

**Politics and The Church
Franklin Heights Church
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Rocky Mount-CrossPointe-Union Hall-Recovery Church-Español-Ferrum College

Text: 1 Timothy 2:1-7 (ESV)

Action: We commit to pray for all political leaders as commanded in the Scripture.

1 Timothy 3:15 (ESV)

if I delay, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:1a (ESV)

First of all,

Matthew 28:18-20 (ESV)

And Jesus came and said to them, "ALL authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of ALL nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe ALL that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Exodus 17:12-13 (ESV)

But Moses' hands grew weary, so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it, while Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side. So his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua overwhelmed Amalek and his people with the sword.

1 Timothy 2:1 (ESV)

First of all, then, I urge . . .

1. We pray for _____ people.

1 Timothy 2:1 (ESV)

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people,

1 Timothy 2:2 (ESV)

for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.

2. We pray because of God's heart for the _____.

1 Timothy 2:3 (ESV)

This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior,

1 Timothy 2:4 (ESV)

who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Ezekiel 33:11 (ESV)

Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

3. We pray because God has designated Jesus as the only _____.

1 Timothy 2:5-6 (ESV)

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

1 Timothy 2:7 (ESV)

For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.