



# Taking Worship Into Your Week

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The election is looming. What a relief that in the midst of the arguing, accusations, slander and stress, we Christians have “the best of both worlds.” We are citizens of America, and are free to vote; we are citizens of heaven, and are freed to pray. This is the opportunity of a lifetime: to show by our prayer, our words, our actions what kind of hope we have in Christ; to influence everyone who is succumbing to the hatred, division and discord inspired by our enemy, Satan, with the kind of peace that this world cannot give. Join us this Sunday – or any time you desire, on YouTube – as we thank God for our freedom to vote, and the beautiful truth that we are freed to pray for our country.

1. Paul urges Timothy – and us – to make

- petitions
- prayers
- intercession
- thanksgiving

for all people, especially those in authority. Using your concordance, find occasions in the New Testament using these words as your search guide and ask, as you look at those passages, ‘in what way are these four actions of prayer different and unique?’ Share your answers.

2. Looking at vs. 2, describe what “godliness” and “holiness” looks like as a disciple is manifesting them, and ask, in what ways do those qualities bring about the “peace” and “quiet” of which Paul speaks?



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3. There are two candidates for president. Imagine candidate A wins the election; what would you then be praying about. Now imagine candidate B is selected; about what would you then be praying? Use your concordance to find three examples in the New Testament about what you can be praying for, regardless of the outcome of the election.
  
4. Is there a “Christian” candidate? Why or why not? Is there a “Christian” way to vote? Reading 1 Timothy 2:1-8, describe it here:
  
5. Think about your prayer life as it is right now, not as it “ought” to be, and decide to take one step toward improving your prayer life which you can begin immediately.