

Questions for Consideration—1 Timothy 2:1-8—Lesson 5—Godly Incentives to Pray for our Leaders!

1. (a) What does Paul command in 1 Timothy 2:1-8? (b) What are the reasons for this command?

2. Memorize 1 Timothy 2:1, 2. (You might want to obey it too!☺)

3. (a) Paul admonishes the church at Ephesus to pray for their rulers. Who else are we to pray for according to Matthew 5:44 and James 5:16? (b) Do you think there is anyone we should not pray for? (Use Scripture to back your answer.)

4. (a) 1 Timothy 2:4 states that God desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Along with this verse read John 16:15-17, Titus 2:11 and 2 Peter 3:9. What do these verses indicate? (b) Now read John 15: 16-19; Romans 8:29, 30; Ephesians 1:4, 5; 1 Peter 1:2. What do these verses indicate? (c) How do you reconcile these verses? (d) What do you think 1 Timothy 2:4 means?

5. (a) Do you find it difficult to pray for your governing leaders? (b) Why do you think it's important for us to pray for our leaders? (c) What things should we pray regarding them?

6. Take note this week how much time you spent complaining about the government and its leaders compared to how much time you spent praying for the government and its leaders. What did you discover? What will you change?

7. Please write a prayer for the leaders of our nation. Also please include giving of thanks for those in authority over us!

