

CHRIST COVENANT REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

But ye are come unto mount Zion... And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant (Hebrews 12.22, 24)



SCRIPTURE ALONE—GRACE ALONE—FAITH ALONE—BY CHRIST
ALONE—TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY!
REFORMED, AND ALWAYS REFORMING

Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 05/27/2020

Opening Prayer

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First Exhortation: The Christian Family

Pray for the Church, that she would teach, encourage, and support the Bible's teaching concerning the family.

1. Pray for the ministers of the Gospel, that teaching the whole counsel of God, they would teach the Biblical doctrine of family; proper marriage and chastity, childbearing, provision for a household, Biblical roles of husband and wife, raising children to the glory of God and the advancement of His kingdom, and living as strong Christian families in a world hostile on many fronts to the Bible's teaching. (Genesis 24.60; 30.30)
2. Pray for men and women that they would desire to take their places among the "families of Israel" that know the blessing of the Lord in obedience to His calling and ordering of what a family ought to be, each in taking up their Scriptural roles as Father and Mother with joy. (Proverbs 31.10-31)
3. Pray for Christian parents, that they would take an active and primary role in the training of their children for the glory of God, bringing them up according to the Scriptures, fitting them for their future stations in life. (Ephesians 6.4)
4. Pray for husbands and fathers, that they would not abdicate their role as head of the household, as those who will give account before the Lord as the family's leader, that they would be mindful of this responsibility, and not endeavor to off-load or shirk this duty, but would take it up with vigor, determination, and forethought. (Genesis 18.18-19)
5. Pray for wives and mothers, that their desire would not be for leadership of the home, but to assist their husbands in their God-given duty and responsibility as head of household, that Christian families and homes would not be divided but places of harmony, peace, and an adornment to Christ and His Kingdom. (1 Timothy 5.13)
6. Pray for children of Christian families, that according to their age they would learn to be serious, sober-minded, taking their places at an early age among the whole of the Church, seeking to glorify Christ in all things. (Luke 2.46)
7. Pray for Christian families, for modesty, frugality, sober-mindedness, and a proper ordering of priorities in this "two income culture" that the virtue of the husband as breadwinner, and the wife as "home worker" would be sought, and that the Lord would give success to these families. (Titus 2.3-5)

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Second Exhortation: Conviction and Devotion Among the People of God: Psalm 119.2, 10, 34, 58, 69, 145; 138.1

Pray for the Church, for the depth of her devotion to the Lord.

1. Pray for the Visible Church, that her devotion to the Lord would be heart-felt, as she partakes of a pure devotion to the Lord. (Jeremiah 3.10)
2. Pray that the Lord would turn the hearts of His people to Himself that they would seek first His Kingdom and Righteousness. (Matthew 6.33)
3. Pray that the Lord would root hypocrisy out of His Church, or that He would be pleased to convert hypocrites to Himself in truth, as they continue under the means of grace. (Psalm 51.13; 1 Corinthians 5)
4. Pray that the Lord would chastise His people, for His Fatherly goodness, such that the wayward and hypocritical among them would be brought to faith in Christ. (Isaiah 10.6)
5. Pray that the people of God would be humble, that hypocrisy would not break out into an "external show" but that the Church would be diligent in secret devotion. (Matthew 6.3)
6. Pray for an inward devotion and obedience that works out properly into an outward observance and practice of our most holy faith, that our "righteousnesses" would not be done with man as the primary audience. . (Luke 13.15)
7. Pray for more secret religion, time spent alone with the Lord, that it would have its due fruit in a greater love for Him and service unto Him, in all things. (Psalm 63.6)
8. Pray for the Church, that her public ministry would be clamorous and complaining, but humble and wise, "like a weaned child" before the Lord. (Psalm 131.2)
9. Pray that it would be the overwhelming desire of the Church and her membership to know the Lord, to serve Him, even at great cost to themselves. (Philippians 3.9-14)
10. Pray that the Church would have that right and proper "one thing, one thing desired" that is, to dwell in the house of the Lord all her days, beholding His beauty and loveliness. (Psalm 27.4; Luke 10.42)

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Closing prayer