



## URGENCY FOR PRAYER FOR THOSE IN AUTHORITY

**I Timothy 2: 1-6**

*First of all, then, I urge you to offer to God petitions, prayers, intercessions, and expressions of thanks for all people, for kings, and for everyone who has authority, so that we might lead a quiet and peaceful life with all godliness and dignity. This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to know the truth fully. There is one God. There is also one mediator between God and human beings—a human, the Messiah Jesus. He gave himself as a ransom for everyone, the testimony at the proper time.*

God distributes His dominion through leadership. Nothing can be so disturbing as we see the rise of antisemitism in our K-12 public education. Yet as believer in Christ, Apostle Paul urgently admonished us to fight this spiritual battle through corporate and private intercession daily. A lack of prayer for those in authority opens the door for Satan to wreak havoc among our leadership.

## AMERICAN COLLEGES NATIONWIDE A PROTESTING WAR VS AN ARMY OF PRAISE AND PRAYER

Our social media has inundated the airwaves with college protest of antisemitisms against Israel. God has already prophesied such chaos. The turmoil of thousands of foreign and domestic college students are blinded to their personal spiritual warfare rage against God and His people. Later their personal consequences in lost reputation, job, and schooling runs havoc in their mind 24/7.

Good news: Across America's universities are multiple host of praying and praising students releasing the presence of God's against the darkness of sin and rebellion. **God is sifting His world to separate the sheep from the goats.**

## ONE MAN AND GOD IS A MAJORITY "MAJORITY RULES."

How often we underestimate what God can do through just one person and prayer.

**Noah** – deliverance from the destruction of the earth through his obedience to build a boat.

**Moses** – lead deliverance of 600,000+ Israelites from 400 years of slavery under Ramses II.

**Elijah** – called fire from heaven consuming all the worshipers of Baal who defied the Lord.

**Daniel** – was deliverance from hunger lion's den and his friends from a horrendous fiery furnace.

**Paul** – by faith encouraged 276 ship passengers to follow us instructions to rescue all from death in a sever hurricane storm.

**Jesus** – took the sins of the entire world by death to the cross paying debt we owed God to conquered man last enemy the grave.

**YOU – are one person** with the unique opportunity to encourage one person in our elected leadership of Gwinnett Co.



# OUR UNSUNG HEROES IN GOD'S BOOK



Have you ever had a family member, coworker, or close friend challenge or comment about you for some mistake you made from your past history? It is a very humbling or embarrassing moment to bring up our past false, weaknesses, or rebellious behavior.

Criminal reentry inmates carry a long term curse. It often takes years to be trusted again. To reverse one's reputation is a tough job as was with Apostle Paul. So many did not trust Paul even after his radical conversion to Christ. But Barnabas and others stepped up to the plate to mentor Paul. His past did not control his future.

This is the mindset what 80 to 90% of companies do upon hiring new employees. They see returning citizens as a high risk with any applicant checking the criminal charge box from their past. Substance abuse and mental disorders with criminal charges compound the slim chances of employments, affordable living, and transportation. The above team here and many other churches are the "unsung heroes" who have gone out of their way not to see through criminal's past history, but to see them through to a new and prosperous second chance in life. All of us can rehearse times when folks saw us through!

## YOU HAVE A VOICE WRITTEN IN STONE TO ONE ELECTED OFFICIAL IN GWINNETT CO.

Sometimes we just don't remember how powerful our words are in writing. God's very words created the entire universe. He spoke it all into existence! Amazing! God has delegated that same power in our own lives. We have power to bless people or "say nothing". Elected leaders we prayed for have hectic positions waded down with heavy demands with accountability, and challenging criticisms.

Enclosed is a self-addressed envelope with the name of an elected leader in Gwinnett County along with this enclosed thank you note. Today please take the time to send this leader a word of encouragement with your prayer support for them as was done on the National Day of Prayer.

