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### Prayer for our Nation

Good Morning! Thank you for the privilege to pray for our Country.

Some people question why would we pray for our nation? They believe that our country's founders weren't really Christians and as a result, we as a nation aren't Christian. Well, our nation very much needs our prayers right now and let's take a brief look at those who set up our nation.

Historically the United States of America is a Christian Nation because our founding fathers were almost to a man, professing Christians. Fifty two of the 55 Founding Fathers who worked on the Constitution were Christians. They founded this nation upon the Judaic-Christian ethic.

When we say that America was founded according to the Judaic-Christian ethic, we mean that Biblical tenets were the basis of all our founding documents, laws, moral codes and institutions. They knew that by establishing our country with this solid foundation, would be the best way to receive God's blessings upon it. And how He has blessed this Nation! God has elevated our country from infancy to a place of world leadership, allowing us to enjoy unprecedented goodness, development, freedom and influence.

To allow this new nation to remain free, with liberty and justice for all and that our unalienable rights shall be recognized to come from God and not the Government, they set our government up as a Constitutional Republic, **not** a Democracy. The Constitution was based on God's Biblical Laws of nature and the 10 Commandments. A Democracy is based on secular laws, and rules by the majority will of the people. If the majority shifts to evil, so then the nation quickly follows.

The founders knew it would be very difficult to keep this new form of government from slipping into corruption and misplaced power over the citizens. James Madison summed it up well when he stated, "We have staked the whole future of American civilization not upon the power of government, far from it. We have staked the future of all our political institution upon the capacity of **each** of us to over ourselves according to the 10 Commandments of God". In other words, we as citizens need to exhibit Godly self-control over our own "**Unbridled Passions**" in order to remain a free society within this limited government framework.

**(Pause)**... It seems now as though our country is under attack from a spiritual darkness from other nations but, what may be more troubling is the attack from within our own borders.

Our Media, Entertainment and School Systems: Have become more pagan, biased, pornographic and dishonest.

Our Government: Has morphed into one of calling good evil, and evil good. This leads to pervasive lawlessness where no justice or peace can be found and chaos becomes the norm.

Our Military: has become more willing to ramp up for war vs. searching for peace.

Our Nation's Sovereignty: seems to be erasing our borders and allowing more critical health and environmental decisions to be **globally** based versus **national** (where we the people decide).

The God-given American Dream in many ways is coming to an end. Godless and Humanistic ideas are ruining our nation. If this nation, so conceived and so dedicated is to long endure, we have to return to the God-given vision for America.

The **choice** is clear. If we follow, once again, God's principles, we will prosper. If we do not, we will continue to decay from within. Here are the real questions of choice:

- Revival or ruin?
- God or Chaos?
- With Him or without Him?
- Culture of life or culture of death?

Let Us Pray:

Dear Heavenly Father,

- Thank you for the work of your hands to create this great Nation
- Thank you for the great men and women that sacrificed and toiled following the strength of your divine Holy Spirit to establish a Constitutional order that allowed us the best chance to remain as free people
- Thanks for the many blessings that flowed forth from this nation that we may prosper and that we may share this abundance and the good news of Salvation with those in need here and around the world

We turn to you for wisdom and discernment as we follow your laws and tenets for governing ourselves and controlling our passions so that they are a blessing and not a curse.

We pray for our current:

- Federal, State, County and City leaders
- For our teachers and professors
- For our Pastors and Priests

That they would all humble themselves and seek your wisdom and discernment as they discharge their duties and obligations bestowed upon them. And that we as citizens, seek that same guidance to decide who is worthy to fill those critical positions.

Although we as a Nation have sinned greatly, we pray that repentance and revival would bring to our country continuous blessings, mercy, hope, joy and Your hand of protection from all our enemies.

We lift these prayers up to you O Lord.

AMEN