

How to Pray for Pastors



“And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding” (Jeremiah 3:15).

“For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts” (Malachi 2:7).

“And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it” (Matthew 16:18).

“And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power” (I Corinthians 2:4).

“Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine” (II Timothy 4:2).

Pastors are shepherds chosen by God to help guide His flock, and faithful, focused intercession is essential to support these courageous leaders who watch over our souls. They have tremendous responsibilities and face many challenges as they endeavor to fulfill the call, purpose, and biblical mandate of God. It is vital that we render consistent prayer for our pastors so that they may be strong to prevail at the forefront of battle and to further advance the kingdom of God (I Timothy 2:1-3).

Prayer Points:

- Jesus, a church often cannot rise above the level of consecration of its pastoral leadership. So I pray that You will always give them fresh and pure Apostolic messages (Psalm 92:10).
- Savior, I pray that pastors would spend quality time seeking You wholeheartedly in prayer and consecration, and in building a stronger relationship with You (Psalm 119:2).
- God, I intercede that You impart Your divine knowledge, understanding, wisdom, counsel, direction, anointing, keen discernment, and divine ability to every pastor (Isaiah 11:2-3).
- Lord, I pray that You would bring healing to our pastors' hearts for any hurts caused in ministry. Anoint them with the oil of gladness and remove any discouragement (Isaiah 61:3).
- Master, I ask that Your divine favor be upon every pastor and that they increase in wisdom and stature as a respected leader in the church, the community, and abroad (Luke 2:52).
- Lord, I pray that pastors successfully fulfill the purpose and will of God in life (Acts 13:22).
- God, I petition that no weapon formed against pastors, their families, and their churches would prosper. Let them all be more than conquerors through You (Romans 8:31-39).
- Jesus, I pray that You raise up faithful intercessors in each local assembly to pray for their pastor and their family, and the church, and that there is great victory (I Corinthians 15:57).

- God, I implore You that every pastor would put on the whole armor of God, and that You would protect them and their families, even in their going in and their coming out (Ephesians 6:10-19).
- Jesus, I pray for the overall well-being of pastors. Lord, meet all of their existing needs, and grant provisions and finances as according to Your divine will (Philippians 4:19).
- Lord, I pray for a spirit of godliness upon all pastors and that the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life would have no impact upon them (I Thessalonians 5:23).
- Father, I ask that You send heavenly angels to minister to every pastor, because they minister “for ... the heirs of salvation” and to things pertaining to Your kingdom (Hebrews 1:13-14).
- God, I pray for peace, and that saints submit to You and to spiritual authority (Hebrews 13:17).
- Jesus, I pray for prosperity, renewed strength, and health—physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually, etc., for our pastors. I pray overall for their whole spirit, soul, and body (III John 2).