2023 National Day of Prayer: 10 Prayer Points with Scriptures

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Did you know that the National Day of Prayer is a vital part of America's heritage? This annual event dates all the way back to 1775, signifying just how important and integral prayer has always been to our nation. As we prepare for the 2023 National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 4, 2023, we invite you to join us as we humbly come before God to seek His guidance, wisdom and grace for our leaders and our nation. The theme for this year is "Pray Fervently in Righteousness and Avail Much" and that is exactly what we plan to do! Add your supply of faith to these 10 Prayer Points With Scriptures to get you started:

1. Pray for Righteousness To Reign in America

- Psalm 125:3 (AMPC)The scepter of wickedness shall not rest upon the land of the [uncompromisingly] righteous, lest the righteous put forth their hands to iniquity and apostasy.
- 2 Chronicles 7:14 (KJV) If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

2. Pray for Truth and Light To Be Revealed in this Nation

- John 8:32 (AMPC) And you will know the Truth, and the Truth will set you free.
- Luke 12:2-3 (AMPC) Nothing is [so closely] covered up that it will not be revealed, or hidden that it will not be known. Whatever you have spoken in the darkness shall be heard and listened to in the light, and what you have whispered in [people's] ears and behind closed doors will be proclaimed upon the housetops.
- **Psalm 60:4** *(AMPC)* [But now] You have set up a banner for those who fear and worshipfully revere You [to which they may flee from the bow], a standard displayed because of the truth. Selah [pause, and calmly think of that]!

3. Pray for an Awakening to God in the Children

- **Psalm 24:6** (AMPC) This is the generation [description] of those who seek Him [who inquire of and for Him and of necessity require Him], who seek Your face, [O God of] Jacob.
- Romans 13:11 (AMPC) Besides this you know what [a critical] hour this is, how it is high time now for you to wake up out of your sleep (rouse to reality). For salvation (final deliverance) is nearer to us now than when we first believed (adhered to, trusted in, and relied on Christ, the Messiah).
- Isaiah 54:13 (AMPC) And all your [spiritual] children shall be disciples [taught by the Lord and obedient to His will], and great shall be the peace and undisturbed composure of your children.
- Joel 2:28-29 (AMPC) And afterward I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. Even upon the menservants and upon the maidservants in those days will I pour out My Spirit.
- Isaiah 60:4 (AMPC) Lift up your eyes round about you and see! They all gather themselves together, they come to you. Your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried and nursed in the arms.

4. Pray for an Awakening to God in the Youth

- **Psalm 24:6** (AMPC) This is the generation [description] of those who seek Him [who inquire of and for Him and of necessity require Him], who seek Your face, [O God of] Jacob.
- Romans 13:11 (AMPC) Besides this you know what [a critical] hour this is, how it is high time now for you to wake up out of your sleep (rouse to reality). For salvation (final deliverance) is nearer to us now than when we first believed (adhered to, trusted in, and relied on Christ, the Messiah).
- Acts 2:39 (AMPC) For the promise [of the Holy Spirit] is to and for you and your children, and to and for all that are far away, [even] to and for as many as the Lord our God invites and bids to come to Himself.

5. Pray for an Awakening to God in the Young Adults

- **Psalm 24:6** (AMPC) This is the generation [description] of those who seek Him [who inquire of and for Him and of necessity require Him], who seek Your face, [O God of] Jacob.
- Romans 13:11 (AMPC) Besides this you know what [a critical] hour this is, how it is high time now for you to wake up out of your sleep (rouse to reality). For salvation (final deliverance) is nearer to us now than when we first believed (adhered to, trusted in, and relied on Christ, the Messiah).
- Acts 2:17-18 (AMPC) And it shall come to pass in the last days, God declares, that I will pour out of My Spirit upon all mankind, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy [telling forth the divine counsels] and your young men shall see visions (divinely granted appearances), and your old men shall dream [divinely suggested] dreams. Yes, and on My menservants also and on My maidservants in those days I will pour out of My Spirit, and they shall prophesy [telling forth the divine counsels and predicting future events pertaining especially to God's kingdom].

6. Pray for Life

- Psalm 139:13-14 (KJV) For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.
- Ezekiel 16:6 (KJV) And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in the blood, Live.
- Deuteronomy 19:10 (KJV) That innocent blood be not shed in thy land, which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and so blood be upon thee.
- **Proverbs 6:16-19** (KJV) These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: a proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, an heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, aa false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.

7. Pray Against Corruption

- Proverbs 24:25 (NKJV) But those who rebuke the wicked will have delight, and a good blessing will come upon them.
- Jude 15 (AMPC) To execute judgment upon all and to convict all the impious (unholy ones) of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed [in such an] ungodly [way], and of all the severe (abusive, jarring) things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.
- **John 1:4-5** (AMPC) In Him was Life, and the Life was the Light of men. And the Light shines on in the darkness, for the darkness has never overpowered it [put it out or absorbed it or appropriated it, and is unreceptive to it].

- 2 Corinthians 4:6 (AMPC) For God Who said, Let light shine out of darkness, has shone in our hearts so as [to beam forth] the Light for the illumination of the knowledge of the majesty and glory of God [as it is manifest in the Person and is revealed] in the face of Jesus Christ (the Messiah).
- 1 Samuel 30:8 (NKJV)And David inquired of the Lord, saying, "Shall I pursue this troop? Shall I overtake them? And He answered him, Pursue, for you shall surely overtake them and without fail recover all."

8. Pray for Spiritual Leaders

- Ephesians 3:16 (AMPC) May He grant you out of the rich treasury of His glory to be strengthened and reinforced with mighty power in the inner man by the [Holy] Spirit [Himself indwelling your innermost being and personality].
- Ephesians 6:19-20 (AMPC) And [pray] also for me, that [freedom of] utterance may be given me, that I may open my mouth to proclaim boldly the mystery of the good news (the Gospel), for which I am an ambassador in a coupling chain [in prison. Pray] that I may declare it boldly and courageously, as I ought to do.
- Colossians 1:9 (AMPC) For this reason we also, from the day we heard of it, have not
 ceased to pray and make [special] request for you, [asking] that you may be filled with
 the full (deep and clear) knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom [in comprehensive
 insight into the ways and purposes of God] and in understanding and discernment of
 spiritual things.

9. Pray for Political Leaders

- Isaiah 1:25-27 (KJV) And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross, and take away all thy tin: And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: afterward thou shalt be called, the city of righteousness, the faithful city. Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and her converts with righteousness.
- 1 Timothy 2:1-2 (KJV)I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

10. Pray for Protection and Plead the Blood of Jesus over America

- Psalm 91 (AMPC)
- Isaiah 54:17 (KJV) No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.
- Revelation 12:11 (AMPC) And they have overcome (conquered) him by means of the blood of the Lamb and by the utterance of their testimony, for they did not love and cling to life even when faced with death [holding their lives cheap till they had to die for their witnessing].

- 1 John 1:7 (AMPC) But if we [really] are living and walking in the Light, as He [Himself] is in the Light, we have [true, unbroken] fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses (removes) us from all sin and guilt [keeps us cleansed from sin in all its forms and manifestations].
- Hebrews 9:14 (AMPC) How much more surely shall the blood of Christ, Who by virtue
 of [His] eternal Spirit [His own preexistent divine personality] has offered Himself as an
 unblemished sacrifice to God, purify our consciences from dead works and lifeless
 observances to serve the [ever] living God?

Thank you for uniting with us on the 2023 National Day of Prayer! Your prayers are certainly not limited to just these 10 prayer targets. So, as you pray fervently in righteousness, seek the Lord, and allow His Spirit to guide you. Follow where He leads you and remember, "The earnest (heartfelt, continued) prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available [dynamic in its working]" (James 5:16b, *AMPC*)!

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