

# PRAYING FOR PEOPLE IN AUTHORITY

## Guided Prayer Structure — 8 Minutes

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*“I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity.”*

— **1 Timothy 2:1-4**

### **1. Read a Prayer Alert / Opening Focus** (0.5 min)

Pause and bring to mind the leaders God has placed in authority over your nation, state, city, and church. Ask Holy Spirit to align your heart with His as you pray.

### **2. Thanksgiving & Praise** (1 min)

Enter His gates with thanksgiving. Thank God that He is sovereign over every throne, government, and office — and that He has invited you to partner with Him in prayer for those who lead.

### **3. Pray in the Spirit** (1 min)

Sing or pray in tongues, yielding to Holy Spirit’s leading as you prepare your heart to intercede.

### **4. Read Scripture** (1 min)

Read 1 Timothy 2:1-4 aloud, along with one of these:

- “When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice” (Proverbs 29:2)
- “He has shown you, O man, what is good... to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.” (Micah 6:8)

### **5. Focused Intercession — Praying for Those in Authority** (3 min)

Pray by name, if possible, for:

- Your national leader/president and his/her governing counsel
- Governors, senators, and representatives (national and state)
- Judicial leaders (Supreme Court / local judges)
- Your local pastors and spiritual leaders

Use these prayer points as a guide (adapted from Dr. Charles Stanley’s “Ten R’s”):

- That they would recognize their need for God’s wisdom, not their own understanding
- That they would reject counsel that violates spiritual principles

- That they would resist pressure to compromise their consciences
- That they would rely on God's Word as their daily strength
- That they would restore dignity, honor, and righteousness to their office
- That they would remember they are accountable to God for every decision

## **6. Declaration & Prayer (1.5 min)**

Pray this declaration aloud:

*“Father, in accordance with Your Word, we pause and pray for kings and for those in authority. Raise up godly counsel around our leaders, and silence every voice built on an unbiblical framework. Give wisdom like Solomon’s, and purity, protection, and safety for them. We pray for those in authority in the judicial system, and we bless them in the name of the Lord of hosts. Let those truly appointed by You rise to the top with favor, as cream rises to the top of milk. Restore dignity, honor, trustworthiness, and righteousness in the land.”*

## **7. Final Thanksgiving (0.5 min)**

Close with praise, thanking God that this prayer is “good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth” (1 Timothy 2:3-4). In Yeshua’s great name, Amen.

**Total runtime: ~8 minutes**

*Global Prayer Storm — Empower Page: Prayer Guides for the 7 Prayer Focus Topics (Governmental Intercession)*