

Election Spiritual Warfare Prayer - Election Day

This will be a prayer for God's Will to be done, and that every Christian would do their civic duty for righteousness – for spiritual wisdom and discernment, so Christians wouldn't be deceived by Satan into doing what is evil. Today is Election Day. As responsible Christian citizens, we need to do our civic duty and vote. Because of that, it is important that we enter the arena of spiritual conflict one more time before casting our ballots. In the first part of our prayer, we will be praying specifically against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. We will be engaging them with the Word of God in the power of the Holy Spirit and exercising our authority through our union with the Lord Jesus Christ. And then, we will finish our prayer time asking God to hear our prayers and raise up the kind of leaders that will lead righteously.

1 PETER 3:12: *For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayers; but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.*

Let us begin with a brief confession, knowing that the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and His ears are open to our prayers.

“Dear Heavenly Father, as I begin this time of prayer, I want to deal with any sins that may, in any way, hinder my ability to communicate with You effectively. Father, I pray that You would forgive me for any sin in my life that is hindering the ability of Your Holy Spirit to lead me now. Please forgive me for any actions that I have taken that are offensive to You; any thoughts or fantasies I have entertained; any attitudes that I have indulged; any emotions that I have harbored; and any words that I have spoken that are offensive to You. Please wash me clean in my Savior's precious blood from all that offends You. Dear Holy Spirit, fill me now, lead me, and guide me in this time of prayer.”

Now read Psalm 28 carefully. We will be praying this prayer as we engage in direct spiritual conflict with the powers of darkness:

PSALM 28:1-9 *I pray to you, O LORD, my rock. Do not turn a deaf ear to me. For if you are silent, I might as well give up and die. 2 Listen to my prayer for mercy as I cry out to you for help, as I lift my hands toward your holy sanctuary. 3 Do not drag me away with the wicked—with those who do evil—those who speak friendly words to their neighbors while planning evil in their hearts. 4 Give them the punishment they so richly deserve! Measure it out in proportion to their wickedness. Pay them back for all their evil deeds! Give them a taste of what they have done to others. 5 They care nothing for what the LORD has done or for what his hands have made. So he will tear them down, and they will never be rebuilt! 6 Praise the LORD! For he has heard my cry for mercy. 7 The LORD is my strength and shield. I trust him with all my heart. He helps me, and my heart is filled with joy. I burst out in songs of thanksgiving. 8 The LORD gives his people strength. He is a safe fortress for his anointed king. 9 Save your people! Bless Israel, your special possession. Lead them like a shepherd, and carry them in your arms forever.*

Here is my suggested prayer...

“I pray to you, O LORD, my rock. Do not turn a deaf ear to me. For if you are silent, I might as well give up and die. 2 Listen to my prayer for mercy as I cry out to you for help, as I lift my heart toward your holy sanctuary. In the name of Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, and as a priest of God Most High, I pull down the strongholds which the kingdom of darkness has formed against Your people and the people in my city, county, and state, and nation. Heavenly Father, drag away the wicked spirits who are empowering those who do evil—those who speak friendly words to their neighbors while planning evil in their hearts. 4 Give these powers of darkness the punishment they so richly deserve! Measure it out in proportion to their wickedness. Pay them back for all their evil deeds! Give them a taste of what they have done to Your people and the people in my city, county, state, and nation. 5 They care nothing for what You, my LORD, have done or for what Your hands have made.

So, Yahweh, tear down the works of these evil spirits and the strongholds they have erected! In the name of Jesus Christ, I pray that they will never be rebuilt! 6 I Praise You, LORD! For You have heard my cry for grace and mercy. 7 You, LORD, are my strength and shield. I trust You with all my heart. Because You help me, my heart is filled with joy. I will burst out in songs of thanksgiving! 8 O LORD, give Your people strength to stand firm against the wiles of the devil. You, Lord, are our safe fortress. 9 Save your people! Bless Your people today with victory over the principalities and powers that are trying to steal, kill, and destroy our cities, counties, states, and nation. Lead Your people like a shepherd and carry them in Your arms forever. **AMEN.**”

We will now turn our attention to asking God to use this election process to give us righteous leaders, like the ones mentioned in Psalm 15. You should already be familiar with the passage, because it is from our reading yesterday and it will form the basis of our prayer now.

PSALM 15:1-5 *Who may worship in your sanctuary, LORD? Who may enter your presence on your holy hill? 2 Those who lead blameless lives and do what is right, speaking the truth from sincere hearts. 3 Those who refuse to gossip or harm their neighbors or speak evil of their friends. 4 Those who despise flagrant sinners, and honor the faithful followers of the LORD, and keep their promises even when it hurts. 5 Those who lend money without charging interest, and who cannot be bribed to lie about the innocent. Such people will stand firm forever.*

“Almighty Father, I come before You now in the Name of Your Son, my Lord Jesus Christ, to seek Your guidance and ask Your blessing upon our national election that is taking place today. I pray that Your people would turn out and vote and not neglect their civic responsibilities. I specifically ask that You lead us to vote for candidates who lead blameless lives and do what is right - who speak the truth from sincere hearts. Those who refuse to gossip or harm their neighbors or speak evil of their friends. Those who despise flagrant sinners and honor the faithful followers of You Lord and who respect Your law. Those who keep their promises, even when it hurts them. Those who lend money without charging

interest and who cannot be bribed to lie or condemn the innocent. People who will stand firm on truth without ever wavering. Father, we need leaders with these qualities, so please be gracious and merciful to us in this election. And for those who are serving in the precincts and are counting the ballots, I pray that they would conduct themselves righteously and if not, that they would be discovered, found out, and brought to justice. Please give us an honest and righteous election. I believe this to be Your will, so I ask Your will to be done - not mine. **Amen.**”

I hope you found this example helpful. And as I said before, you're free to use whatever format you like.

This concludes today's prayer. If you have prayed this prayer sincerely, then you have completed your ninth day in the heat of the spiritual war that we're engaged in! God Bless You!

Until tomorrow, let's stay Faithful, Grateful, And Humble!