

Prayer Topic #2: revised

A Prayer Regarding the United States Job Market

Scripture Reading:

Psalm 111:1-8, Psalm 112

Reflections of the Heart:

As citizens, let us make it our goal to live quiet lives, mind our own business, and work with our own hands.

1 Thessalonians 4:11

Scriptural Prayer:

Excellent Father, we offer You our thanksgiving for being our Great Provider. Thank You for seeing to it that all our needs as met. You are a wonderful, Father. Thank You for giving us hope even in the bleakest of circumstances. Lord, the light of Your love is available to all in the United States who are seeking employment. Thank You for revealing Yourself through the recent decrease in the number of Americans applying for unemployment benefits. By Your mercy and grace, we can rejoice that there is finally some evidence that layoffs are easing and that hiring is on the rise. Hallel YAH! We give You the glory that You deserve. We come bringing our offerings into Your presence; worshiping You in all Your holy splendor. Let all the earth tremble before You. The world stands firm and cannot be shaken.

Worthy Father, we declare freedom to the United States job market. We will remain faithful in prayer and intercession for those who are unemployed. Your Word commands us to, "keep on asking, and we will receive what we ask for. Keep on seeking, and we will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to us." We, the Body Christ, stand on these promises and we expect to see significant improvements in the unemployment rate in the United States. We decree that there will be a more aggressive stimulation to the demand for supply from American and foreign consumers. There will be a surge in both large and small businesses. As we pray Your will, Father, our eyes will remain fixed on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, for all of these things to come to pass soon. We confess that when those who have been unemployed finally receive employment they will work willingly, as if You are their direct supervisor. Lord God, You are their sun and shield. You give grace and glory, and You will withhold no good thing from those who do what is right.

Holy Spirit, raise the general morale and confidence of American consumers. Restore goodwill and understanding between the American public and the American business sector. Stir the hearts of corporate leaders to put more emphasis on the key role that they play in stimulating the economy by bringing more jobs back to the United States. Prepare the hearts and minds of those who are applying and interviewing for jobs, right now. Give them the tenacity and determination to keep searching as they trust You to guide them into the right opportunities. Inspire the minds of business leaders all over this country to renovate or even reinvent their methods and practices so that new opportunities for growth can come forth in the United States job market.

List the names of those people you know who are looking for employment and speak out their names as you call forth employment. Say, "I call forth employment for _____, today!"

Gracious Father, forgive us as a nation for our sins of greed, arrogance, pride, and rebellion. Forgive us for not considering the consequence of our ways as we overindulged our sinful natures and brought on this recession. Forgive those U.S. companies who have not been sensitive to and cooperative with the American public. Forgive the lawmakers who have prolonged any hope of solutions to our jobless rate with their unyielding resistance to compromise. Lord, forgive me for ***(list any sins that you have committed.)*** Holy Spirit, remind us all of 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 name of person(s)." Now, trust the Lord to heal any wounds in your soul caused by unforgiveness.)***

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

O Lord, the God of our ancestor Israel, may You be praised forever and ever! Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. Everything in the heavens and on earth is Yours. This is Your Kingdom. In Jesus' Name, Amen!

Scripture References for the Written Text: I Chronicles 16:29-30, Matthew 7:7, Hebrews 12:2 NKJV, Colossians 3:23, Psalm 84:11, Matthew 6:13, I Chronicles 29:10-11

Today I will trust God to:
