HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE GOD

"*If My people who are called by My name*
humble themselves,
and pray and seek My face,
and turn from their wicked ways,
then I will hear from heaven,
and I will forgive their sin
and will heal their land."
2 Chronicles 7:14

Humility

America is being brought to her knees. God's people are being brought to their knees. It is a great humbling. It is a great awakening in a very sobering way. God hates the proud but gives grace the humble. It is time to press in for the virtue of humility and pray for true humility in our civic and religious leaders.

Let Us Pray Together…

Dear Heavenly Father, we come before You as Your Intercessors, standing in the gap for our country America, contending for true humility to come to the "House of the Lord", the Ekklesia — both the clergy and the laity/congregations. Father God, we repent for the rampant egos, the arrogance, the braggadocio, the spiritual sloppiness that has led to such defeats in this past weeks elections.

Even if there was — and all indications demonstrate there surely was — rampant fraud and theft of many key elections, it is nonetheless evident that our nation is profoundly torn at the seams between two diametrically opposed views. These are not on political party lines,

but on moral lines that are either aligned or not aligned with Your moral law. God help us.

We come firstly, to re-commit ourselves to cultivating genuine humility. Even as You take us each through our own trials and tribulations, You provide us a way to deeper humility. A humility that comes with an operating system of continual surrender to Your Will.

Father God, we repent for our willfulness with viewpoints and stances. We repent for all the times and ways we believed our ways and our denomination was superior to others and acted accordingly. We repent for looking for credit or attaboys when we did something, rather than quietly fulfilling Your Will and moving forward.

Lord God, we lift up to You our leaders, including President Trump, and as You to convict, convict, convict them of the absolute necessity of being humble. To not brag or seek credit and pats on the back for accomplishments. To point out how right they were and how wrong others are.

Indeed Father God, professional exorcists have consistently reported that satan cannot go up against someone who is radically humble. As Jesus described in John 14:30: "I will not speak with you much longer, for the ruler of the world (satan) is coming. And he has no claim on Me [no power over Me nor anything that he can use against Me]." Help us as Your Intercessors, to be so clean and white as snow that satan has nothing he can use against us.

Father God, make clean and white as snow our civic and spiritual leaders. Bring them all to radical humility now. We understand that

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the cleansing and purification and sanctification of America can only come with the virtue of humility truly embedded not only in our leaders but in our actual culture itself.

Clothe Us In Humility

- Dear Heavenly Father, as 1 Peter 5:5 exhorts us: "*Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for 'God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble*.'"
- Father God, help us privately, individually, to be truly '*clothed in humility*'. Remove the soiled rags of egoism from us. Remove the soiled rags of pridefulness and arrogance from our leaders, all of them; but especially in our pulpits. For "*Judgement comes first in the house of the Lord*."
- Lord God, we lay at the foot of the Cross the dirty rags of our own egos. All personal insistences, needs to be right, offenses, grudges, annoyances. None of them are worth it. They are the bones of the dog of our own ego, and we release them to the foot of the Cross now.
- Lord God, we ask You to visit our leaders, our President and others, be it in their sleep, dreams or waking state, and convict them to release their own negative ego constructs and bad habits, the fragility of ego that needs attention, credit, to be proven right and best and superior.

Release Vainglory

- Dear Father God, vainglory — the need to receive accolades and credit, is such an ego trap. I release any vainglory in myself to the foot of the Cross and repent for all the times and ways I have held, indulged in, and expressed vainglory.
- Lord God, Your Word in Psalm 138:6 admonishes: "*For though the LORD is high, He regards the lowly, but the haughty He knows from afar*." Telling us that You keep far from You braggarts. Lord God, we know our President works so hard and tireless, but truly, if there is

defiance and bragging, it drains the honor out of the service and removes the blessings from its fruits. Please teach this to our President and his staff, we pray in Jesus' name.

- Father God, we commit ourselves to and also pray over our leaders Philippians 2:3, "*Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit [through factional motives, or strife], but with [an attitude of] humility [being neither arrogant nor self-righteous], regard others as more important than yourselves.*"
- As Your Intercessors, we are called to a high standard of spiritual virtue, which should be truly impeccable. We re-commit to Philippians 2:4, to *not merely look out for our own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. And commit to having this same attitude in ourselves which was in Christ Jesus [look to Him as our example in selfless humility]*.
- I repent for all the times and ways I have let my ego run away with me, thereby allowing satan to have his entry way into my life. Lord God, I repent for the hubris in our culture, all the ways our own clergy have gotten full of themselves and taken the fruits of status, prosperity and adulation and not given it all back to Christ Jesus, the true source and cause of their station in life.
- Father God, I commit to embodying Christ Jesus as described in Philippians 2:5-8, and pray this over our leaders now as well: "*In our relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to His own advantage; rather, He made Himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross*!"
- Help me Lord God Adonai, to be obedient unto death, to die daily to myself, to die daily to all the emanations of my own ego: stances, indignations, offenses, disagreements, anger, annoyance, need to feel or be proven superior or right.

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Turn From Wicked Ways

- Lord God, please reveal to us the wickedness in our own lives, hearts and ways, to turn away from. Convict our leaders of their own inner wickedness, as the most subtle forms can be not overt but covert and very personal and private.
- We pray to You to remove from our President weak and disordered spiritual advisors and replace them with all and only truly strong, righteous, holy men of God, to set him on a higher plane spiritually and morally, to guard and guide his tongue to only express what You want him to express, how, where and when You want him to express.
- We ask for Your mercy, Lord God Adonai, to heal our lands as we go through this purification. Fill us with Your strength and holiness, Your peace and Your love. Amen and Amen.

SEALING PRAYER

Do Everything Without Grumbling

"*Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed*
—not only in my presence,
but now much more in my absence—
continue to work out your salvation
with fear and trembling,
for it is God who works in you to will
and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.
Do everything without grumbling or arguing,
so that you may become blameless and pure,
'children of God without fault
in a warped and crooked generation.'
Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky

as you hold firmly to the word of life.
And then I will be able to boast on the day of Christ
that I did not run or labor in vain.
But even if I am being poured out
like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service
coming from your faith,
I am glad and rejoice with all of you.
So you too should be glad and rejoice with me."
Philippians 2:12-18

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