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# **TWENTY-ONE (21) DAY DANIEL SEASON OF PRAYER**

OCTOBER 25-NOVEMBER 15, 2020

During this time of both hope and anxiety, in our nation, as well as in our own personal lives, the Lord is leading me to call our church into a season of prayer. The number of 21 days comes from Daniel 10: 1-14. This passage of scripture has been the basis of our 21 Day Daniel Fast which usually takes place at the beginning of the New Year, customarily January 2-22. However, during this special season, our emphasis will not be on fasting, but on prayer. Of course, persons may engage in various kinds of fasting, if they choose or feel led to do so.

During this time, we are called to pray three times a day, following the discipline and regimen of Daniel (Daniel 6: 10). Our Daniel Season of Prayer will consist of two parts----October 25-November 3 and November 4-November 15. We have also included a link for a playlist of music for each day of this prayer season to enhance your time with the Lord: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLL4jElbYE4nC7tVZU0HETHkUrklNvzJul>

*October 25-November 4*

**P-V-P**

**PRAY! VOTE! PEACE!**

**PRAY!**

During the first 10 days we are asked to commit ourselves to **PRAY** following the teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ found in Luke 18: 1-8: “Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, ‘In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’ And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

## VOTE

However, as followers of the Lord Jesus Christ who are citizens of the United States of America, we have the civic opportunity and Christian responsibility and duty to **VOTE**, remembering the words of Jeremiah 3: 15: “I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.”

We are called upon to vote for candidates who reflect God’s heart, who are true shepherds to the people of God. In John 10: 11-16, the Lord Jesus described the good shepherd: “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.”

We must have leaders who have a true heart for God and the people they are called to lead, rather than an ego-driven and politically motivated spirit. We need to vote for leaders who have a sacrificial rather than self-serving and self-enriching spirit. We must have leaders who will seek to bring us together as a nation rather than divide us for their own personal profit and gain. Remember---Being a Christian is not just about praying. Being a Christian is also about getting up off of our knees and voting. We must not only pray for change and for peace. We must also vote for change and for peace. We have not fulfilled our responsibility as Christians until we have voted after we have prayed.

On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, which is Election Day, we will conduct 24 hours of prayer. Starting at 12 midnight, we will stream a live prayer which will be led by one of our ministers or intercessors. You may join us at the top of every hour for a short word of prayer as we seek the Lord’s guidance in our vote, the Lord’s will regarding the outcome of the election, and the Lord’s protection from any efforts at voter suppression.

## PEACE

During this season we are also called upon to pray for **PEACE** using Micah 6: 8 as our foundation---“He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.” There are elements in our society who will be restless, resentful and even violent, if they disapprove or disagree with results of the election . Some of these elements have been encouraged by certain political leaders in their hateful, racist, violent and insurrectionist attitudes. We as the people of God are called upon to pray for peace, reconciliation, and restoration, as exemplified in justice, loving kindness, humility and unity among us as a nation.

*November 4-November 15*

**P-H-P**

**PRAY! HEALING! PEACE!**

## **PRAY**

During this period, we are to continue our discipline of praying three times a day.

## **HEALING**

One of the challenges of this season is the Corona Virus pandemic which still rages in our midst. During the next eleven days we are to pray for healing in our own lives as well as healing in this nation and the world from this deadly pestilence. Jeremiah 17: 14 will be the scriptural foundation for our prayers---“Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved; for you are my praise.”

## **PEACE**

Healing not only includes physical restoration, but spiritual, mental and emotional recovery and renewal, as well. Therefore, during this time, we are to continue our prayers for peace within us individually, as well as peace among us as “one nation under God, with liberty and justice for all.”

## **CONCLUSION**

We are all called to participate in this 21 Day Daniel Season of Prayer, believing that the words of Jeremiah spoken so long ago to the returned exiles from the Babylonian captivity also apply to us---“For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you (Jeremiah 29: 10-11-12).

*AMEN! IT IS SO!!*