"Whatever you do,
work at it with all your heart,
as working for the Lord, not for human masters,
since you know that you will receive
an inheritance from the Lord as a reward.
It is the Lord Christ you are serving."
Colossians 3:23-24

Labor Day Honoring American Workers¹

Even on this Labor Day and the time that is set aside to honor the American worker, ironically so many Americans have to work and are not able to enjoy this extra day off.

American workers have been deeply attacked, disrespected, neglected by political overlords who have made trade treaties that have decimated whole industries, careers, dignity and families. So many are on an economic treadmill to just try and stay afloat.

Let us pray for God's turnaround, His justice, mercy and favor, that American workers shall be restored their fair recompense for their work, labors and gifts.

Prayers for the Beleaguered American Worker

Coming Before Lord God El Shaddai

Dear Heavenly Father, for the past several decades trade treaties, globalist policies and agendas, market manipulations, open borders etc. have attacked the American worker. The H-1B visa has been illegally applied and misused to import foreign workers who have taken jobs and wages

¹ This handout uses mostly the New Revised Standard (NRSVA) bible unless otherwise noted.

from American citizens who were fully willing and capable of performing those jobs. This has absolutely been intentional and is an incredible act of betrayal by American companies, their owners and stockholders.

This practice has decimated whole industries and driven wages and the standard of living down for most American workers. At this time when we "celebrate" the American worker through our Labor Day, most Americans are struggling to stay afloat, and many can't even take this holiday off. Inordinate numbers of people have poured across our borders, effectively stealing jobs, homes, resources from American workers, and again, driving down their wages and earning capacity.

We come before You Just Judge, to petition for justice, to reset this economic imbalance, to bring restoration and recompense to Americans of all backgrounds, demographics, vocations, that have experienced this theft of their livelihoods, theft of their jobs, wages, homes, dignity, hopes and dreams. Please receive our sincere prayer petitions on their behalf.

Restore Fairness & Dignity to Our Workers

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, just as You turned back the sundial to add and restore time to King Hezekiah, we ask You to reverse the course and curse on America's beleaguered workers and restore their finances and material comfort and security.
- ◆ For so Isaiah 38:7-8 reveals: "This is the sign to you from the Lord, that the Lord will do this thing that he has promised: 'See, I will make the shadow cast by the declining sun on the dial of Ahaz turn back ten steps.' So the sun turned back on the dial the ten steps by which it had declined."
- ◆ Lord God, this your Word gives us hope and encouragement that indeed "with God all things are possible," and You CAN work miracles to bring restoration. We ask You to restore to American workers what has been stolen by greedy overlords: their jobs, wages, pensions, homes, savings, financial security and dignity.

◆ We ask You to restore 7-fold all that has been stolen from them, according to Proverbs 6:31, that when the thief has been caught, he MUST repay 7-fold.

Return People to Their Homeland

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, You created different peoples with different cultures and traditions. We ask You therefore, to return, return, return the tens of millions of people in our country illegally or even illicitly through various visa abuses, to their own homelands. Let them prosper and give back to their own homeland. Let them apply their gifts and skills to building up their own homeland. Let them experience freedom, prosperity and happiness in their own homeland, as well as the freedom to live their faith in You and Christ Jesus Yeshua.
- ◆ We also petition that You will bring them to YOUR homeland, as Philippians 3:20-21² describes: "But our homeland is in heaven, and we are waiting for our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, to come from heaven. By his power to rule all things, he will change our humble bodies and make them like his own glorious body."

Restoration thru Reconciliation with You

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, I understand that prosperity disconnected from relationship with You is an empty prosperity. So we ask You to restore American workers' prosperity through reconciliation with You; that when they receive restoration it is on a foundation of a genuine loving relationship with You and Christ Jesus. THIS is how and why our nation experienced such historic growth and prosperity as a new nation. It was from your grace and goodness.
- ◆ Lord God, we repent for how our people lost sight of this, took prosperity for granted, took for granted the blessing of being able to get ahead by working hard. This is not true in most countries. People cannot rise up economically by working hard. THIS is why people flood into our country, that hope of a better life. Now most Americans just

² New Century Bible

work hard without the blessing of truly getting ahead and making a better life for their children. We repent for allowing materialism to cloud our thinking and souls, to get in the way of being in relationship with You and with Christ Jesus. God forgive us! We repent for taking your grace for granted as the basis of our ability to truly prosper.

Restoration by Your Mercy

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, as our people humble themselves, repent and seek your face, we pray and petition You for restoration.
- ◆ We petition You that Jeremiah 30:16-17 is the fulfilled promise of our restoration: "Therefore all who devour you shall be devoured, and all your foes, every one of them, shall go into captivity; those who plunder you shall be plundered, and all who prey on you I will make a prey. For I will restore health to you, and your wounds I will heal, says the Lord."
- ◆ We understand that true restoration by your mercy shall be on a foundation of Jeremiah 30:22 that "You shall be my people, and I will be your God." Lord God, there IS a revival happening in America, college students being baptized, the Holy Spirit moving across our lands. We pray that the restoration of our country and America's workers shall be on the foundation of this revival and restoration of relationship with You.

Restore Our Soul

- ✦ Heavenly Father Abba, we understand that all external breaches breaches to our sovereignty as a nation, breaches to our economy, breaches to our workers, first begin as breaches to our own soul, breaches in our relationship with You as one nation under God.
- ◆ We petition and declare Psalm 23 that You, the Lord are our shepherd and therefore we shall not want. You shall lead us in paths of righteousness, as the foundation of right living, righteous vocations, and noble service; and we shall heed and follow. Guide our people to only right and righteous living and livelihoods that honor and glorify your statutes; which were given to mold our hearts to Your heart. In so doing, restore our souls to You. Restore and heal the soul of America.

The New America

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, as America prepares to die to its old self and rise from the ashes as a New America, truly One Nation Under God, we petition You to circumcise our hearts, circumcise and make clean the hearts of America's workers, that their work will be a service of glad and joyful service to You and to their fellow countrymen.
- ◆ We petition You according to Isaiah 61:3-4, "to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. (That) they will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display Your glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations," will be restored!
- ◆ Lord God El Shaddai, re-build and restore America's workers from the inside out, that they will be happy workers in the restoration of America, a New America, clean and holy, safe and healthy for all Americans. An America that has us united with one another, overcoming the enemy's agendas to divide and conquer us. We rebuke, bind and cast out of America this evil agenda and all its accompanying spirits! Bless the New America Heavenly Father! Bless us!

Bless Our Latter Days

- ◆ Dear Heavenly Father, so many Americans are in their latter days, yet have little to show for it, on account of the machinations of the globalist agendas. We humbly ask You to restore and bless these Americans, bless their latter days, as You did with Job in Job 42:10 &12, "The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning."
- ◆ We know from your Word that restoration is one of your graces, as 2 Kings 8:6 reveals: "Restore all that was hers, together with all the revenue of the fields from the day that she left the land until now." So we petition You, Heavenly Father El Shaddai, for your grace and mercy restoration especially for those in their latter days.

3. Thanks and Gratitude.

- ◆ Thank you Heavenly Father for receiving our petitions to heal and restore America's beleaguered workers and our whole economic system and landscape.
- ◆ Thank you Father God for leading them into deeper union with You as part of this restoration and healing.
- ◆ To You alone be all the glory in Heaven and Earth forever and ever! Amen!

Sealing Prayers:

We therefore humble ourselves under the mighty hand of God [set aside self-righteous pride], so that He may exalt us [to a place of honor in His service] at the appropriate time, casting all our cares [all our anxieties, worries, and concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares about us [with deepest affection, and watches over us very carefully]. After we have suffered for a little while. the God of all grace [who imparts His blessing and favor], who called us to His own eternal glory in Christ, will Himself complete, confirm, strengthen, and establish us [making us what you ought to be]. To Him be dominion (power, authority, sovereignty) forever and ever. Amen. 1 Peter 5:6-7 & 10-11 AMP