

WILL AMERICA TURN?

Wondering how to pray for our nation? God knows the laments of your heart, and His written Word offers many passages to help guide our prayers. America desperately needs God's intervention in our national life. This begins with God's people repenting and praying.

Will our Constitution be canceled? - We are witnessing a travesty as government leaders impersonate an evil charade. They affirm election fraud. The current executive branch exudes executive orders which pretend to bypass responsibilities of the legislative branch. Congress plays prosecutor, judge and jury with judicial stagecraft. The judicial branch brazenly legislates from the bench. This masquerade of political machinations bodes ill for patriots across America. We must cease a political tribalism which calls evil good and good evil (Isaiah 5:20-24).

Intercessors for America offers a "Pray to Uphold the Constitution" resource, which keys the opening lines of the Constitution with Scripture passages, including the following:

"We the People of the United States" - As you pray, give thanks to God for the freedoms and responsibilities He has given to American citizens. Pray that we will be informed and engaged, as we seek God's will for our nation. Pray 2Chronicles 7:14, Psalm 33:12, Isaiah 33:22.

"In Order to form a more perfect Union" - God's church is one body of people from every tribe and tongue, which transcends our national identity. Praise Him for our Constitutional Republic form of government that is based on the only true authority, the Word of God. Pray for leaders to govern with God's wisdom. Revelation 7:9, Romans 13:1, Acts 17:26-27, 2Chronicles 1:10.

"Establish Justice" - In God's grace, we were given a unique and just system of government. Pray that we will not let it lapse. Pray for federal, state, county, municipal, and supreme courts. Pray Psalm 99:4, 2Chronicles 19:7, Proverbs 21:15, Deuteronomy 16:19.

"Ensure domestic Tranquility" - Pray for peace in our nation, as citizens live out the blessings and privileges of citizenship. Pray that we will be informed seekers of truth, and followers of God's commands and principles. Pray 1Timothy 2:1-6, Hebrews 13:14, Leviticus 26:6.

"Provide for the common defense" - Pray for a strong military to defend our freedoms, and for the families of those who defend us. Pray our government would stop social experimentation and support a commonsense military. Deuteronomy 20:4, 28:7, 2Samuel 22:40-41, Psalm 35:1.

"Promote the general Welfare" - Pray that our government at every level will seek the blessing of righteousness for all, without political favoritism. Pray for godly leaders, who do not use unjust weights or accept bribes. Proverbs 11:1, 20:23, 14:34, Matthew 6:25-34, Acts 20:35.

"And secure the Blessings of Liberty" - thank God for our liberty to pursue true happiness by aligning with God's divine design for the people created in His image. Pray for the preservation and restoration of the unalienable rights recognized by our Declaration, and protected by our Constitution and its Bill of Rights. Pray Matthew 5:14, Galatians 5:1, John 8:26.

"To ourselves" - Pray that God would work in our lives to redeem and restore His people, and that our nation would repent. Pray that America would turn back to God, and establish His godly principles at every level. Matthew 5:16, 1Kings 8:57, Psalm 112, 85:6, Jeremiah 19:9-10.

"And our Posterity" - Pray for the protection and preservation of our children, both born and unborn. Pray for a great awakening in our land, for countless conversions. Pray for godly people to be raised up to lead our nation. Pray Psalm 127:3, Luke 1:50, Psalm 22:30, 112:2.

"Do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America" - Thank God for His providence in establishing government, and for His amazing hand in founding our nation. Pray that we know the peace that comes from serving Him. Isaiah 26:3, Philippians 4:7.

More information: Intercessors for America (IFApray.org) 800-USA-PRAY. In addition to prayer resources listed previously (January 29 column at RiversideChurchIowa.com/pastors-column), please also consider PrayForAmericasLeaders.com, WorldPrayerNetwork.com and PrayerLeader.com. Keep praying for America to trust and obey the Lord! ☐