

# 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

## Opening Prayer

**Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 08/10/2022**

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**First Exhortation: Godly Leadership in the Church: 1 Timothy 3.1-16; 5.17-25**

**Pray for the leadership of the Church, for godliness, order, and discipline among officers.**

1. Pray that the Lord would furnish the Church with godly, faithful, and able men to serve as elders and deacons, and that existing Church leadership would seek only such men to serve in positions of authority. (Exodus 18.19-23)
2. Pray that the Church would follow the Head of the Church in her form of government, that independency and prelacy would be replaced with Presbyteries, Synods, and General Assemblies, that the proper function of the courts of the Church would be used as the proper means of order, discipline, and holiness. (Acts 15.6-30)
3. Pray that those Elders that rule well would be rightly esteemed, imitated, and followed (as they follow Christ) counted worthy of double honor, especially those that labor in word and doctrine. (1 Timothy 5.17)
4. Pray for the people of God, that they would desire godly, spiritual, courageous officers in the Church, that they would esteem them highly in love for their work's sake, and that in such Biblical relations the Lord would grant peace to His Church—peace in her doctrinal understanding, and in her practice. (1 Thessalonians 5.12)
5. Pray that the elders of the Church would be very circumspect concerning one another, keep a loving yet monitoring eye upon one another, providing mutual oversight, guidance, leadership, and care, that the ministry and leadership of the Church might be holy, and befitting of her Head. (Luke 12.41-48)
6. Pray that when an officer is found in sin, that those in authority over him would provide discipline, admonition, censure, deposition from office, excommunication (all if necessary) and that the Church would spare no measure in the discipline of her officers, promoting the honor of Christ, purity, and repentance (1 Corinthians 5.1; 1 Timothy 5.19-21)
7. Pray for wisdom for the leaders of the Church, that in days of denominationalism, and a subsequent dilution of the ministry and leadership of the Church, that the Lord would be pleased to heal the breaches in Zion through sound teaching of the truth, and that elders would not lay hands on a man before he is ready. (1 Timothy 5.22)
8. Pray for men who fear the Lord, and are fearless as to this world, and those in it, to serve as under-shepherds of Christ, and that the fearful would be told to remain outside the ministry and eldership. (Judges 7.1-3)

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**Second Exhortation: Bringing Every Thought Captive to the Obedience of Christ: 2 Cor. 10.1-6; Matt. 15.1-19**

**Pray for Godly mental Discipline for the People of God, and all the means thereto.**

1. Pray that the Church would hear Scripture, read Scripture, speak Scripture, sing Scripture, pray Scripture, and that such use of the Word of God would have the effect of capturing our thoughts for the obedience of Christ. (Col. 3.16-17)
2. Pray that God's people would turn off media, music, entertainment, placing such things in their proper use and diminished proportion, that their eyes would behold in a more godly and biblical proportion those things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, virtuous and praiseworthy, beholding that "better part." (Philippians 4.8-9)
3. Pray for a competent practice of meditation among the people of God—meditating upon the Word of God, and learning by that often-neglected ordinance, how to think rightly about current events in the Church and state, and how to present our minds to the Lord as offerings. (1 Timothy 4.15; Psalm 119.48; 143.5)
4. Pray that the Church familiarity with Scripture would inform all her ways, in judgment and discernment, direction for families and other social endeavors, and that the decisions and purposes set down by professing Christians would witness to that Scripture-saturation of their thoughts. (Psalm 119.99)
5. Pray that our minds being full of scripture, and of the Spirit of God, we would "approve the things that are excellent" that we would be "blameless and harmless, the sons of God in the midst of the crooked and perverse nation, among whom we shine as lights in the world." (Philippians 1.10; 2.15)
6. Pray that we would have the mind of Christ, in wisdom, morality, humility, service, sacrificial love, and in all other things, as we are able, and as His grace would allow. (Philippians 2.1-11)
7. Pray for that fear of the Lord, as the beginning of wisdom in our own thoughts—that we would fear and reverence the Lord, trust in what He has said, walk by faith and not sight, such that our affections, decisions, plans and purposes would not reek of the corruption of this fallen world and its vain philosophy, but of Christ and His heavenly doctrine—that our decisions would not be guided by the fear of men, but the fear of God. (Matthew 25.24-30)
8. Pray that we would be an encouragement and help one to another in the protecting of our thoughts from the world, and giving our minds to Christ, by speaking the truth in love one to another at all times. (Ephesians 4.11-16)

**Closing Psalm: 94.11-23, Page 207**

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