

5 REASONS WHY WE SHOULD PRAY FOR OUR NATION

1 Tim 2:1-4

Why do we need to pray for all people and for kings and those in authority?

1. Our Country is _____

- A. Divided about _____
- B. Divided about _____
- C. Divided about _____ and what to do

2. The continued _____ Decay

- A. _____ in Christianity
- B. The _____ of our churches
- C. Out right sin against God and the _____ attitude to go against Him
- D. Sin is like the garbage that clogs the _____ so the water cannot flow

3. God has _____ us to pray

- A. The Problem today is not unanswered prayer, it is _____ prayer
- B. God Called Israel to be Gods priest to the rest of the world
- C. God is calling you to be the same. His ultimate desire is to bring the unbelieving world to Himself. And you are the priest to accomplish that task. Vs 3-4

4. God promises to _____

- A. 2 Chr 7:14 *If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.*
- B. Matt 7:7-8 *"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."*

5. _____ has happened before

- A. Ninivah - They prayed and repented and God turned
- B. Judges - They prayed and God delivered them
- C. The Great Awakenings of the 1730's, 1790-1835, 1850's – 1900, 1960's
Each of these "Great Awakenings" was characterized by a sharp increase of interest in religion, a profound sense of conviction of sin and redemption on the part of those affected, an increase in evangelical church membership.

God called Israel a nation of priest. Today, I believe that He is calling you to be a priestly people for the rest of the world. Please pray for them! Please pray for our country!