

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, 12/11/2019

Opening Prayer

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First Exhortation: The Ethics of the People of God: 2 Timothy 3.10-17; Psalm 119.97-104

Pray for the people of God, that their ethic would be informed by Scripture, unto every good work.

1. Pray that the Ministers of the Gospel would preach the Law of God, Biblical ethics, and their implications from the pulpits of our land, that God's people would be informed of their duty in this world. (Deuteronomy 4.13)
2. Pray that the Lord's timeless ethical standard may be rightly adapted and taught in sound preaching, and not done away with or destroyed, that God's people would have respect for the Lord's own ethical standards. (Psalm 119.6, 128)
3. Pray for confession and repentance among the people of God for substituting their own commands for God's, for following the ethic of the world, and for minimizing and obviating the Lord's standards for living. (Matthew 15.1-9)
4. Pray that ministers would preach, and all in the Church would see the breadth of God's commandments, that they inform every area of our lives. (2 Timothy 3.16-17; Psalm 119.96)
5. Pray for a godly interest and application of the Law of God, among the people of God, in all areas of their lives: In their callings, family order, social relations, Church attendance, private devotion, recreation, leisure, works of charity and mercy, in following orthodox doctrine, etc. and for humble submission to the Word of God in all these and all other areas. (Deuteronomy 8.1-9)
6. Pray that the Church would be especially mindful of the first table of the Law, for greater obedience: in devotion to the true God, in worship, in reverence for the Name of God, and in Sabbath keeping. (Ezekiel 20.18-20)
7. Pray also for Biblical teaching, and obedience regarding the second table of the Law, especially in the 5th commandment, so that all might learn to love their neighbors as themselves. (Matthew 22.36-40)
8. Pray for the Church, for repentance from the sin of regarding the Word of God insufficient to teach an ethical standard that is sufficient for all of life, informing every duty, before the Lord. (Colossians 2.4-11; 16-23)
9. Pray that ministers would teach, and all would obey, a proper general equity regarding the commandments of the Lord, and that the Church would repent of calling the Bible and its commands "obsolete". (Psalm 119.89-96; Matthew 5.18)

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Second Exhortation: Pray for those Persecuted for Righteousness: 1 Peter 4.12-19; 2 Thessalonians 1.3-12

Prayer for the people of God, that they would willingly suffer for righteousness sake.

1. Pray that obedience to the Lord, and living godly in Christ Jesus, would be the driving motivator for believers, that they would consider the eternal weight of glory to outweigh the momentary light affliction that comes to them for their obedience to the Word of the Lord. (2 Corinthians 4.15-18)
2. Pray that the Church would not be weary in well doing, even when it is costly, and that the people of God would persevere in faith and holiness under the disapproval of those who would have them turn from the Word of God in their practice. (Galatians 6.9; 1 Peter 4.1-6)
3. Pray for an encouraging example in those who suffer for their obedience to the Word of the Lord, that it would encourage others to obey the Lord more closely as well. (1 Thessalonians 2.13-16)
4. Pray that the privilege of serving the Lord, and being under His approving countenance, would outstrip all other motivation, so that the Church would be more prepared to obey, than to have comfort, pleasure, or relief from even mild persecution, in drawing back from full obedience. (Hebrews 10.32-39)
5. Pray for that godly rejoicing among the people of God which accompanies suffering for His Name's sake: (Matthew 5.10; Acts 5.40-41)
6. Pray that God's people would never seek out persecution, but quiet, faithful obedience to the Lord, no matter the consequences. (Daniel 6.1-13)
7. Pray for a fearless, yet respectful and holy answer from the people of God to all who would persecute them, that in such times they may give a competent witness to the Name of the Lord. (Daniel 3.1-18; 1 Peter 3.15)
8. Pray for a right and holy understanding of the fleeting nature of this world and its approval, that we would bear its frowns and persecution with an eye toward that heavenly city to which we belong, and that we would never imperil our citizenship in that heavenly city by seeking to please those of this world. (1 John 4.1-6; Hebrews 11.13-16, 24-27)

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Closing Prayer