

Cardiac (Heart) Surgery Prayer

—For A Warrior of God—

Jesus.

I stand before this operating room, this battlefield to which *You* alone have led me.

You planned this day before I was even born. I see before me a patient inflicted by an enemy that is more dangerous, more devious, stronger, and better prepared for this battle than I.

I admit that I am afraid of making mistakes and hurting my patient in front of everyone.

I admit there is a part of me that wants to turn and walk away—and let someone else fight *my* fight.

Instead, I will do the only thing that I can do—

I cry out to You alone, Jesus.

Yours is the *only* Name upon which I call.

Give me the strength to turn into this battle.

Give me the courage to charge boldly into this fight despite the full knowledge of my weakness.

“For I have no power to face this vast army that is attacking me. I do not know what to do, but my eyes are upon You, Jesus.”

I declare to all my reliance upon You only, Jesus.

I trust in the goodness of Your heart and therefore
the goodness of the outcome of this operation
because *I know You love me.*

Yet still I must actually fight this fight.

I have to step onto the field of battle.

I must stay focused, be strong, persevere, and
operate as efficiently and skillfully as I can...

You have made me a skillful surgeon.

My senses must be alert, my reactions swift, my
mind calm, and my hands sure...

You have given me great hands.

Jesus I need *You* to help me keep the eyes of *my*
heart focused only on *You* during *every moment* of
this great battle.

When it is over and I walk from this operating room
— win or lose —

Let me know that I stood back-to-back with
You alone in the fury of this great day.

In eternity that is all that will be remembered.

Jesus, let *me* know that I knew only *Your* strength.

And let it be known by all who gaze
upon this field of battle —

That the glory is Yours, and Yours alone.

My Lord, my Savior, my Redeemer,
and my Strength in battle —

Jesus.