



Amplified translation renders it this way:

1 Timothy 2:2

For kings and all who are in positions of authority or high responsibility, that outwardly we may pass a quiet and undisturbed life and inwardly a peaceable one in all godliness and reverence and seriousness in every way.

Undisturbed life. godliness and reverence.

This prayer request seems to be for the benefit of believers as non-believers can’t exhibit the above traits except saved.
However, context will help us.

1 Timothy 2:3-4 (KJV)

For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior.
4 Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

The prayers for those in government is for salvation. Not good economic policies etc.

Gods will for all men is clearly spelt out

2 Peter 3:9 (KJV)

The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

This includes our leaders in our nation.

Are we to ask for wisdom for them?

There is NO New Testament scripture for this. However, it won’t be out of place to ask for wisdom on behalf of another but realize there is no express instruction nor admonition in the New Testament to do so.

Our prayers for our leaders are seen in the results of their response to the gospel of Christ not great economic or social changes.

Let’s see such results

John 19:38-39 (KJV)

And after this Joseph of Arimathea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore and took the body of Jesus.
39 And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of

myrrh and aloes, about an hundred-pound weight.

Two different rulers who were disciples of Jesus.

Acts 10:1,45 (KJV)

There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band,
45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Cornelius was a military leader, a man in authority, he receives the gospel and his household

Acts 13:7,12 (KJV)

Which was with the deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man, who called for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word of God.
12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

Another ruler believed the gospel.

Acts 18:8 (KJV)

And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.

Another ruler here believe the gospel with all his house, this led many Corinthians to also believe

Acts 28:7 (KJV)

In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius, who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.

Yet another man / person in authority.

The primary reason we are to pray for those in authority is for their salvation, as this occurs, we see such results in our lives.

1 Timothy 2:2 (KJV)

.... that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

There are many godless nations with godless leaders with good economies, security however the citizens aren’t leading this life of godliness.
Is it out of place to pray for the economic and social wellbeing of your nation? NO.
However, the primary reason for praying for others should either be for salvation or spiritual growth or

ministry, and in the case of our leaders, who are unsaved, for their salvation.

God wants our leaders saved from sin.
We should want it too.
Ready?

List out 10 leaders in your nation, state etc., start to pray for them and those who are saved pray that they come into the knowledge of the truth.

Don’t forget to pray in the spirit (**1 Corinthians 14:14-15, Jude 20**)
Let us pray!
Jesus is Lord, We Win!

Have you been blessed by this?
Would you like to ask questions?
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PAULINE
PRAYERS
(PART TWO)



3. SCRIPTURES TEACH US TO PRAY FOR ALL BELIEVERS

Ephesians 6:18 (KJV)

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints.



Such category of believers are our ministers, our pastors. One of our duties is to minister to our leaders We must follow the leading of the spirit to do this not our emotions. Following the scriptures is to be led by the Spirit. The minister of the gospel is either a preacher or teacher of the word or both.

So first and foremost, I pray for him to be effective in these:

1. Firstly I pray for utterance

Ephesians 6:19 (KJV)

And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,

Colossians 4:3 (KJV)

Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds:

Utterance means ability to speak effectively.

2. Secondly, we pray for the boldness of our ministers Ministers are human and could be vulnerable to fear

Acts 23:11 (KJV)

And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.

2 Corinthians 1:8 (KJV)

For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life:

2 Timothy 1:7-8 (KJV)

For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

So, we pray for boldness to declare God’s counsel.

Ephesians 6:20 (KJV)

For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

Acts 4:29 (KJV)

And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word,

Philippians 1:20 (KJV)

According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death.

3. Furthermore we pray that their ministry be received without hinderance and more importantly that they be so delivered from the evil plans of men to fulfill their ministry

Romans 15:30-31 (KJV)

Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me;

31 That I may be delivered from them that do not believe in Judaea; and that my service which I have for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints;

2 Thessalonians 3:1-2 (KJV)

Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you:

2 And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith.

Philippians 1:19 (KJV)

For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

Salvation here refers to deliverance. Deliverance from evil. Evil machinations of opponents of the gospel

2 Timothy 4:17-18 (KJV)

Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.

18 And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Ministers face much evil especially those in very violent territories.

We can’t stop persecution

2 Timothy 3:12 (KJV)

Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

Philippians 1:29 (KJV)

For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake;

Acts 4:29 (KJV)

And now, Lord, behold their threatenings... Behold not stop their threatens. but rather pray to preserve the life of the persecuted from evil.

4. Also we pray for signs and wonders be done through his ministry

Romans 15:19 (KJV)

Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

Acts 4:30 (KJV)

By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

5. We pray for the health of our ministers too

2 Timothy 4:20 (KJV)

Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick.

Trophimus is a minister.

Philippians 2:25-26 (KJV)

Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and fellow-soldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants.

26 For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that he had been sick.

Hence, we pray for their health

6. We also pray for our minister’s conscience and conduct be pleasing to God

Hebrews 13:18 (KJV)

Pray for us: for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly.

This is for them to maintain their integrity in service

2 Corinthians 4:2 (KJV)

But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty,

not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man’s conscience in the sight of God.

It’s very important we understand that ministers Face serious opposition in many areas of ministry

1 Corinthians 16:9 (KJV)

For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries.

Adversaries mean(s)opponents. Ready?

Write down 10 names of ministers, pastors u know (including popular and less popular ones), who have been a blessing to u..

Remember to pray out in the spirit (Ephesians 6:18, Jude 20,1 Corinthians 14:14-15)

Let us pray!

4. 1 Thessalonians 5:17 (KJV)

Pray without ceasing.

Scriptures teach to have a ceaseless attitude to prayer. We have since seen how to pray for the unsaved, fellow believers and our ministers. Scriptures teach us also to pray for those in authority.

1 Timothy 2:1-2 (KJV)

I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men.

2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.

Kings- refer to presidents, governors. All that are in authority refers to anyone else occupying leadership roles in the society.

This appears the ONLY New Testament scripture for praying for our nation even though it’s not expressly stated as it addresses personalities particularly.

Why are we to pray for them?

That we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.