

**YES VOTE, FEAR NOT,
PRAY MORE**

1 Timothy 2:1-8

YES VOTE!

¹³ Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme,
¹⁴ or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. ¹⁵ For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. ¹⁶ Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God.

1 Peter 2:13–16

FEAR NOT!

Daniel answered and said: “Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might. ²¹ He changes times and seasons; he removes kings and sets up kings; he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding; Daniel 2:20–21

PRAY MORE!

¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

³ This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,

⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. ⁸ I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling;

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PAUL'S APPEAL TO PRAY

- Make prayer a priority.

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- Pray for all people even politicians.

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To our rulers and governors on the earth — to them
Thou, Lord, gavest the power of the kingdom by Thy
glorious and ineffable might, to the end that we may
know the glory and honour given to them by Thee and
be subject to them, in nought resisting Thy will; to
them, Lord, give health, peace, concord, stability, that
they may exercise the authority given to them without
offence.

Clement

the Christian is the enemy of no man least of all the emperor for we know that since he has been appointed by God it is necessary that we should reverence him honor him and desire his safety together with that of the whole Roman Empire... Without ceasing, for all our emperors we offer prayer. We pray for life prolonged; for security to the empire; for protection to the imperial house; for brave armies, a faithful senate, a virtuous people, the world at rest, ... Tertullian

Wherefore I will rather honour the king [than your gods], not, indeed, worshipping him, but praying for him. But God, the living and true God, I worship, knowing that the king is made by Him. You will say, then, to me, “Why do you not worship the king?” Because he is not made to be worshipped, but to be revered with lawful honour, for he is not a god, but a man appointed by God, not to be worshipped, but to judge justly.

For in a kind of way his government is committed to him by God. . . . Accordingly, honour the king, be subject to him, and pray for him with loyal mind; for if you do this, you do the will of God.

Theophilus

- Know the benefits.

² for kings and all who are in high positions,
that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life,
godly and dignified in every way.

GOSPEL CENTERED FOCUS OF THIS CALL TO PRAY

- God is pleased for it is His will.

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- Our hearts beat in rhythm with God's.

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- We address the ONE who opens hearts.

... The Lord opened her heart ... Acts 16:14b

No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. John 6:44

3 BARRIERS OF EVANGELISM

Intellectual Barrier >>> Give Good Answers

but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, 1 Peter 3:15

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Emotional Barrier >>> Give Good Experience

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Volitional Barrier >>> Give Yourself to Prayer

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3 APPLICATIONS

Set your alarm for 10:02 am

And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Luke 10:2

3 APPLICATIONS

Develop a prayer list

1. Family/Friends
2. Workplace
3. Neighborhood, Community, City
4. People in Home Country and Abroad

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To show care and potentially open a door for spiritual conversation, use the question:

“How can I pray for you?”

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