**Praying for those in Authority**

**I Timothy 2:1-2 -**I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—  for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

**I Peter 2:17  -**Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor.

**Romans 13:1 -**Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

**Jeremiah 29:7 -**Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.

**II Chronicles 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](https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-study/topical-studies/what-is-heaven-like-11636670.html), and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

**Scriptures to Pray for our Leaders:**

**Psalms 2:10-11** -  Therefore, you kings, be wise; be warned, you rulers of the earth.  Serve the LORD with fear and celebrate his rule with trembling.

**Proverbs 11:14** - For lack of guidance a nation falls, but victory is won through many advisers.

**Proverbs 21:1** - The king’s heart is a stream of water in the hand of the LORD; he turns it wherever he wills.

**Job 12:23-25** - He makes nations great, and destroys them; he enlarges nations, and disperses them.

**Proverbs 2:1-8** - My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, 2) turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding— 3) indeed, if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, 4) and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, 5) then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. 6) For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding. 7) He holds success in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless, 8) for he guards the course of the just and protects the way of his faithful ones.

**Proverbs 28:2** - When there is moral rot within a nation, its government topples easily. But wise and knowledgeable leaders bring stability. (NLT)

**Exodus 18:21** But select . . . . capable, honest men who fear God and hate bribes.

**1 Kings 3:9** - "Give me an understanding heart so that I can govern your people well and know the difference between right and wrong. . . "

**Deut. 16:18-20** Appoint judges and officials . . . . they must judge the people fairly. . . Never accept a bribe, for bribes blind the eyes of the wise and corrupt the decisions of the godly.

**Deut. 17:18-20** When he sits on the throne as king, . . . he must always keep a copy of the {scriptures} with him and read it daily . . . that way he will learn to fear the LORD his God by obeying all the terms of these instructions and decrees. This regular reading will prevent him from becoming proud . . and prevent him from turning away from these commands in the smallest way.

**2 Chron. 19:6-7** Always think carefully before pronouncing judgment. Remember that you do not judge to please people but to please the LORD. . . Fear the LORD and judge with integrity, for the LORD our God does not tolerate perverted justice, or the taking of bribes.

**Psa 111:10** Fear of the LORD is the foundation of true wisdom. All who obey his commandments will grow in wisdom.

**Micah 6:6-7** - do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God

**Psalm 101**