

Proverbs 31:8-9

Open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute.
Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and
needy.

James 1:19-20

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow
to speak, slow to anger; for the anger of man does not produce the
righteousness that God requires.

“O Church, Arise”

O church, arise and put your armor on; Hear the call of Christ our captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong, In the strength that God has
given.

With shield of faith and belt of truth, We'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!" Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, But to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, We will fight with faith
and valor.

When faced with trials on ev'ry side, We know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died—An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet, As the Son of God is
stricken;

Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, For the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away, And Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day, Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride, Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize, Of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, Retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day, When, with Christ, we stand in
glory.

PRAYER SERVICE

Praying for the Election

Call to Prayer Scripture Reading Romans 12:1-13:14

PRAY FOR OUR GODLINESS

1. Pray that we serve God by serving others

1 Thessalonians 1:7-10

You became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. .
. . For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had
among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and
true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the
dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

2. Pray that our lives would marked by love

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or
rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it
does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all
things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never
ends.

3. Pray that we honor those in authority over us

Romans 13:1-2

Submission to the Authorities Let every person be subject to the
governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and
those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists
the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will
incur judgment.

“In the Presence”

In the presence of Your infinite might, I'm so small and frail and weak
When I see Your power and wisdom, Lord, I have no words left to speak
And I cry holy, holy, holy God, how awesome is Your name!
Holy, holy, holy God, how majestic is Your reign!
And I am changed in the presence of a holy God.

In the presence of a holy God, there's new meaning now to grace
You took all my sins upon Yourself, I can only stand amazed
And I cry holy, holy, holy God, how awesome is Your name!
Holy, holy, holy God, how majestic is Your reign!
And I am changed in the presence of a holy God.

In the power of Your glory, all my crowns lie in the dust
You are righteous in Your judgments, Lord, You are faithful true and just
And I cry holy, holy, holy God, how awesome is Your name!
Holy, holy, holy God, how majestic is Your reign!
And I cry holy, holy, holy God, how awesome is Your name!
Holy, holy, holy God, how majestic is Your reign!
And I am changed in the presence of a holy God.

PRAY FOR OUR ELECTION

1. Pray that we trust God more than men

Psalm 118:8-9

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

2. Pray that we vote with wisdom

James 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

3. Pray that we pray for our leaders

1 Timothy 2:1-6

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our

Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

“Jesus, Be First in Everything”

Jesus, be first in everything, our Savior, risen Lord!
Jesus, the One alone supreme, be everywhere adored.
Jesus, the One for Whom was made the universe so vast;
God's mighty power lives in You, O Christ, the first and last.

Head of the church, You died for us; Your precious blood was shed;
Jesus, through You we come to God, O firstborn from the dead.
Jesus, You break the barriers down, O reconciling King.
You have the right to wear the crown, supreme in everything.

Jesus, be first in word and deed--in thought and motive too;
Fulfill Your purpose in our hearts, creating all things new.
Jesus, the glorious day will come when every knee shall bow.
Help us to bring Your kingdom near, by telling others now.

PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS

1. Pray that they would seek God

Proverbs 25:2-5

It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out. As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable. Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness.

2. Pray that they would lead well

Proverbs 8:12-17

By [wisdom] kings reign, and rulers decree what is just; by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly. I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me.

Proverbs 29:12

If a ruler listens to falsehood, all his officials will be wicked.