## We Must Pray for Our Nation

Charlie Prior August 10, 2016 PM Service 2 Chronicles 7:14, 2 Samuel 24:25, Micah 6:8, Exodus 18:21, 2 Cor. 10:3-4, Zach. 4:6, Ephesians 6:12, John 14:14, Hebrews 4:12, 10:19, James 5:16b-18 (AMPL), 1 Kings 18:36-37, 2 Kings 18:19, 2 Chron. 20:12

#### 2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

#### 2 Samuel 24:25

And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the LORD was intreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.

## As Christians in the U.S.A., we are dual citizens.

We are citizens of the U.S. & citizens of the Kingdom of God.

As citizens of the Kingdom of God, we are responsible to do justly, love mercy & walk humbly with God.

#### Micah 6:8

He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

As citizens of the U.S., we are responsible to select leaders who fear God, love truth, & hate dishonest gain.

#### Exodus 18:21

Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:

A U.S. politician recently met with Pastor Nichols for prayer, saying, "Our nation has lost its way, and we don't know what to do."

A recent article from Andrew Wommack states that over 10 million non-voting conservatives could have swayed the results of recent elections.

Dr. Martin Luther King stated that whoever "passively accepts evil is just as responsible" (as those perpetrating the evil.)

A recent article from David Barton discusses the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of America's motto: "In God We Trust" (originally established July 1956. & placed on U.S. coins since 1864.)

### Prayer is

# supernaturally powerful

2 Corinthians 10:3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:

2 Corinthians 10:4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

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Ephesians 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

## John 14:14 lf ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

#### Hebrews 4:12

For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Hebrews 10:19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,



# why don't we? (pray)

Many people are too overwhelmed with their personal battles to think they can affect national matters.

"You will see more, when you pray more." – Pastor Bob Nichols James 5:16 b (AMPL) The earnest (heartfelt, continued) prayer of a righteous man makes tremendous power available <dynamic in its working>.

#### James 5:17 (AMPL)

Elijah was a human being with a nature such as we have < with feelings, affections, and a constitution like ours>; and he prayed earnestly for it not to rain, and no rain fell on the earth for three years and six months. James 5:18 (AMPL) And <then> he prayed again and the heavens supplied rain and the land produced its crops <as usual>.

Prayer produces supernatural results

#### **1 Kings 18:36**

And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word.

1 Kings 18:37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the LORD God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again.

2 Kings 18:19 And Rabshakeh said unto them, Speak ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence is this wherein thou trustest?

#### 2 Chronicles 20:12 O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon thee.

If God wakes you up at 3 a.m., you are to pray, because God has set you as a watchman.

# Pray for liberty to preach with boldness.