

Prayer For
Social Healing
Sermon 2 of 4 On Prayer
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Backstory

- While in Pittsburgh caring for my mother
- Thinking about politics in general
- People gave testimony at a church
- You want testimony? I have testimony alright!
- Too bad they only wanted comfortable complacent testimony about being saved
- My (condensed) prayer follows
- Warning: Old Testament fire included

Prayer Part 1

- We stand in this pulpit to give our testimony of faith in Jesus the Christ. I stand before you in the name of God so you bring your faith to action. Christians with faith but no works of love are like empty wine skins drifting in the desert winds. I implore you to pour the vitality of divine life into your vessel. Feed the fire of divine purpose and help me shine the light of Truth on our troubled world. With God's healing word as our guide, with love in our hearts, we can change this world. We must!

Prayer Part 2

- For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies but against evil rulers of the unseen world.
- Yea, though I tread the halls of greed, though I speak truth in the den of corruption, I fear not – for I am clothed with God's eternal light.
- Princes use oppression, commit robbery, and mistreat the poor and needy; and they wrongfully oppress the stranger. You have forgotten Me, says the Lord God.

Prayer Part 3

- Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth. For we are called to create God's paradise on Earth. All of us.
- We are called to feed the hungry. Strangers are to be welcomed. Lonely prisoners should be consoled. For whatever we do to the least of us, that we do unto Jesus.
- Arise oh my people, arise! Seek truth and goodness for the law of God is above the law of men.

Prayer Part 4

- The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, and open prisons to those who are bound. For I the Lord love justice and will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all nations.
- We are all called to be appointed by God – if we only have the courage.

Prayer Part 5

- This is my bible-based testimony. Come join me and help heal our troubled world.
- In this we pray through the glory of God, amen.

