



“The king’s heart is in the hand of the LORD, like water turned from the river to an irrigation ditch, He turns it wherever He wishes.” Proverbs 21:1 Author’s paraphrase.

Do we need a better encouragement than this to pray for our leaders? Prayer is not only needed by our leaders but we must remember that our prayers for leaders will also impact the lives of the countless people directly under the influence of those same leaders! And don’t forget, as we pray for our leaders, our prayers will also fall out to our own benefit as well. “Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.” (1Timothy 2:1 – 2).

As you pray, be filled with a confidence that your leaders – especially as you’ve obeyed Paul’s injunction to young Timothy – are being directed by the Lord’s purposes. It is a small thing for the Lord to direct our leaders. Though they even be godless and have no fear of the Lord, our prayers are impacting their lives and God is using them to bring about His plan in the earth. Whether an ancient Pharaoh or a current day president, whether he is godless or believing, whether a member of our political party or the opposition’s party – Jesus’ reign is supreme. He is the Lord of lords and King of kings.

“The Lord has prepared His throne in the heavens, and His kingdom rules over all.” (Psalm 103:19).

Let us be found in partnership with the Lord, acting as His agents, praying for His purposes into the governments of our various cities and countries.

“Father, help us to be strong in faith as we face the often godless and power corrupted politicians. Help us to lift up the hands of these leaders who fear You. May we serve Your purpose for our country as we pray for our leaders. In Jesus’ name!”

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