

A Prayer for Our Political Leaders (local, state, and national)

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 146, Ezekiel 33:1-9

Reflections of the Heart:

"Politicians all too often think about the next election. Statesmen think about the next generation."

~ Linda Lingle, Former Governor of Hawaii

Scriptural Prayer:

Righteous Father, we thank You for blessing our nation to be a mighty government in the earth. Thank You for allowing us to call upon You in our times of need as a nation. Thank You, Lord, for Your bountiful blessings. We are grateful, and we bless Your Name. You are robed in majesty and armed with strength. The world stands firm and cannot be shaken. We praise Your Name, Father, forever and ever. You have all wisdom and power. You control the course of world events; removing kings and setting up other kings. You give wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the scholars. You reveal deep and mysterious things and only You know what lies hidden in darkness, though You are surrounded by light.

Triumphant Father, in obedience to Your Word, we make intercession on behalf of those who are in positions of authority in our city, state and nation; so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity. We pray for the President and all state, and national leaders. We pray for our Mayor, our city council members and all other local leaders. By faith, we call our local, state, and national leaders saved, sanctified, and filled with Your Holy Spirit. We decree that as our political leaders seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, they will receive from You everything they need to lead our nation, state and city. The decisions made by our

political leaders will be inspired and directed by the Holy Spirit. We destroy the assignments of the devil and we silence the voice of every demonic force.

Holy Spirit, I commit to pray for the following leaders this month:	

Holy Spirit, we ask You to fill our city, state, and national political leaders with wisdom, understanding, discernment, and knowledge. Grant them favor, increase their faith, and prepare them to pursue Your excellence. Draw them to You and cause them to know and fulfill Your purposes. Please place people in their paths that will provide scriptural, sound and godly counsel; for without Your counsel their plans will go awry. Impart Your wisdom and revelation to them about leadership and help them to lead. Deal with our leaders about keeping their hearts and motives pure. We ask You to make their hearts pliable, willing and obedient to Your will. Cause each of their lives to glorify Your Name.

Loving Father, please forgive our local, state and national leaders for their sins. Forgive those who do not consult with You daily. Forgive them for greed, hypocrisy, injustice, selfish ambitions, pride, arrogance, idolatry, adultery, slander, sexism, elitism, oppression, partiality, lust, manipulations, lying, ungodliness, sexual sins, and all other acts of sinfulness. Lord, forgive us for not praying for our leaders consistently. Forgive us, the body of Christ, for making our political decisions based on the opinions, rhetoric, and untruths of political pundits and talking heads who do not align their agendas with Yours. Forgive those politicians who say they are Christians, but conduct their affairs in a manner that opposes Your Word. Father, please have mercy on this nation. Lord, forgive me for (list any sins that you have committed). Holy Spirit, remind us all of those we need to forgive; and we will be quick 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, say, "I forgive name of person(s)." Now, trust the Lord to heal any wounds in your soul caused by unforgiveness.)

Holy Spirit, help our government officials all not to yield to temptation but deliver us from the evil one.

Holy, Holy, are You, the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is and is to come. You alone are God. You are subject to none, yet all are subject to You. Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

<u>Scripture References for the Written Text</u>: Psalm 93:1, Daniel 2:20-22, I Timothy 2:1-3, Matthew 6:33, Proverb 15:22, Matthew 6:13, Revelation 4:8

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