<u>Prayer Topic #5</u>: A City of Houston Election Day Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 86:5-13, Romans 13:1-7

<u>Note</u>: Please pray in your prayer language (pray in tongues) for today's prayer topic. If you do not pray in tongues, then pray the following prayer out loud.

Scriptural Prayer:

Blessed Father, we thank You for the City of Houston. Thank You for the privilege of our democratic form of government. Thank You for leading and guiding us as we elect our local leaders. Lord, Your instructions are perfect, reviving our souls. Your decrees are trustworthy, making wise the simple. Your commandments are right, bringing joy to our hearts. Your commands are clear and they give us insight for living. We praise You for Your great wisdom. You deserve all glory, honor, and praise forever!

Everlasting Father, Your Word says that when the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when a wicked man rules, the people groan. Therefore, as we vote in the election on today, we are trusting You to lead us in making these critical decisions. As we consider our voting options, we will not depend on our own understanding. We are seeking Your will, our Lord, and we believe that You will show us which path to take. Today, we will not be distracted by rhetoric, popular opinion, or sound bites. Using the authority given to us, we call forth Your Kingdom to come and Your divine will be done in the elections today. We confess that the hearts of Houston voters will be guided by the power of the Holy Spirit, as they vote today. We command peace, be still at every voting poll in our city. We decree that today's elections will be conducted in fairness and integrity. In Jesus' Name, we crush the demonic devices that would stir up strife, confusion, cynicism, and hopelessness among voters. We command the airwaves to bow to the voice of God. We decree that every attempt to misconstrue the Truth will be confused, in Jesus' Name. We command the weather to be peaceful today, with a perfect balance of sunshine and moderate temperatures.

Holy Spirit, all of us have a preference, however, we ask You to establish Your plans in our city for our Mayor, City Council and Controller. Expose all lies and deceptive tactics. Position Your angels to watch and guard each polling place. Help all of us to take our responsibility to vote seriously. Remind us all to conduct ourselves with grace and dignity at the polls so that we do not wrongly influence anyone or chide anyone based on perception. May we be models of excellent citizenship at all times. For those citizens who are conflicted in their hearts about whether or not they should vote at all, clarify for them the purpose of their vote and lead them to the polls to vote.

Holy Spirit, today I will vote for the following candidates. Please let me know if my will aligns with Yours:

Wonderful Father, forgive us for not trusting You to lead our city. Forgive those leaders who have plotted to derail the democratic process for personal gain. Forgive those who continually abuse their power and influence. Forgive those citizens who refuse to exercise their right to vote. Lord, forgive me for (*list any sins that you have committed*). Holy Spirit, remind us all those we need to forgive and help us to be quick to forgive. As for me, Holy Spirit, bring to my remembrance those I need to forgive. (*Take a moment and ask the Holy Spirit to show you names or faces of people that you may need to forgive. As He shows you, say aloud, "I forgive <u>name of person(s)</u>." Now, trust the Lord to heal any wounds in your soul caused by unforgiveness.)*

Holy Spirit, help us all to not yield to temptation; but deliver us from the evil one.

Glorious Lord, the earth is Yours and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to You. Open up, ancient gates! Open up, ancient doors, and let the King of Glory enter. Who is the King of glory? The Lord of Heaven's Armies – He is the King of glory. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture References for the Written Text: Psalm 19:7-8, Proverbs 29:2 NKJV, Proverbs 3:6-7, Matthew 6:10, John 14:26, Matthew 6:13, Psalm 24:1, 9-10

Today I will trust God to: