



Your guide to navigating the 2024 election season through powerful prayer.



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### A CALLING TO PRAYER

#### WHY PRAY?

Prayer is a fundamental privilege—and duty—of all Christians. It allows us to communicate directly with our Creator, and we can approach Him knowing that He hears us.

Additionally, the Bible repeatedly emphasizes prayer with Jesus Himself modeling it, and the early church devoting themselves to prayer.

The Apostle Paul linked prayer to national and personal peace.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. – 1 Timothy 2:1-2

#### DAILY PRAYER LIST

- Pray for wisdom, discernment, and hope.
- Pray over issues that God has laid upon your heart.
- Pray for national leaders and candidates. For those who know God, to seek Him in every action they take. And for those who do not know God, that they might find salvation.
- Pray for integrity in the hearts of all who will be working in our election process, including voters, volunteers, officials, law enforcement, and leaders.
- Pray that those who try to interfere in our election or who wish harm upon our country and people would be exposed.
- Pray in thanksgiving for the country that God has given to us and the freedoms that which we hold dear.

### **VOTE WITH CONVICTION**

#### IMPACT

In Romans 13, Paul emphasizes that all authority comes from God and, therefore, believers should submit to governing authorities, recognizing their divine appointment.

As citizens of the United States, part of our responsibility is participating in the voting process. For Christians, casting a ballot can help to determine the moral direction of our country. During presidential elections, this duty becomes even more vital.

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. – Romans 13:1

### **A SPIRITUAL BATTLE**

Forces of evil and division are at play in the world around us. They want to make people feel hopeless and powerless. If we step away from community engagement and our civic duties, they succeed, and it can have far-reaching effects that impact families, churches, and communities.

#### SALVATION

God has brought us together at this time. At the end of Romans 13, Paul emphasizes the nearness of salvation, and we are urged to wake up from spiritual slumber. We should do this by living honorably, avoiding darkness, and clothing ourselves with Christ. And the quickest path to accomplish this is through prayer!

The hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.

– Romans 13:11

## IMPROVING YOUR PRAYER LIFE

#### **PRAY WITH A DISCERNING HEART**

As you pray for candidates, both national and local, ask the Lord to give you discernment to know those who align with God's will and would seek to restore a spirit of unity among the people of America.

Likewise, seek God's will by spending time in scripture:

- Psalm 119:105-112
- Romans 12:1-21
- James 1:2-27
- James 3:13-18
- Colossians 1:2-14
- Hosea 14:9
- Proverbs 1:1-7



For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

- Hebrews 4:12

#### **BE ENCOURAGED**

Fear and uncertainty do not glorify God. "Do not be afraid" is one of the most highly used phrases in the Bible. Remember that our Almighty God is always in control and be encouraged as you pray.

You are also not alone! Millions of Americans are praying alongside you every day.

## TALK WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY

#### **RELIGION AND POLITICS**

The old adage of never talking about religion or politics has never been more outdated than in 2024. Avoiding these topics can mean a missed opportunity to share God's love with someone, and it might have the chance to influence someone's opinion on how Christians engage with opposing viewpoints.

So, talk about it! But do so with love and grace. Focus on the need for prayer and moral values to be restored in our nation. Be a witness to God's love and how it can transform lives.

#### **KEY DISCUSSION POINTERS**

- If possible, begin your discussion with prayer.
- Be kind and polite. Give each person their own dignity and remember how you would want to be treated.
- Recognize that it is not your duty to change somebody else's mind. Your role is to pray and encourage others in prayer.
- Allow the Holy Spirit to change hearts and minds.
- Rely on God's word. Review the key passages in this guide and use them as anchors for the position you take.
- Share this guide with others. Someone might not want to start with a conversation, but they may be open to reading this guide to gain insight into the truth of your perspective.
- Listen with grace and be patient. If they have different ideals or they dislike certain political officials, focus on the shared truth that God is in control and has called us to be praying.

#### SHARE

And finally, share these and other prayer tools. Direct friends and family to **PraytheVote.org** or **PresidentialPrayerTeam.org**.

### **MOVING AHEAD**

1. Commit to daily prayer. Jesus showed us the importance of daily prayer through His own example.

And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed. – Mark 1:35

2. Encourage your friends and family to pray.

You must also help by prayer, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessings granted through the prayers of many. – 2 Corinthians 1:11

3. Gather in small groups from church in prayer.

He went to the house of Mary, the mother of John whose other name was Mark, where many were gathered together and were praying. – Acts 12:12

4. Be informed about the candidates and the issues.

For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. – Romans 13:1

5. Register to Vote!

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. – Philippians 2:4





Stay connected at www.PraytheVote.org for candidate and party platform information, timely election related prayer needs, and useful tools to help you this election season. www.PraytheVote.org

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