

CrossRoads Covenant Church

Week of Prayer - Monday

Opening Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, as we gather in Your presence today, we come humbly before You, seeking Your divine wisdom and guidance. We lift up the men in our church who shoulder the responsibility of leading their families and shepherding Your flock in the church. May this time of prayer be a sacred moment where we surrender our hearts and minds to Your will, trusting in Your infinite wisdom to illuminate our paths.

Scripture

"In every place of worship, I want men to pray with holy hands lifted up to God, free from anger and controversy." - 1 Timothy 2:8 (NLT)

Reflection

Paul wanted all Christians to offer up prayers for a spiritual awakening among the people and their rulers. However, in the public assembly Paul specified that men everywhere are to lead the congregation in prayer. Moreover, these prayers were to be offered with lifted hands to God, not fists balled up in aggression to one another. The hands were to be holy, signifying an internal cleanliness on the part of these spiritual leaders in the congregation and their families. Further, they must be men of sound relationships, not characterized by anger or disputes.

How do you pray for Men? What do you ask God to do in their lives?

1. Ask God to give them a Heart of Humility so that they may recognize the importance of seeking God's guidance in all aspects of their lives. Pray that God will help them to set aside pride and ego, allowing His wisdom to flow through them.

2. Ask God to Grant them Discernment as they navigate the complexities of leading their families and serve their church. Pray that they are able to distinguish between what is of God and what is not and make decisions that align with His will and purposes.
3. Ask God to Strengthen their Faith in moments of doubt or uncertainty, that they may lean on the foundation of their faith, trusting that You are in control. Pray that they will have courage to follow God faithfully, even when the path seems unclear.
4. Ask God to Cultivate a Heart of Love so that they are patient, kind, and compassionate, reflecting God's love in their interactions with others. Pray that will be marked by a genuine care for the well-being of others.

Personal Prayer

Community Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we conclude this time of prayer, we entrust the men of CrossRoads, the Men of Valor, to Your care. May the wisdom they seek be found in the depths of their connection with You. May their leadership in their homes and in the church reflect Your divine guidance, bringing glory to Your name. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.