.

Come and fill us with Your Spirit, Compassion, Love, Discernment, Word of Knowledge, Wisdom, Interpretation, and Insight.

We as Your children choose to crucify the flesh so that nothing from ourselves will be transferred here. We clothe ourselves with Your Priestly Garments to fulfill the calling You have upon our lives. Open our spiritual eyes and ears FATHER.

Thank You FATHER, that You have given us all the power over the enemy and that nothing shall in any way harm us.

Luke 10:19 *“Behold! I have given you authority and power to trample upon serpents and scorpions, and (physical and mental strength and ability) over all the power that the enemy (possesses); and nothing shall in any way harm you.”*

We forbid any interference with the work of the Holy Spirit.

FATHER, we come against any communication lines (according to **Ephesians 6:12**) between, the powers, world-rulers, principalities, spiritual hosts, and demonic hosts in the air, earth, heavenlies, and under the earth. We close off all entrances and exits, in the Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We ask that all spiritual cameras and recorders be smashed in Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ). We come against any witches, witch doctors, magicians, and wizards in the Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ). We cut off all communication with satan himself and close the doors in the Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We forbid any spirit from the outside to enter this place for whatever reason, and we forbid any evil spirit to be sent to any other place or person as a result of what happens here.

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We now forbid any reinforcement of power from the side of satan in the Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ). FATHER, we ask for confusion into the enemy's camp.

FATHER we ask You to set up Your warring angels in this room and arrest any human spirit, dead human spirit, spirit guide, familiar spirit ... and remove them to become the footstool of our King Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We bind every evil spirit in this place and forbid any violence, manifestations, and tormenting in the Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We refuse any meditation circles — isolate any power of demonic forces from each other in the Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We forbid and bind any hypnosis and self-hypnosis, meditation, physic powers in the Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ) of Nazareth. We isolate the powers one from another in Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We cleanse the four elements — water, air, fire, and earth — with the Blood of Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We ask You, FATHER, to cover all mirrors with Your Blood and seal off the gateways in Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We come against any spells, rituals, incantations, hexes, sacrifices, curses, or altars raised up against us and the person.

Thank You that You blow out all candles which may have been lit in rituals against us in Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ). Thank You that all curses are reversed into blessings.

FATHER, we ask that You seal off this room with Your Precious Blood, that You will hide us in the Spirit and declare this room as holy ground.

FATHER, we ask You to send Your ministering angels to come and minister to us in Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ) according to:

Hebrews 1:14 *“Are not the angels all ministering spirits (servants) sent out in the service (of GOD for the assistance) of those who are to inherit salvation?”*

We surrender to You, Holy Spirit of GOD, because we know that it is not by might, nor by power, but by Your Spirit (**Zechariah 4:6**) says the FATHER!

We ask that You cover our loved ones and we place all circumstances under Your Control and Protection (our finances, marriages, relationships, ministries). We now bind satan's kingdom here on earth just as it is bound in heaven.

We ask You FATHER to prepare the heavenly courtroom and that all the demons and familiar spirits come and take their places.

We ask You FATHER to be the Judge, Y'shua (Jesus) the Advocate, and the Holy Spirit the Witness.

Thank You for Your Word:

Revelation 12:11 *“And they have overcome (conquered) him by means of the blood of the Lamb and by the utterance of their testimony, for they did not love and cling to life even when faced with death (holding their lives cheap till they had to die for their witnessing).”*

We have overcome the enemy by the Blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony!

In the Name of Messiah Y’shua (Jesus).

AMEN!

In this section following the introduction of the petition, always use the RHEMA Word — based on the Scriptures — that the Holy Spirit has given you concerning your situation and request.

The following are some Scriptures concerning some common petitions:

Marriage	Hebrews 13:4 1 Corinthians 7:13-14
Loved ones to be saved	Jude 23 2 Peter 3:9
Safety and protection	Psalms 91 Jeremiah 15:20-21
Memories to surface	Luke 12:2-3 Exodus 23:29-30

Wrapping-Up Prayer AFTER Deliverance (for the counsellor)

Dear Heavenly FATHER,

Thank You for the work being done here today. We pray against any whiplash, backlash, and judgment from the enemy in the Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We ask FATHER, that You will cut any un-Godly spirit/soul-ties formed in the spirit because of the deliverance that took place, also any transference that took place between their spirit, soul, and body to my spirit, soul and body. We plant the Cross of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ) between myself and the counselee. Thank You that no transference will take place. We take Your Comprehensive Insurance for our families, relationships, and possessions.

We ask that You will cleanse and purify this property and this room with the Blood of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ) of Nazareth and Your Holy Fire, that no demon will attach itself to any object and all human and dead human spirits be removed by Your escort angels to the footstool of King Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ). That all defilement be removed and swept away with Your Broom of destruction in Name of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

FATHER, we ask that You remove any watchdog and marker demons, that have been assigned by the kingdom of darkness to mark the property in the spirit for a counter attack through astral projection, to the Feet of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ).

We also want to declare the Kingship of Messiah Y'shua (Jesus Christ) of Nazareth over this place and that all openings⁴ are sealed off with Your Blood.

AMEN!

Remember to go before the FATHER and shower yourself with the Water of the Word. You may also want to perform a *mikvah*⁵ (baptism), to symbolize a cleansing after deliverance. Remember too to **enter into praise and worship** and fill yourself with the FATHER's Presence again.

⁴ Openings include telephone and fax lines, computers, water pipes and sewerage, electricity circuits, Wi-Fi networks.

⁵ For additional study, see our book "*J2F Understanding Water Baptism And The Baptism Of The Holy Spirit*"

Priestly Blessing

Numbers 6:24-26

“Y’varekh’kha YHVH v’yishmerekha.

May YHVH bless you and keep you.

Ya’er YHVH panav eleikha vichunekka.

May YHVH make His Face shine on you and show you His favour.

Yissa YHVH panav eleikha v’yasem l’kha shalom.

May YHVH lift up His Face toward you and give you peace.

In this way they are to put My Name on the people of Israel, so that I will bless them.

