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WEEK OF AUGUST 24

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: Psalm 145-150; Proverbs 1-8

Pray for honest public discourse and reporting during the campaign.

Pray for the truth to prevail in this election cycle as debates are held and policies are presented to the public. Pray that the media would have integrity – and accurately and objectively report on the different candidates, parties, platforms, and policies.

Key Passages

Proverbs 4:24. “Put away from you crooked speech and put devious talk far from you.”

Proverbs 6:16-17 mentions a “lying tongue” as something that is abominable to the Lord.

WEEK OF AUGUST 31

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: Proverbs 9-20

Pray for accuracy when the votes are counted in this year’s election.

With a larger percentage of absentee and mail-in ballots cast this year, it will be easier for ballots to get lost, erroneously counted, or delayed in the mail – and be considered invalid. Pray for accuracy and integrity in the voting process – for those voting and those tabulating the votes.

Key Passages

Proverbs 11:1. “A false balance is an abomination to the Lord, but a just weight is his delight.”

Proverbs 20:23. “Unequal weights are an abomination to the Lord, and false scales are not good.”

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: Proverbs 21-29

Pray for religious liberty to thrive. Pray that religious liberty would be courageously and consistently upheld – in the United States and around the world.

While a broad measure of religious freedom is enjoyed in the United States, we must work to preserve this ideal so that no one is persecuted for living according to their orthodox religious beliefs. Religious liberty is also a core human right which should be protected worldwide. Pray for the persecuted church and others who are persecuted for their faith and are not able to freely live according to their biblical beliefs. Pray that those in law and government would uphold

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religious liberty as a value and not sacrifice it on the altar of political correctness. May those who have religious convictions stand strong when facing discrimination.

Key Passage

Proverbs 24:23. "These also are sayings of the wise. Partiality in judging is not good."

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: Proverbs 30-31; Ecclesiastes 1-8

Pray for human life and human dignity to be upheld. Pray for the mothers, fathers, and children affected by abortion.

Each year, over 600,000 babies are aborted in America. As many young women find themselves in unplanned situations, pray that they would receive God-honoring counsel, that they would choose life for their babies, and find support through pregnancy resource centers, churches, and caring families. Pray for those in public office to protect the rights of the unborn, that hearts would be changed, and abortion would end in our country and around the world.

Key Passages

Proverbs 31:8-9. "Open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute. Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and needy."

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2a. "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die."

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: Ecclesiastes 9-12; 1 Chronicles 1-9

Pray for families to flourish and a biblical understanding of marriage and human sexuality to be reflected in our public policy.

A moral revolution is sweeping our nation. Tragically, divorce, absentee fatherhood, pornography, and a host of other social ills are wreaking havoc on America's families. Pray for men to assume their responsibilities as husbands and fathers, which will lead to strong marriages and families. Pray for those wrestling with questions related to sexuality and gender identity; pray they would receive wise counsel from God's word. Pray also that the church would stand on biblical truth concerning marriage and human sexuality and that Christians would have the courage to live by their convictions rooted in biblical truth.

Key Passages

Ecclesiastes 9:9a exhorts: "Enjoy life with the wife whom you love."

1 Chronicles 1-9 (Genealogies). In an interesting way, the genealogies demonstrate the faithfulness of the Lord to each generation.

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 28

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: 1 Kings 1-8

Pray for the health of our nation as we combat coronavirus during this election season. Pray that COVID-19 would not be used to disrupt or undermine our national elections.

As COVID-19 continues to be a concern for many across our nation and around the world, we must continue to be vigilant to serve our neighbors and pray for the health of our leaders. Pray for

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vulnerable populations including the elderly and immunocompromised. Also pray that the virus would not be used as a deterrent that keeps people from voting.

Key Passage

1 Kings 8:37-40 (Solomon's prayer during the temple dedication). In his prayer, Solomon mentions pestilence, plague, and sickness. In the days ahead, Solomon asks God to heal the people when they turn to Him and ask for healing.

WEEK OF OCTOBER 5

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: 1 Kings 9-11; 2 Chronicles 10-20

Pray for pastors and other church leaders as they lead their congregations to think biblically about the moral issues facing our nation.

Christians must engage in the political arena from a biblical worldview. Specifically, pastors and Christian leaders have a responsibility to speak prophetically to the issues in our culture that the Bible speaks to. Pray that pastors would seek to be well informed and have discernment as they answer and give advice to their congregations. Pray that Christian leaders will be strong and courageous in standing for the truth as we approach this election.

Key Passage

2 Chronicles 18:18-22. (Micaiah prophesies against Ahab). In this passage, Micaiah, the only faithful prophet, says there is a "lying Spirit" in the mouth of the other prophets. Christian leaders today need to be prophetic and willing to stand against the prevailing cultural trends.

WEEK OF OCTOBER 12

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: 2 Chronicles 21-34

Pray for wisdom and courage for our current and future leaders. Pray those elected to positions of authority would fear God and serve in an honorable way.

While the presidency is the highest office in the country, the president has a large team working in the background to carry out, accomplish, and defend various policies and laws. Appointing these individuals can come with an overwhelming amount of controversy and criticism. Pray for courage and endurance as government leaders carry out their responsibilities. Pray that these individuals would have a healthy support system in their families, friends, and churches.

Key Passages

2 Chronicles 26:16-23 (King Uzziah's pride). King Uzziah offered unauthorized incense and was struck with leprosy.

2 Chronicles 34:19, 29-33 (King Josiah's response to the law). King Josiah discovered the Book of the Law and immediately repented. He read the law to the people and made a covenant before the Lord (see vv. 30-33).

WEEK OF OCTOBER 19

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: 2 Chronicles 35-36; 1 Kings 12-21

Pray for wisdom and discernment for everyone voting in local, state, and federal elections. Specifically, pray that Christians would engage the political process from a biblical worldview.

Pray that individuals, especially Christians, will choose to engage the political process and

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consider both party platforms and policies in order to make an informed vote in November. Pray for a desire to listen, learn, and engage as we elect leaders for our nation.

Key Passage

1 Kings 12:25-33 (Jeroboam's golden calves). The story shows how corrupt leaders can lead nations astray.

WEEK OF OCTOBER 26

Stand on the Word Bible Reading: 2 Kings 1-10

Pray that peace and unity would be restored in our nation as the truth is pursued and upheld. Pray for those involved in the electoral process including candidates running for office.

2020 has been a tumultuous year and it is easy for different policies to divide our nation's unity and create tension and animosity. Abraham Lincoln paraphrased Mark 3:25 when he said, "United we stand, divided we fall." As we engage in the 2020 presidential election, pray for wisdom, maturity, and active listening to various points of view. We must remember that people with different views are not always operating in bad faith, but often have sincere convictions. Pray for a desire to understand rather than just a desire to be right.

Key Passage

2 Kings 8:8-23. "For those who are with us are more than those who are with them" (v. 16). The passage shows that peace comes from trusting in God.

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