



Prayer Guide for Fasting and Prayer on Thursday, June 18, 2020

“Prayer is awe, intimacy, struggle—yet the way to reality.
There is nothing more important, or harder, or richer, or more life-altering.
There is absolutely nothing so great as prayer.”

— Timothy Keller

Pray that the Lord would annihilate racism in every form. Pray that we as God’s people would especially mourn with those scarred by this evil, and stand against its practice at every opportunity. (Psalm 87; Romans 12:15, 21)

Pray that the violence unleashed on our streets and in our cities will cease peaceably. Pray for the safety of the men and women in uniform who daily risk their lives to care for the public. (Proverbs 1:18–19; Matthew 5:9)

Pray for our government leaders: our president, our governor, county supervisor, and our county health officials and others. That they would repent and believe on Jesus (be born again). If they refuse, that God would cause them to act in wisdom even in spite of themselves. That we may lead quiet and peaceable lives in godliness and reverence. (1 Tim. 2:1–4)

Pray for a contrite and broken spirit among believers as we become aware of sin in our lives. That we would live ongoing lives of repentance before God and others. (Isaiah 57:15; 2 Cor. 7:10)

Thank the Lord for His promise to extend mercy to those who confess and forsake their sin, and that He is faithful and just to forgive sin and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (Proverbs 28:13; 1 John 1:9)

Pray that our hearts together will be filled with:

“the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,” so we would, “walk in a manner worthy of the Lord to please Him in all respects...bearing fruit...strengthened with all power according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light. For He rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.” (Colossians 1:9–14)

Praise God that His hand is not short that it cannot save nor His ear heavy that it cannot hear. He reigns in matchless goodness, unthwartable wisdom and omnipotent might over all! Walk in the comforting promise that the Lord draws near to all those who call on Him in truth (Isaiah 59:1; Psalm 103:19, 145:18; Matthew 11:28–29).