

Praying For Elections

The following prayers are Scriptures adapted "vertically" to be prayed back to God. This pattern of worship, thanksgiving, confession and requesting will help prepare you to intercede for the elections.



I. Worship: Establish God's Sovereignty and Supremacy

O Lord, You reign over the nations and You rule in righteousness from Your holy throne.
—Psalm 47:8

I praise you for the trustworthiness and truth of Your word and Your person, O God. You are faithful and holy and righteous in all Your ways.
—Psalm 33:4

O Lord, You are great and mighty and majestic in Your power and authority! You see and know all things and there is no limit to Your understanding—it is beyond my comprehension.
—Psalm 147:5

II. Thanksgiving: Gratitude for God's Wisdom and My Freedom

Thank You, Lord Jesus Christ, for the freedom I have because You have set me free from my sins!
—John 8:36

O Lord, I thank you for the spiritual freedom I enjoy because You are present in my life.
—I Corinthians 3:17

All praise to You, O Triune God, for rescuing me from the Evil One. You have brought me into the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, the Son, and you bought my freedom with His precious blood. Thank you for the priceless gift of the forgiveness of my sins.
—Colossians 1:13

III. Confession: Agreeing with God About Sin

O God, I acknowledge that I am a sinner. It is useless to try to hide my sin, because nothing is hidden from Your eyes. I confess my sins to you, thanking you for removing my guilt with Your forgiveness.
—Psalm 32:5

O Lord, help me to be as ready to forgive others for the wrongs they have done to me as I am eager for You to forgive me and take away my sins.
—Matthew 6:12

Heavenly Father, I thank You for your faithfulness and justice, for You have paid the debt of my sin. Cleanse me now and keep me so pure and clean that I no longer want to offend You with my thoughts, words or deeds.
—I John 1:9

IV. Requesting: Calling on God for Help

O God in Heaven, You are faithful and steady. Help me to remain faithful in all my commitments—especially in this commitment to pray for this fall's elections.
—Romans 12:12

Scriptures and Prayers for the Elections

O God, Your plans are firm, faithful and forever. The purposes of Your heart prevail through all the generations. Let Your mighty, perfect will be done in the elections this November.

—Psalm 33:11

O Lord, bring righteous people who fear You to lead our nation into the future. Establish godly leaders who glorify You as they lead, and let their tenure be as welcome as the light of morning at sunrise and like the brightness after rain that brings green grass to the earth.

—II Samuel 23:3-4

O Lord, grant that wicked and evil influences will be weak and impotent in their efforts at bringing down the candidates for election. Usher into authority those who are committed to leading with righteousness.

—Proverbs 25:5

Heavenly Father, You promise to bless us with rejoicing when righteous leaders are in charge. So we ask You for godly, good leaders who will bring joy to those they lead. Do not allow any wicked persons to gain public office in this fall's elections, but only those who will honor You.

—Proverbs 29:2

My Lord, You value so deeply the qualities of good judgment and discernment, but it is easy for us to lose sight of them. Guide all those who will vote in this year's elections a sense of discernment and sound judgment, and let that discernment in turn bring discerning leaders into office.

—Proverbs 3:21

Lord God, during election time it is easy to get wrapped up in the negative, in fault-finding, criticism and contentiousness. Cause our hearts to be sweet and pure, obediently acting as You want Your children to act, so no one can find fault. In this way, we can shine for you in our darkened world.

—Philippians 2:14-15

Mighty God, we look to You for protection and safe keeping, especially during the days leading up to this fall's elections. Keep the candidates, the conventions, the delegates and the media safe from every kind of harm, O Lord, and deliver us from any evil plots that have been arranged. Let no weapon that is formed against our nation or our leaders prosper.

—Psalm 32:7, Isaiah 54:17

Father God, You love truth and are displeased with lies. Grant a spirit of truthfulness in the elections, particularly on the part of all media. Grant a spirit of fairness and honesty in the reports created by all members of the media, and give discernment and wisdom to citizens as they seek information from the media.

—Proverbs 12:22

O God, You are actively involved in every part of Your creation at every moment. Grant to all Americans a willingness to get involved in the upcoming elections, resisting complacency and passivity. Let each one know the value of his or her vote, and let each one exercise their privilege with diligence and faith.

—Amos 6:1

Lord we ask for fairness and justice in the balloting procedures as our citizens vote this fall. May it be just and equitable, revealing the truth with clarity.

—Proverbs 1:3

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