

# 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, 08/04/2021

### Opening Prayer

**Psalm: 118.24-29; Page 262**

**First Exhortation: Believers Shining as Light in this World: Ephesians 5.1-20; Philippians 2.12-18**

**Pray God's People would Shine as Lights in this world, showing the difference between the holy and profane.**

1. Pray that the Church would not turn to the world for solutions to her difficulties, but would look to the Lord and His ways, rather than turning to the vain philosophies and judgments of the world. (1 Corinthians 6.1-8)
2. Pray that God's people would manifest their trust in the Lord, and His Word, by uncompromisingly following Him, even when it runs cross to society, popular politics, or any other thing. Pray for the teachers in the Church, that they may put the difference between the holy and profane, that the people of God may know how to shine as light in the midst of darkness. (Ezekiel 44.17-28)
3. Pray for steadfastness for the Church as she comes under greater scrutiny and potential difficulty, that she would stand on Scripture principle rather than pragmatism, that her commitments to the Lord would be settled in halcyon times, so that in difficult times her foundations will be established, and she, by God's grace, will endure. (Isaiah 8.12-22)
4. Pray for the people of God, that their witness to an unbelieving world would be light in darkness, love in hatred and violence, gentleness in the face of aggression, and wisdom in the face of folly, that we might be "blameless and harmless" wise and serpents, and harmless as doves—that thus would we hold forth the Word of life. (Phil. 2.14-16)
5. Pray that the Church would live by the principles of Scripture, making known the joy of living by God's commands, and with kindness speak to the misery that results in disobedience to God, even when such example brings her under the ire of the society. (1 John 3.11-13)
6. Pray especially for the Christian family, which is under attack and disapproval from the world, that the Lord would knit together mothers and fathers in sound marriages, to the glory of God, raising their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord, away from worldly influences and the spirit of the age, no matter the cost to them. (Ephes. 6.4-18)
7. Pray that we would have the discernment understand that which is common, and that which is holy, and that in our thoughts and affections we would choose those things which make for holiness, that we may set a good example, and walk in wisdom toward those that are without. (Deuteronomy 30.19-20)

**Psalm: 112.1-5; Page 251**

**Second Exhortation: Judgment Begins at the House of God: Ezekiel 9.1-11; 1 Peter 4.12-19**

**Pray for the Lord's Correction of His People with Grace and Mercy, that the Church might reform.**

1. Pray that the Lord would chastise His Church, in love, with those fatherly judgments, correcting her, and conforming her to His Word, and that the Church would not turn away from the judgments of the Lord. (Hebrews 12.4-17)
2. Pray that we would be a humble people, receiving the corrections of the Lord, and that we would behave ourselves not like the proud, who resist the judgments of the Lord. (Zephaniah 3.11-13)
3. Pray that the Church would be teachable, that in a day when the visible Church has gone so far afield from her Scriptural moorings, that we would hear the voice of the Lord, and return to that one sure foundation. (Ephesians 2.19-22)
4. Pray that the Lord would be pleased to expose our false hopes, other foundations, and those places where we have departed from sound doctrine, Biblical worship, Scriptural government, especially when we have thought His Word insufficient. Pray that our Church leaders would ground everything in the Church upon the sufficient Word of Christ, and that the people of God would follow that leadership. (Matthew 28.18-20; 2 Timothy 3.15-17)
5. Pray that the Lord would, in His kindness, restore a Biblical sense of Church discipline and order, that Church authority would be exercised always in support of the people of God as revealed in Scripture, and that every false way would be rooted out of the Church, and that under Christ she would recover this mark of the true Church, and the principles necessary for her advancement in the world. (1 Corinthians 5.1-13; 2 Corinthians 2.5-11)
6. Pray for God's people, that we would have proper priorities concerning the advancement of Christ's Kingdom in this world—that we would understand the Lord's way of reformation, that it begins ecclesiastically, and then moves on to the world, such that we would seek first the reformation of the Church. (1 Peter 4.12-19)
7. Pray for Zion, that God would cause her to shine as that great city set upon a hill, whose holiness and uprightness, obedience and reflected glory cannot be hidden, to the reformation of the whole world. (Isaiah 60.1-14)

**Psalm 65.1-8, Page 129**

**Closing prayer**