

**Prayer Topic #:**

**A Prayer for Houston's Business Leaders**

**Scripture Reading:**

Psalm 95:1-7, Deuteronomy 8

**Reflections of the Heart:**

Jesus came so that we may have a rich and satisfying life. Choose to receive His gift and expect your life to overflow with His abundance.

**Scriptural Prayer:**

Glorious Father, we thank You for blessing the Houston business community throughout the years. Thank You, for opening doors of opportunity that have produced profit and employment. Thank You for increasing economic development in our city. Lord, Your Kingdom is an everlasting kingdom. You rule throughout all generations. You always keep Your promises; You are gracious in all that You do. You help the fallen and lift those bent beneath their loads. The eyes of all look to You in hope; You give them their food as they need it. When You open Your hand, You satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing. We bless and praise Your holy Name!

Almighty Father, we declare that Your Word will be operative in the lives of our business leaders and in the economic development of our city. Father, we confess that our business leaders are blessed and we expect favor to surround them like a shield. As our business leaders commit their works to You, their plans will succeed. The Christian business leaders in our city will continue to seek Your Kingdom above all else, and live righteously, and we know that You will give them everything they need for their business. We declare that they will honor You with their wealth and with the best part of everything they produce, then their barns will be filled with grain and their vats will overflow with good wine. Lord, as our business leaders walk uprightly and do what is right, no good thing will be withheld from them. By faith, we decree that they will treat their employees and customers with dignity, fairness and respect. We expect You to look upon the economic development in our city favorably and bless our city to be fruitful.

***Holy Spirit, show me which business to pray for this month:***

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Holy Spirit, please fill our business leaders with Your wisdom, understanding, counsel, and power. Give them dreams and visions that exceed their expectations and provide them with the resources they need to successfully accomplish Your purpose(s) for their businesses. Father, encourage potential business leaders and entrepreneurs to write down Your vision for their businesses and make it plain in a business plan so that they and their investors can implement it. We ask You to reveal new revenue streams within the business community. Lord, please continue to bless our city so that it will reflect Your glory and benefit the people living in it.

Merciful Father, forgive our business leaders for all acts of sinfulness. Forgive those who have not been diligent in seeking Your leadership for their business. Forgive those who do not trust in You, but lean to their own understanding. Forgive those who have compromised Your Word in order to make a profit. Forgive those who have not treated their employees and customers fairly. Forgive those Christian business owners who have not been faithful in giving their tithes and offerings. Forgive those who have not properly taken care of or shown respect for the community they live in. Forgive me for not supporting those businesses You have established in my community. Lord, forgive me for **(list any sins that you have committed)**. Holy Spirit, remind our business leaders of those they need to forgive and help them to be quick 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 show you names or faces of people that you may need to forgive. As He shows you, say aloud, "I forgive name of person(s)." Now, trust the Lord to heal any wounds in your soul caused by unforgiveness.)***

Caring Father, help our business leaders to not yield to temptation; but deliver them from the evil one.

Sovereign Lord, You are the King of glory. You are the Lord, strong and mighty; the Lord invincible in battle. You are the King of Glory, the Lord of Heaven's Armies is Your Name! In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture References for the Written Text:** Psalm 145:13-16, Psalm 5:12, Proverbs 16:3, Matthew 6:33, Proverbs 3:9-10, Psalm 84:11, Habakkuk 2:2, Proverbs 3:5-6, Matthew 6:13, Psalm 24:8-10

***Today, I will trust God to:***

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