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“Deliver Us from Enemies: Fight Fire with Prayer”

Scripture Verse:

“And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. Melchizedek blessed Abram and said,
 ‘Blessed be Abram by God Most High,
 maker of heaven and earth;
 and blessed be God Most High,
 who has delivered your enemies into your hand!’
And Abram gave him one tenth of everything” (Genesis 14:18-20).

A church in Georgia published a rather long prayer list. They thought it would be helpful to identify the reason for each one being on the list. In this way people could pray for specific needs and problems, rather than praying in vague generalities. There were all the usual things: hospitalized, bereaved, and those facing surgery.

But beside the name of one individual on the list was written “pain in the neck.” Most churches have a member or two who deserves that description, but few put it in print! And it does seem sometimes that only prayer can cure that affliction. Prayer is a powerful spiritual weapon against the forces of evil. Pray today for Salado, for our church, and for our nation. Prayer is our best and brightest hope.

Action focus: Pray for both your friends and your enemies if you want to be more Christ-like!

**Come, Worship
Stay, Learn
God, Serve**