

When he is discouraged:

Lord, I pray for my husband, that Your peace would fill him and bolster him. Please comfort him in ways that only You know how. Draw him closer to You during this time. Lift his spirits and show him his strengths and successes. Bring him encouragement and a reminder of his true identity being found in You. If there is a situation he's dealing with, please show him a solution. Show me, also, how I can support and love him right now. Amen.

Regarding work:

God, right now I pray for my husband and his job. Help him to see purpose in his work, and be able to celebrate that. Please bring him encouragement and successes, whether big or small. Remind him that his identity is ultimately in You. When times are rough, fill him with unexplainable joy and strength. When times are good, show him ways to share Your generous love with his coworkers. Please bless him with uplifting, godly people to interact with, and help him be a light for You. Show me how I can encourage him, too. Thank you for his job and its blessing to us! Amen.

Regarding time spent together:

Thank you, Jesus, for this precious gift you've given us of doing life together! Show me how I can best love my husband and listen to his needs. Bless us with meaningful conversations, deep connections, and a whole lot of laughter and joy. Please remind us again how each of our strengths complements the other's weaknesses. Give us little and big moments that we can celebrate as a couple, and help us to live each day for You. Keep us unified as a team, never against each other. Thank you for bringing us together in Your wisdom. Amen.

In times of joy:

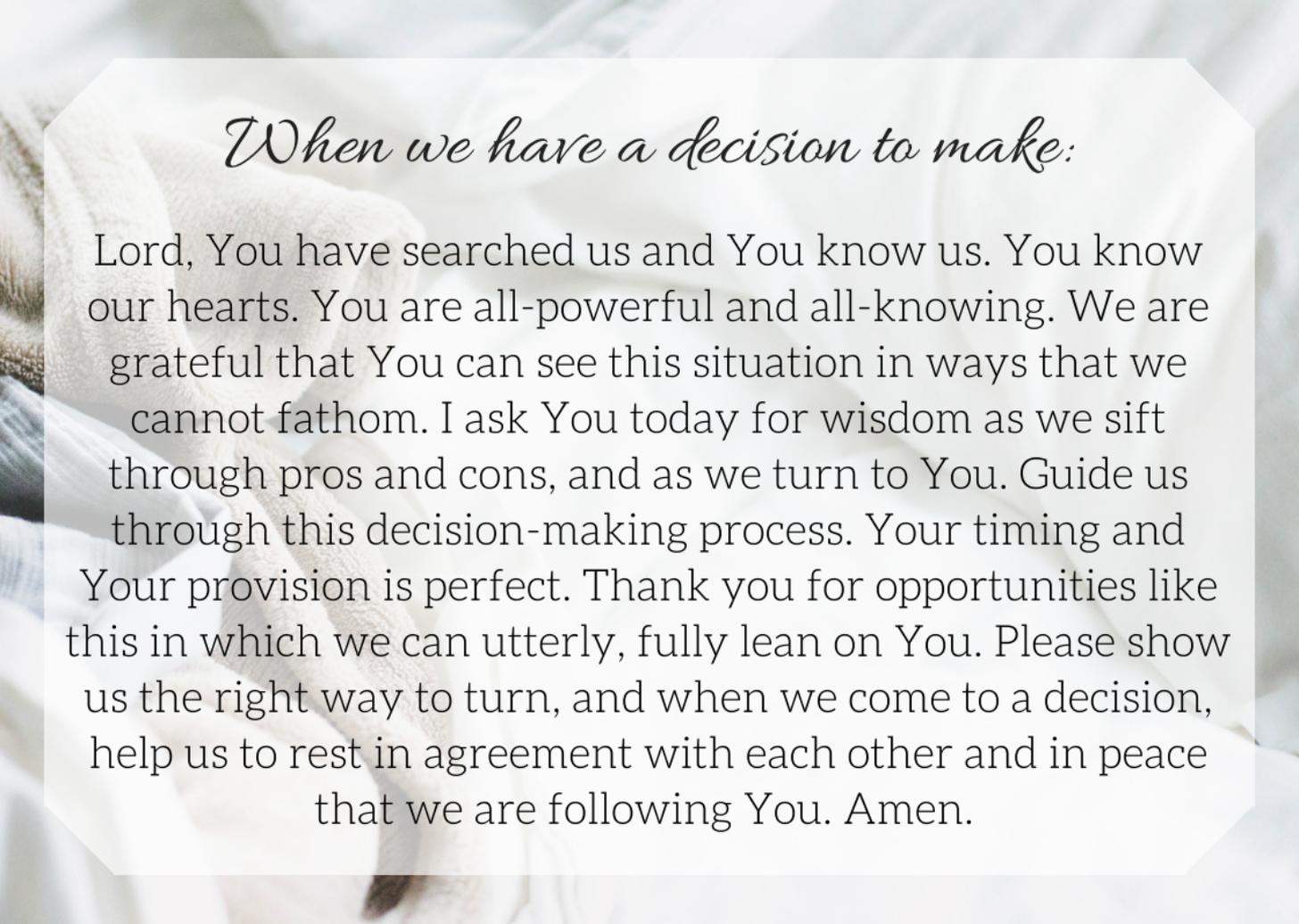
Lord, You have blessed us so richly and abundantly! Thank You for my husband, for our marriage, and for these joyful circumstances to celebrate together! Thank you for the gifts You give us in Your perfect wisdom. Help us to celebrate the good times in a godly way that recognizes You at the heart of it, and fill us with reminders of Your provision when times are hard. I praise You for this opportunity to rejoice and draw close as a couple. We are grateful for all you have given us. Show us ways to be good stewards of your blessings! Amen.

After an argument:

Lord, I come before you with an honest and open heart.

Create a clean heart in me and show me the ways in which I have offended You. I'm sorry for the things I said or thought. Please forgive me and help me as I repent. Would you please show my husband and me a way to draw closer during this conflict? Give me ears to listen, and open my eyes to see ways I have not loved my husband well. Help him to understand me, too.

Please give us the opportunity to restore our relationship and fill us with an attitude of both confession and forgiveness. Give us wisdom, Lord, to see this situation through Your eyes. Amen.



When we have a decision to make:

Lord, You have searched us and You know us. You know our hearts. You are all-powerful and all-knowing. We are grateful that You can see this situation in ways that we cannot fathom. I ask You today for wisdom as we sift through pros and cons, and as we turn to You. Guide us through this decision-making process. Your timing and Your provision is perfect. Thank you for opportunities like this in which we can utterly, fully lean on You. Please show us the right way to turn, and when we come to a decision, help us to rest in agreement with each other and in peace that we are following You. Amen.

Our future children:

Jesus, we bring our future children before You. You are all-knowing and You exist outside of time, so only You know what is in store for us and our family. Thank You for the gift of shepherding little ones in many different contexts. We do not know what the future holds, but we trust You and trust the building of our family to You. Please guide our future children to come into an intimate relationship and understanding of You, Jesus. We want them to live joyfully for You with servant hearts! I promise to do my best to bring them up in the way they should go, so please give me the strength and commitment to do so! Ultimately, I will trust You in the outcome. Amen.