



Iron Men Breakfast Devotional
A Call to Prayer (1Ti 2:1-8) - Noah J. Vincent
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1. ***First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men,***
 - a. God Wants us to pray for each other:
 1. We should pray more throughout the day than just over meals, and for sick people.
 2. We should pray over our own sin, asking God to cleanse us daily so that we can be sanctified and start out each day in right relationship with him. Praying for such things each day brings about conviction and hopefully repentance in your life.
 3. These same prayers should be given for your brothers in Christ. They need prayer over these matters as well. Especially, if they aren't already praying for these things for themselves.
 - b. God wants us to pray for the men of our church.
 1. For their holiness, their faithfulness, and their maturity.
 2. We should be praying for their families.
 3. For their vocations (careers, ministries).
 - c. God wants us to pray for the other men in our lives:
 1. Family, friends, neighbors, co-workers. Are you praying for their salvation? If they are already saved, are you praying for sanctification and faithfulness in their lives?
 2. We should be coming before the Lord in prayer with an attitude of love. Loving our neighbors as ourselves. That means, of course, praying for our neighbors as we would for ourselves.
2. ***“for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.”***
 - a. God wants us to pray for our political leaders to serve the Lord.
 - b. God wants us to pray for other authorities, such as police and judges to do right.

QUESTION: Why is it hard to pray for leaders when we disagree with them? Do we see them as enemies?

3. ***“This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior”***
 - a. Prayer for others pleases God, as it demonstrates our trust in Him.
 - b. Prayer for others glorifies God, as we see Him work and answer our prayers, even when His answer is no or wait.
4. ***“who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.”***
 - a. We should pray for the salvation of men and the knowledge of the truth.
 - b. Prayer alone is not sufficient; “Faith comes by hearing the Word of Christ.”
 - c. When the opportunities arise, we should tell them about Jesus.
5. ***“For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus”***
 - a. Jesus is the only way to God and should be the central focus of our prayer for men.

QUESTION: Why do men need to hear and accept this fact? Is there any hope for them if they reject it?
6. ***“who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony given at the proper time.”***
 - a. We should pray that men hear and receive the Gospel, and then live it out each day.
7. ***“For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying) as a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.”***
 - a. As believers, we have been appointed to share the Gospel with those around us. This is part of our obedience to Christ by stepping out in faith to witness whenever he calls us.
8. ***“Therefore, I want the men in every place to pray, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and dissension.”***
 - a. God wants us to be untainted by sin as we pray for tranquil lives and peace and peace among men.

QUESTION: What are some things that hinder your prayer life? Sin? Poor relationship with your spouse? Poor relationship with your children? Laziness? Distractions?