

Election Spiritual Warfare Prayer - State & Local Ballot initiatives, Propositions (Part Two)

Today, we will be picking up where we left off yesterday. We will be praying about ballot initiatives and not any particular office holder. We will also be taking a step deeper into spiritual conflict. What this means practically is that we will pray directly against the principalities and powers of darkness that insinuate their evil ideologies into the culture in order to turn the culture against God and His law (the laws of nature and nature's God).

The good news is as Christians who love the Lord Jesus Christ, we are more than conquerors on account of our relationship to Jesus Christ.

ROMANS 8:37 *No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him [Jesus] who loved us.*

1 JOHN 4:4 *Little children, you are from God and have overcome them [evil spirits V3], for He [Spirit of God] who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.*

As a result, because of this spiritual reality, we are **not victims**, but we are conquerors now appointed to be warriors to fight against the spirit of antichrist and his evil agents which keep people, families, communities, and nations in bondage. We are called by God to wage spiritual war. But to do that, we must be sure we put on the full armor of God. Obviously, we do this before we go into the conflict. As a result, today's reading and prayer will have two parts.

PART ONE

So, the first scripture we will be praying today is **Ephesians 6:10-18**. As usual, I recommend that you read through this passage reflectively, at least one time (you may want to read it a number of times in different translations) and then pray it, by personalizing it.

EPHESIANS 6:10-18 *Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. 14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16 above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; 18 praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints.*

Here is an example of what today's prayer might look like. You are free to use any style or arrangement or words you like, so long as you follow the basic substance of the passage.

“Almighty God, I come to you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I do so in full confidence and faith, because you are the all-knowing, all-loving, all-wise, all-powerful, all-sovereign, Almighty God. You are Yahweh, the Most High God! But most graciously, You are my Heavenly Father. I love You. I worship and adore You. And today, with humility, I appeal to You to hear my prayer and answer my plea...

... I pray that You would strengthen me in the Spirit and in the power of His might, as I put on the whole armor of God, so that I will be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For I do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, and against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore, empower me as I take up the whole armor of God, that I may be able to withstand the powers of darkness in this evil day, and having done all I can to stand, I determine to stand steadfast and unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. Therefore, by grace through faith, I now fasten on the belt of truth, and I put on the breast plate of righteousness. And as shoes for my feet, I put on the readiness given to me by the gospel of peace. In every and all circumstances, I now take up the shield of faith, with which I can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one. I also take up the helmet of salvation and the sword of the spirit, which is the Word of God. And I pray at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, please keep me alert with all perseverance, as I make supplication for all God's people and the people of this nation. Please fill me with your Holy Spirit now, and produce within me His fruits and power that I might wage Spiritual War effectively for Your glory and the good of all people. So, I offer this prayer in the mighty name of Jesus Christ, my Savior. Amen.”

If you have prayed this prayer sincerely, you are now ready to move on to part two of today's prayer - Focus.

PART TWO

Our prayer focus will be on... State Ballot Initiatives (Part Two)

Below is a state ballot initiatives summary that gets at the heart of the propositions beyond the deceptive and confusing titles (adapted from *Nancy's Picks*):

Prop 2: Public Education Facilities Bond Measure to “Borrow” \$10 Billion

Prop 3: Marriage Prop--Right to Same-Sex Marriage Enshrined Into CA Const.

Prop 4: \$10 Billion in More CA Debt for Unspecified Climate Projects

Prop 5: Guts Tax Protections of Prop 13--Makes Easier to Raise Taxes

Prop 6: Eliminates Servitude for Incarcerated, Removes Requirement that Criminals Have to Work

Prop 32: Raise the State Minimum Wage to \$18 an Hour

Prop 33: Prohibit State Limitations on Local Rent Control Initiative

Prop 34: Prevents Using Taxpayer Money in Politics

Prop 35: Tax Increase for Health Care

Prop 36: Drug and Theft Crime Penalties and Treatment-Mandated Felonies Initiative--Restores some of what Prop 47 Lost

(List any other ballot initiatives here.)

Our scripture reading is:

1 KINGS 8:56-58 *Blessed be the LORD..., 57 (May) The LORD our God be with us, as He was with our fathers. May He not leave us or forsake us, 58 that He may incline our hearts to Him, to walk in all His ways and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His rules, which He commanded our fathers.*

EXODUS 15:3 *Yahweh is a Warrior; Yahweh is His name.*

PSALM 24:8 *Who is the king of glory? Yahweh, strong and mighty; Yahweh, mighty in war!*

The Scripture we will be praying today is:

PSALM 70:4-5

Here is the passage from God's Word that we will be praying over the state ballot initiatives (listed above). Please feel free to add any other ballot measures that you want to bring before God in prayer.

PSALM 70:4-5 *Let them rejoice and be glad in you, all those who seek you. Let them say continually, "God is great!" those who love your salvation. 5 But I am poor and needy; O God hasten to me. You are my help and my deliverer. O Yahweh, do not delay.*

*Read through this passage (Psalm 70:4-5) **reflectively** at least one time (you may want to read it a number of times in different translations) and then pray it, putting your name in the place of the psalmist's.

Here is an example of what today's prayer might look like. You are free to use any style or arrangement or words you like so long as you follow the basic substance of the passage.

"My dear Heavenly Father, your name is holy, for you are the most high God, and you abound in righteousness, truth, and love! And as I come to you in prayer now, I come seeking the advancement of your kingdom and your will on earth, as it is in heaven. and I am asking that the fullness of your kingdom would come in my heart so that your will could be done in my life and this prayer that I am praying now would be in accordance with your perfect sovereign will. So, now I rejoice and I am glad in you. Dear Father, cause all those who seek You to rejoice and be glad in You. Let them continually say God is great! Especially those who love Your salvation and know Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Father, we are poor and needy. We seemingly lack any significant influence for righteousness in our state government, but you are our God. But, You are our help and our deliverer. O, God come quickly to my cry. O, Yahweh, do not delay. ...

Heavenly Father, we need You to wage this war successfully. So, my Loving Father, I come in humble obedience to use the weapons of my warfare against the darkness that is seeking to rule the people of my city, county, state, and nation. I affirm that the weapons You have given me have divine power that is sufficient to demolish every stronghold Satan has built to hold back Your plan. In the Lord Jesus Christ's mighty name, I use the weapons of my warfare to weaken and demolish every dominion, authority, power of darkness, and wicked spirit in the heavenly realm who has strategized to hinder revival, to overthrow civic righteousness, and to destroy any form of human flourishing. And your people are a particular target of their evil machinations and plans.

Therefore, In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the power of His blood, **I pull down all levels of the stronghold behind proposition/measure or ballot initiative _____** [name, letter or number]. (Choose the particular proposition/measure or ballot initiative you are praying against)

Specifically, I ask that the above propositions/measures and ballot initiatives be defeated in this upcoming election, and that those who are behind its authorship would lose their influence in my state. I further pray that they would turn from their sin, and by faith receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, that they may know You, which is to know true life, indeed. I pray that Your Will, not my will be done in these matters, **Amen”**

I hope you found this example helpful. And as I said before, you're free to use whatever format you like.

This concludes today's prayer. If you have prayed this prayer sincerely, then you have completed your fifth day in the heat of the spiritual war that we're engaged in! God Bless You!

Until tomorrow, let's stay Faithful, Grateful, And Humble.