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**PRAYER
MINISTRY**

Does the Bible teach that
we can lose salvation?

TACKLING TOUGH QUESTIONS

...And does it teach that you have
free will to believe and follow Christ?

The Importance and

The Power of Prayer



**Praying for Leaders
and for Workers in
the Harvest**

Prayer Strategy Review

Be persistent prayer and always have an attitude of prayer

Remember that when it comes to spiritual warfare, prayer is among your greatest offensive and defensive weapons

Recognizing the powerful outline of the Model Prayer

Following the example of Jesus' life in steadfast prayer

We need to be aware of obstacles to successful prayer

When trouble comes, pray to the Lord FIRST!

1 Timothy 2:1-2 (NIV₂₀₁₁) ¹ I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people -

² for kings and all those in authority,

that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.

God shows no partiality and calls us to lift up all people in prayer and thanksgiving.

This does not mean that we are Christian "doormats", but that what is most recognizable to the world is our demonstration of peace, quietness, godliness, and holiness.

Do you know who the emperor was at the time Paul was writing? Was he "worthy" of the prayers of God's people?

Do our actions show that we belong to the Kingdom of God and not to the kingdoms of this world?

1 Timothy 2:3-4 (HCSB) ³ This is good, and it pleases God our Savior,
⁴ who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

*What is good and pleases God? That we pray for all people, including all those in authority **AND** that we live peaceful and quiet lives demonstrating godliness and holiness.*

Don't miss this! God desires that all would know the truth so that He can set them free! This includes all those leaders who are enemies of Jesus Christ (which, in our country, are a lot of them!). Imagine the impact American leaders can have if they are TRULY following Christ!

Do you pray for the salvation of those whose views are vastly opposed to yours and God's?

So, then, let us participate and pray for workers in the Harvest:

Matthew 9:36-38 (ESV) ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The

harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

When you see those who are wandering away towards the things of this world, do you view them as helpless and in need of our Lord and Savior?

If you have compassion for them, will you both pray and participate in the harvest for God's Kingdom?

Since it is God's desire that all come to salvation, will you both pray and share the good news?