

Pray for Our Country Like George Washington

- 1. Washington prayed for God to protect our nation.
- 2. Washington prayed for God to incline the hearts of our Citizens to honor the government.
- 3. Washington prayed we would love our fellow citizens.
- 4. Washington prayed that God would dispose us to do justice.
- 5. Washington prayed that God would dispose us to love mercy.

- Micah 6:8 He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.
- Washington prayed that we would demean ourselves with Christ likeness.
- 7. Washington prayed that we would be a happy nation.

George Washington's prayer for our nation:

I now make it my earnest prayer, that God would have the United States in his holy protection, that he would incline the hearts of the Citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to Government, to entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another, for their fellow citizens of the United States at large, and particularly for their brethren who have served in the Field, and finally, that he would most graciously be pleased to dispose us all, to do Justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that Charity, humility and pacific temper of mind, which were the Characteristicks

of the Devine Author of our blessed Religion, and without an humble imitation of whose example in these things, we can never hope to be a happy Nation. Amen

Prayer adapted from Washington's <u>Circular Letter to the States</u>, which he wrote on June 8, 1783 as the commander in chief, at his headquarters in Newburgh, New York. This circular was directed to the governors and states of the new nation. His reference to them has been replaced by the words "the United States." Otherwise, the words and the spellings are those of General George Washington of the Continental Army.

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