

Prayer Points for the Election

1 Timothy 2:1-4, "Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, 2 for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth."

1. Our Nation and the Issues It Faces

Pray for the judges of this nation, that they will seek the wisdom that comes from above.

James 3:17 "But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy."

Ask the Lord to thwart the efforts of those who would remove religious freedom from our nation.

Galatians 5:1 "Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage."

Pray for truth to become valued again in American society.

John 8:32 "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Pray that our nation will increasingly see that God is our only refuge in the midst of the troubles of this world.

Psalms 46:1 "God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble."

Psalms 20:7 "Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; But we will remember the name of the Lord our God."

Pray for our government leaders to fulfill God's purpose for the government by rewarding the righteous and punishing the wicked.

1 Peter 2:13-14 "Therefore submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake, whether to the king as supreme, or to governors, as to those who are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and for the praise of those who do good."

Pray for our judicial system and lawmakers—that justice for all, tempered by mercy and compassion, will guide our nation.

Zechariah 7:9 “Thus says the Lord of hosts: ‘Execute true justice, Show mercy and compassion Everyone to his brother.’”

Repent on behalf of our nation, because we have turned from making Scripture the basis of law, leaving behind wisdom and instead, looking to ourselves for truth.

Isaiah 53:6 “All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.”

Ask the Lord to pour out a spirit of repentance on our nation, that we might become a nation committed to following His ways.

Jeremiah 29:13 “And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart.”

Pray that a holy fear of God will sweep across our nation, leading us back to a place of wisdom and walking in the Lord.

Isaiah 50:10 “Who among you fears the Lord? Who obeys the voice of His Servant? Who walks in darkness And has no light? Let him trust in the name of the Lord And rely upon his God.”

2. The Election Process

Pray for wisdom for voters and a safe and fair election.

Proverbs 3:21-23 “My son, let them not depart from your eyes— Keep sound wisdom and discretion; So they will be life to your soul And grace to your neck. Then you will walk safely in your way, And your foot will not stumble.”

Ask the Lord to remove those who might try to unjustly and illegally change the outcome of the voting.

Isaiah 28:17 “Also I will make justice the measuring line, And righteousness the plummet; The hail will sweep away the refuge of lies, And the waters will overflow the hiding place.

Pray for a huge turnout of voters who use wisdom in their decisions.

Proverbs 4:5-6 “Get wisdom! Get understanding! Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth. Do not forsake her, and she will preserve you; Love her, and she will keep you.”

Pray for protection from any attacks from enemies that would prevent or delay the election.

Deuteronomy 3:22 "You must not fear them, for the Lord your God Himself fights for you."

3. Candidates and Leaders

Pray for the salvation of those who are in leadership of our nation. Ask the Lord to remove all envy and selfish ambition.

James 3:16 "For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there."

Pray that candidates will take brave stands for righteousness, even when it may not be well received.

Isaiah 7:9b, NIV, "If you do not stand firm in your faith, you will not stand at all"

Pray that their families will be protected from harm and unnecessary scrutiny.

Psalms 12:7-8 "You shall keep them, O Lord, You shall preserve them from this generation forever. The wicked prowls on every side, When villainy is exalted among the sons of men."

Ask the Lord to surround them with godly advisors.

Psalms 111:10 "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever."

4. The Church

Pray that the churches in our community and area will preach the gospel of Christ powerfully.

Romans 1:16 "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek."

Pray against false teachers and deception within the church.

1 Timothy 4:1 "Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons"

Thank the Lord for the freedom we have in Him and for the wisdom to understand that freedom.

Galatians 5:13 "For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."

Pray for a spirit of consecration and holiness to come upon the Church in America.

1 Peter 1:15 "but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct"

Ask the Lord to help strengthen the call to intensive prayer, so that it is heard throughout the Church in the United States.

1 Timothy 2:8 "I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting"

Ask the Lord to equip the Church to rise up with a strong prophetic voice for America.

Ephesians 6:19 "and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel"

Pray for a spirit of repentance to fall upon the Church in America that would cause believers to turn back to God and seek Him diligently.

Psalms 53:2 "God looks down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there are any who understand, who seek God."

Pray for a spirit of courage to rise up within the Church, a commitment to enduring whatever it takes to see the fulfillment of God's purposes in our nation.

1 Corinthians 16:13 "Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong."

Pray for a movement of the Spirit that creates a dramatic cultural transformation in the United States, bringing about a nation that has learned to put its hope in the Word of God.

Romans 12:2 "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Ask the Lord to awaken the Church to the temporary nature of the nations and to the eternal nature of the reign of God.

Psalms 37:20 "But the wicked shall perish; And the enemies of the Lord, Like the splendor of the meadows, shall vanish. Into smoke they shall vanish away."

Pray that courage born of wisdom will be given to Christians in places of leadership in government, the courts, and law schools across the nation so that they will stand for a godly basis for law.

Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

5. Media

Pray for truth to be an established standard in our news media.

Psalms 45:4 "And in Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, and righteousness; And Your right hand shall teach You awesome things."

Pray that media bias will be replaced by fairness and impartiality.

Psalms 99:4 "The King's strength also loves justice; You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

Ask that Christianity will receive fair coverage in all reports.

Proverbs 22:20-21 "Have I not written to you excellent things Of counsels and knowledge, That I may make you know the certainty of the words of truth, That you may answer words of truth To those who send to you?"

Romans 2:11 "For there is no partiality with God."

6. Spiritual Warfare

Ask for great awareness and discernment as we pray over the election.

Ephesians 5:15-17 "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is."

Pray for physical protection for all candidates and their families.

Psalms 20:1 "May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble; May the name of the God of Jacob defend you"

Beseech the Lord for a strong hedge of protection around the nation itself during this time of decision.

Psalms 33:22 "Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, Just as we hope in You."

Joel 2:18 "Then the Lord will be zealous for His land, And pity His people."

7. Revival

Pray for another Great Awakening to sweep the nation as the Lord's people learn to humble themselves with a contrite spirit, and to tremble at the Word of the Lord.

Isaiah 66:2 "For all those things My hand has made, And all those things exist," Says the Lord. "But on this one will I look: On him who is poor and of a contrite spirit, And who trembles at My word."

Ask the Lord to bring revival to the Church in America.

Isaiah 64:1-4 "Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down! That the mountains might shake at Your presence— As fire burns brushwood, As fire causes water to boil— To make Your name known to Your adversaries, That the nations may tremble at Your presence! When You did awesome things for which we did not look, You came down, The mountains shook at Your presence. For since the beginning of the world Men have not heard nor perceived by the ear, Nor has the eye seen any God besides You, Who acts for the one who waits for Him."

Pray for the preachers of America to fearlessly proclaim the Word of God regarding sin and God's love.

2 Timothy 4:1-3 "I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers"

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