

## Litany for Election Night

O Lord, **Have mercy upon us.**

O Christ, **Have mercy upon us.**

O Lord, **Have mercy upon us.**

O Christ, **Hear us.**

O God the Father in heaven, **Have mercy upon us.**

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, **Have mercy upon us.**

O God the Holy Ghost, **Have mercy upon us.**

Be gracious unto us. **Spare us, good Lord.**

Be gracious unto us. **Help us, good Lord.**

From all sin;

From all error;

From all evil:

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From the crafts and assaults of the devil;

From sudden and evil death;

From pestilence and famine;

From war and bloodshed;

From sedition and rebellion;

From lightning and tempest;

From all calamity by fire and water;

And from everlasting death;

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By the mystery of Thy holy Incarnation;

By Thy holy Nativity;

By Thy baptism, fasting, and temptation;

By Thine agony and bloody sweat;

By Thy cross and Passion;

By Thy precious death and burial;

By Thy glorious resurrection and ascension;

And by the coming of the Holy Ghost, the Comforter:

**Help us, good Lord.**

In all time of our tribulation;

In all time of our prosperity;

In the hour of death;

And in the day of Judgment:

**Help us, good Lord.**

We poor sinners do beseech Thee

**To hear us, O Lord God,**

And to rule and govern Thy holy Christian Church;

To bring into the way of truth all such as have erred and are deceived;

To beat down Satan under our feet;

To accompany Thy Word with Thy Spirit and grace;

To raise up them that fall and to strengthen such as do stand;

And to comfort and help the weak-hearted and the distressed:

**We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.**

To give our nation, states, and municipalities fair and honest elections;

To bless all those who are serving in this election;

To give integrity to those who count;

To grant diligence to those who watch;

To give wisdom and lawfulness to all judges;

To grant to us good and faithful rulers:

**We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.**

To give to all who lose elections peaceful resignation;

To give to all who win humility and wisdom to govern after Your good pleasure;

To preserve the rule of law and respect for the constitution of our country;

To grant a peaceful transition of authority;

And to give repentance and faith in Christ to all who are elected:

**We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.**

To give all nations peace and concord;

To preserve our country from discord and contention;

To give to our nation perpetual victory over all its enemies;

To direct and defend our President, Congress, governors, all state and local officials, judges, and all in authority;

And to bless and keep our magistrates and all our people:

**We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.**

To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts;

To give and preserve to our use the fruits of the earth;

And graciously to hear our prayers:

**We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

**We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.**

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world,

**Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world,

**Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world,

**Grant us Thy peace.**

O Christ, **Hear us.**

O Lord, **Have mercy upon us.**

O Christ, **Have mercy upon us.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**Amen.**

## A Prayer Before and After Casting a Vote

*And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him.  
(Colossians 3:17)*

### A Prayer Before Voting

*In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

Heavenly Father, You have chosen me in Christ before the foundation of the world, that I should be holy and without blame before Christ (EPH 1:4). Thank You for the opportunity to love and serve You and my neighbor with this vote. Give me wisdom and courage that this vote be toward the protection of life and peace, the upholding of law and order, and rewarding righteousness and prevention of wickedness. May Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

### A Prayer After Voting

O Lord, the vote is cast. Out of Your divine, Fatherly goodness and mercy, deal with us not according to our sins, but in Your mercy give us faithful rulers, wise judges, and good laws. Keep us through the troubles of this life until we attain to the eternal joys of the life to come, for Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## Prayers for the Home for the Night Before Elections

*First of all, then, I exhort that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. (1 Timothy 2:1-4)*

### Thanksgiving for Our Nation

Heavenly Father, from one blood You have made all nations to dwell on the face of the earth, and You have determined the times and boundaries appointed for their habitation (ACTS 17:26-27). We thank You for our nation and its ordered liberty, for the protections of religious liberty, for our freedom to assemble and confess Your name and truth and receive Your gifts. Bless our nation and people in this election, that Your will be done. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### Thanksgiving for the Vote

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the opportunity given to our citizens to elect public servants and officials to cast our votes. We know that You ordain all authorities, and there are no authorities in this world but by Your will (ROM 13:1-2). Use our elections and conversations to give us rulers according to Your good and gracious will. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### Prayer for All Voters, especially Christian Voters

Heavenly Father, we pray for all voters, and especially for our brothers and sisters in Christ, that You would give us the wisdom that comes down from above (JAMES 1:5, 3:17-18), that we would cast our votes for the protection of our neighbor and the upholding of our land. To that end, we pray that You would use our votes to uphold Your commands and protect Your gifts. Protect life, especially the lives of the children in the womb, the lives of the elderly and vulnerable. Protect marriage and the family, Your gift of husband and wife. Protect our homes and neighborhoods from theft, danger, and violence and our nation from war. Use even our votes toward the punishment of wickedness and reward righteousness, that Your people might live a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty (1 TIM 2:2). Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### Prayer for States Considering Pro-Abortion Constitutional Amendments

O Lord, grant Your protection to all unborn children, and especially we pray that You would overthrow the plans to add pro-abortion laws to the constitutions of Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Maryland, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New York, and South Dakota. Grant repentance to all those bent on this evil. Give all mothers with children increasing joy in this Your blessing, and give to all children protection and care. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### Prayer for an Honest Election

O Lord, give us a fair, honest, and trustworthy election. Stop all attempts to corrupt, undermine, or manipulate this election. Give integrity to all poll workers, diligence to all poll observers, honesty to all election officials, and wisdom to all judges, so that we would not be afflicted with an uncertain election. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### Prayer for a Peaceful Transition of Authority

O Lord, grant to our nation, our states, and all our communities, a peaceful transition of authority. Grant selflessness to all who lose an election, and humility to all who win. We thank You for the faithful service rendered by those who will leave office, and pray that You would continue to guard and govern us through those who now take office. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

### Prayer for a Right View of Government and Rulers

Lord Jesus Christ, Your kingdom is not of this world (JOHN 18:36), and You command us to trust **not** in princes (PS 146:3). Keep us always mindful that our citizenship is in heaven, and we to heaven for You, our Savior (PHIL 3:20). Keep us from being conformed to the ways of this world (ROM 12:1-2) so that we look to You for all good, and find refuge in Your protection. Strengthen our faith in Your promise of the new heaven and earth, where the righteous dwell (2 PET 3:13), so that our hope, being set in You, would set us free to truly love, serve, bless, care for, and have compassion on our neighbors. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**