

A Prayer of Repentance in the United States of America

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 24, Luke 4:14-19

Scriptural Prayer:

Holy Father, You have blessed our nation beyond measure, but we have not always appreciated You or Your benefits. We, Your children, come before You, humbling ourselves in Your sight to give You thanks and praise for all that You have done. No, we are not deserving nor are we entitled to Your goodness. But, we bow low before You now, and we thank You for having mercy on America. Thank You for the prophets You have sent to warn us that the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord. We need Your grace and mercy so much. O Lord God, we are so grateful that You are slow to anger and filled with unfailing love, forgiving every kind of sin and rebellion. Who wouldn't want to serve a God like You?

Generous Father, we, the Body of Christ, submit ourselves to the discernment and judgment of the Holy Spirit. We know that we have grieved Him with our rebellion as we've traded truth for lies in pursuit of our own selfish agendas. Your Word warns us that our hearts are the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. We want You to thoroughly search our hearts and examine our secret motives. We decree that as the truth is revealed to us, we will not make any excuses for our failure to be the salt and light that we were called to be. As Your people, called by Your Name, we will humble ourselves and pray, seek Your face, and turn from our wicked ways. Only then can we be assured that You will hear from heaven and will forgive our sins and restore our land. Sincere faith, evidenced by our obedience, is the only thing that will please You. We love You, Father, and our desire is to please You and to glorify You with our lives.

Holy Spirit, please help our nation overcome the following sins (list them):

Holy Spirit, without Your power working in us, we cannot have lasting change. Stir within us the desire to know the Father's ways, not just His acts. Remind us to think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. Help us to put to death any sinful, earthly things that lurk within us. Give us the courage to face ourselves and to admit our sins to the Father and to one another. Strengthen us to let go of anything that blinds us to the truth and keeps us bound. Rid America of corruption and raise up leaders who are wise and who understand God's ways, proving it by living honorable lives. Help us to identify and follow those spiritual leaders who aren't just

preaching what our itching ears want to hear, but who are doing good works with the humility that comes from wisdom.

Eternal Father, forgive our nation collectively for the sins we have committed against You **(confess specific sins of our nation)**. Forgive us for pretending to love You when our actions show that we are still in love with the world. Forgive those leaders in the Body of Christ who have forfeited the anointing for popularity and pleasure. Forgive us for not taking Your Word seriously. Forgive us for rejecting the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Forgive us for insulting and rejecting those among us who have tried to speak truth to us. Holy Spirit, remind the people of our nation to forgive and help us all to forgive.

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

Holy, holy, holy are You, Lord God, the Almighty - the one who always was, who is, and who is still to come. You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. We exalt You above all else. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture References for the Written Text: Romans 6:23, Numbers 14:18, Jeremiah 17:9-10, I John 1:9, Matthew 5:13-16, II Chronicles 7:14, Colossians 3:2, 5, James 3:13, Matthew 6:13, Revelation 4:8, 11

Today, I will trust God to:

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