

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, 02/24/2021

Opening Prayer

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First Exhortation: Public and Private Education: 1 Corinthians 1.17-31; 1 Timothy 6.20-21

Pray for the education system in the West, that the Lord would cast down vain philosophy, and give light instead.

1. Pray for godly administration in schools at every level, that the vain and harmful philosophies of this world would be refused, and truth, candor, honesty, openness, and godly examination of God's creation would proceed in the place of harmful and sinful theory. (Colossians 2.8)
2. Pray for teachers, that they would hear the Gospel, turn to Christ, and remember the biblical maxim, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom," and "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of Knowledge." (Proverbs 1.7; 9.10)
3. Pray for Christian parents, that they would exercise proper oversight, under Christ, for their children's education, that they would provide education for them that brings every thought captive to Christ. (2 Corinthians 10.1-6)
4. Pray for parents, that they would protect their children from the insidious and hidden agenda of the enemy of their souls in the many forms it is presented to families today—in education, in recreation, in entertainment, in leisure, etc. so that children would learn themselves to be discerning in their choices, fleeing all evil courses and saturating their minds instead with Scripture and its saving, sanctifying, and edifying truth. (Proverbs 30.8; Matt. 6.13; Romans 12.9)
5. Pray for sound curriculum that gives glory to God, places man in his proper, humble position before God, and places the Word of God at the fore of all learning and investigation. (2 Timothy 3.10-17)
6. Pray that students would learn to bring their devotion to Christ to be on all their studies, that Christian students would not learn to secularize their education, or separate it from their service to the Lord, but that instead they would seek to glorify God in the way the study, in what they learn, and especially as they are fitted for their future stations in life. (1 Corinthians 10.31; Proverbs 22.6)
7. Pray for higher education in the US, that the Lord would cast down godless theories of sociology, psychology, economics, and all others (including the "hard" sciences) that the truth of Scripture would take its place in colleges, universities, seminaries. Pray the Lord would raise up godly voices in the "lyceum." (Romans 1.19-23; Acts 17.18-37)
8. Pray that the Lord would make a way for Christian educators in our land, and godly students, that they might raise up their voice, that the Lord would give strength and favor to them. (Psalm 127.3-5; 119.98-100)

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2nd Exhortation: The Saints and Affliction: John 16.1-6; 1 Peter 4.12-19

Pray for the people of God, for preparation for, endurance under, and spiritual advance during affliction.

1. Pray for temporal preparedness, according to the times, that the people of God would endure affliction and deprivation with wisdom and grace, especially as we have recently been challenged here in our area, for a greater wisdom in preparing regarding our temporal well-being, in the Lord, and that we would never murmur at the Lord's providence. (Philippians 4.10-13)
2. Pray that in times of affliction, the people of god would comfort one another, and be of good service one to another. (2 Corinthians 1.3-11)
3. Pray for compassion and tender mercies one toward another, that when any are afflicted, that our hearts would also go out to one another, following the example of our heavenly Father toward us. (Isaiah 63.7-9)
4. Pray that Christians would not places themselves in positions where they will be afflicted unnecessarily or foolishly, but that when the Lord calls upon them to stand for the truth, and they are afflicted for it, that He would also grant fortitude to endure. (1 Peter 4.15; Isaiah 50.7)
5. Pray that the Lord would give not only comfort, but spiritual growth and greater devotion to Him in times of affliction and want. (Psalm 119.71)
6. Pray that in our affliction we would not resort to unrighteous means of removing discomfort, but that we would seek godly means of redress, and endurance, preferring the greatest affliction to the least sin. (Matthew 26.39)
7. Pray that, as our fathers in the faith before us, we would endure persecution, the Lord giving strength, and refuse apostasy and recantation of our faith in Christ, and that our suffering for his Name's sake would give glory to his name. (Hebrews 11.32-40)
8. Pray that the Lord would, in keeping with the imprecatory prayers of the Psalms, bring down the wicked that afflict and persecute His people, and that the Lord would accomplish His good will in their persecution. (Psalm 3.7-8)

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Closing prayer