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## A Prayer Concerning the 2020 Presidential Election

### **Scripture Reading:**

Galatians 6:9; Psalm 37

### **Reflections of the Heart:**

"Here's the problem: while some folks are frustrated and tuned out and staying home on election day, trust me other folks are showing up. Democracy continues with or without you." ~Michelle Obama, Former First Lady

### **Scriptural Prayer:**

Heavenly Father, we thank You for being our King, Lord and leader. Thank You for the right to vote. Thank You for the authority to expect change through prayer. Thank You for giving us the wisdom, discernment and knowledge to pray for our nation's elections. We, Your servants, praise You. We will hold up holy hands in prayer and praise You. Every king in all the earth will thank You, Lord, for all of us will hear Your words. Yes, we will sing about Your ways, for Your glory is very great! You are great. You care for the humble, but keep Your distance from the proud. Lord, You are merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love. You are good to everyone and shower compassion on all of Your creation.

Magnificent Father, let Your Kingdom come and Your will be done during the upcoming presidential election. Your Word states that we are to pray for kings and all people who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives that are marked by godliness and dignity. We know that this is good and acceptable in Your sight. In obedience to Your Word, we command the political election process to yield to God's plans. We confess and expect that the power of the Holy Spirit will guide the hearts of President Donald Trump and Former Vice President Joe Biden. Peace, be still within the 2020 presidential campaign and election. We command the Word of God, as it is spoken

from the lips of believers, to interrupt the airwaves and destroy the effects of communications spoken by the candidates or the media that do not align with God's will for our nation. Holy Spirit, help voters not to judge the presidential candidates by their outward appearances or political parties, the way people often judge. Instead, help us see the candidates the way You see them, Lord, as you look at their respective hearts. We decree that the democratic process will be implemented fairly and justly throughout our nation during this election process.

***Holy Spirit, give me wisdom and discernment as I research the candidates for President:***

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Holy Spirit, trouble the hearts of President Trump and Former Vice President Biden about their commitment to our country's welfare. Increase Your spirit of wisdom, understanding, counsel, courage, might and knowledge within them. We do not know what their level of commitment is to You, but we ask You to communicate with them on behalf of Your people. Equip them with everything they need for doing Your will and produce in them, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good thing that is pleasing to You. Convict them, along with their staffs and volunteers, about the use of ungodly campaign tactics and political mudslinging. Confuse the thoughts and messages of those who have disregard for Your Kingdom and let Your truth about all issues be exposed. Father, dispatch Your angels to guard and protect the candidates' families and destroy every assignment that the devil devises against them. Father, we know that nothing is too difficult for You.

Everlasting Father, please have mercy upon us and forgive our nation for its many sins. Forgive us for making "self" the center of our American culture. Forgive the presidential candidates for their sins. Forgive them for any times they mislead the American public and twist the truth. Forgive them when they do not consult with You before making decisions or administering their authority and power. Forgive them for denying Your sovereign rule as King and Savior. Forgive us, the Body of Christ, for not praying for our leaders consistently. Forgive those American citizens who have not exercised the privilege to vote, yet complain about our country's leadership. As for me, Lord, forgive me for ***(list any sins that you have committed)***. Holy Spirit, if there are any candidates who need to forgive anyone, please bring it to their remembrance and help them to forgive. As for me, Holy Spirit, bring to my remembrance those I need to

forgive. *(Take a moment and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal names or faces of people that you may need to forgive. As He reveals them, say “I forgive name of person(s).” Now, trust the Lord to heal any wounds in your soul caused by unforgiveness.)*

Redeeming Father, help our candidates not to yield to temptation but deliver them from the evil one.

Lord, You are the eternal King, Your rule is everlasting. All the people of the earth are nothing compared to You. All of Your acts are just and true. You alone have held the oceans in Your hand. You measured the heavens with Your fingers and know the weight of the earth. The Lord God Almighty is Your Name. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture References for the Written Text:** Psalm 134:1-2, Psalm 138:4-6, Psalm 145:8-9, Matthew 6:10, I Timothy 2:1-4, Mark 4:39, 1 Samuel 16:7, Isaiah 11:2, Hebrews 13:21, Psalm 91:11-12, Luke 1:37, Matthew 6:13, Daniel 4:34-35, Isaiah 40:12

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