A Prayer for Medical Professionals

We pray for those in our congregation and community who you have called into the medical field.

The medical profession is a vocation that deals with the human body which you created 'in your own image.' Just as you are a mystery, so you have made your creation with mystery; complex organisms that no matter how much we learn about ourselves, we continue to find there is more to learn.

We give you praise for the ways that you use these medical professionals for your glory as they use the skills they have spent many years perfecting to help and heal those who are sick. They walk in the footsteps of the prophets, the apostles, and Jesus himself whose very presence brought healing power. We thank you for the joy and grace those in the medical world can feel as they administer your healing touch.

We lament the way the medical vocation can be twisted from its God-given mission of healing into an instrument of harm. We ask that the pain caused intentionally and unintentionally would be mitigated and that those who seek harm may be brought to justice.

We repent of the disparity of access to quality health care and the discrimination that hurts the most vulnerable in our communities. We know this is not your desire. You are bringing us to a world where all peoples and all nations, will bow before you and there will be no more pain or suffering. Create in us and in all those who practice medicine a kingdom-minded heart that welcomes all to be healed.

We ask, God, that the spiritual and moral realm be not neglected within this vocation. For we are citizens of heaven and we bring that identity with us wherever we go. May it influence the work of Christian doctors, nurses, social workers, CNAs, and therapists of all kinds.

We pray for your abundant grace to be with those in the medical profession who are burnt out after serving throughout the pandemic. Some of them were burnt out before the pandemic even began, yet they continued to care for those in need. May those who provide the healing, experience the healing they need in their own lives.

Finally, Lord, we thank you for all the ways you use medical professionals for your kingdom here on Earth. The fruit of their labor is a reflection of your love and compassion for humanity. It's a reminder that you are not blind to our suffering and that one day you will heal our world and restore us for your glory.
In all these things, we pray in the name of Jesus,

Amen.

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