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PRAYERS FOR OUR NATION

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## INTRODUCTION

As we observe the 250th anniversary of the United States and celebrate the freedom we enjoy and cherish, it is right that we should give thanks and praise to God, from whom all blessings flow. In our nation, God has given us the blessings of citizenship, a bountiful land, freedom and a long history of struggle and triumph. Through the prophet Jeremiah, God called on his exiled people to "seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you" (Jeremiah 29:7). With these prayers, we seek the welfare of our nation and pray for God's continued blessings on us all.

### THE BLESSINGS OF CITIZENSHIP

### **CITIZENS**

But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

**PHILIPPIANS 3:20** 

I am a citizen of heaven, yet at the same time, I am a citizen of this earthly nation. Guide me in the power of the Holy Spirit as I seek to carry out my privileges and responsibilities as a citizen of the United States. As a Christian citizen, I want my life to be a witness to you as I serve others in kindness and love. Dear King, I look forward to eternal life in your heavenly realm, but I pray that you would bless me today so that I can be a blessing to others. Accept my grateful praise, Lord Jesus. Amen.



### HAPPY AND BLESSED

Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage.

**PSALM 33:12** 

A lmighty God, surely any earthly nation would be happy and blessed to honor you as Lord. Yet, I know that you have also called me to be part of a different kind of nation. It is an eternal holy nation formed of all those who trust in Jesus for salvation. We who follow Jesus are the Church, the Body of Christ, your own people, created anew by faith to proclaim your excellence. I pray that many more people in these United States, and in nations around the world, will hear and believe the Good News of salvation so that they, too, will be happy and blessed to worship Jesus as Lord. Amen.



### **GOVERNMENT**

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God.

**ROMANS 13:1** 

Lauthorities because the authority they have comes from you. No matter what my opinions might be, this is not a matter of popular rule or political parties. Through the authority that you grant to earthly rulers, you sustain the world you created and love. You raise up rulers who have the task to restrain evil and reward what is good. I pray that the elected officials of this nation and in every nation would rule with godly wisdom and justice, serving those who are subject to them. According to your mercy, lead them to make decisions that will allow us all to live in peace. Amen.



### PAYING TAXES

Pay to all what is due them: taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honor to whom honor is due.

**ROMANS 13:7** 

Dear Savior, I do not like to pay taxes, but I know it is necessary and that you have commanded us to do so. I am to pay taxes, revenue, respect and honor to those to whom such things are due. I also know, Lord Jesus, that the only outstanding debt I should have is the debt of love owed to others. Lead me to walk in love as you walked and to forgive others as you have forgiven me. You loved me and gave yourself for me, and I want to live in a way that glorifies you. I pray that the love I show to others will be a witness to your redeeming love. Amen.

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### PRAYERS FOR OUR NATION

As we observe the 250th anniversary of the United States, with these prayers we offer praise and thanks to God, from whom all blessings flow. God has granted to us the blessings of citizenship, a bountiful land, freedom, a long history and so much more. We pray that God will continue to pour out his blessings on our nation and in our lives.

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