God's Story (Our Story)

You, O God, are God alone.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You, O God, are three in one.

You formed creation out of nothing. You brought light to the darkness.

You created all that is in the heavens and the earth.

You made us in your image. You declared us very good.

You chose us to be your representatives and steward the earth and all that it contains.

Even when we turned away, you did not leave us.

You brought Israel out of Egypt. You saved Israel from slavery.

You made a promise, more than one, that you would bless your people for the sake of the world.

You told Israel how to live righteously. Precisely what will please you.

You spoke through your prophets, reminding us of what is to come.

We did not follow all your commands.

We strayed from what you set out for us.

We needed a Saviour, the perfect sacrifice for our sin.

God our Father, you sent your only Son. Jesus, to be God here on earth.

God in human form.

Jesus, you died on the cross, paying the price for our sin.

Your blood poured out. Your body was broken.

We weep, knowing what we have done.

But through the resurrection death was conquered!

Our hearts sing praises to celebrate your victory.

Holy Spirit, you live within us, a comfort and support.

We are moved to reach the lost, the weak, the poor. Just as was done for us. God, we live in service of you, praying for your Kingdom to be realised here and now.

We know you reign supreme and desire all things to be redeemed.

One day Jesus, you will return, the final judgement will begin.

The new heaven and earth will come to be. Restoration will be complete.

This story is our story, from beginning to end. We remember where we came from. We remember why we are here. We look forward in anticipation to where you will lead us next.

We live our lives in honour of you. We glorify your name.

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God's Story (Our Story): Prayer Points

Suggested prayer points:

 $\mathbf{A} = \text{Adoration}, \mathbf{C} = \text{Confession}, \mathbf{T} = \text{Thanksgiving}, \mathbf{I} = \text{Intercession}, \mathbf{P} = \text{Petition}$

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A your power and glory amazes us

T for blessing us with such beautiful creation

I for those who don't know their identity in you

C we repent of our failures to look after the earth

P help us be good stewards, representing you

A your power and might is something unseen throughout history

T for never leaving Israel, for your everlasting promises

T for your revelation, for making yourself known

C we are sorry for not following all your commands

P guide us in all areas of our lives, lead us where you want us

to go

T for sending your one and only son

I call our friends and family to yourself, call all peoples to
yourself

T for who you are, for what you've done **C** we repent of our sin

P help us to sit in the discomfort

T words cannot express our praise! Thank you for your joy that fills us, for blessing us with eternal life

P help us shine our light in the world for all to see

I open the eyes of others to your glory

T for your Holy SpiritI minister to those who do not yet know youP give us confidence to share your good news

P help us to live in service to others not ourselvesT that your Kingdom is already here but still more is to come

I heal the hurting, break all strongholds

A you are King of all kings, Lord of all lords

P help us stay strong in our faith until the day of restoration **T** for having a plan for our lives

A we are humbled to be called your beloved children

T for adopting us into your family, for making our story your

story

C forgive us for times we put ourselves and other things above you

P help us to glorify you alwaysA we adore you for who you are