**Praying For Your Pastor**

Eight titles of jbc PP on “praying for your pastor”.

*Now we pray to God that you will not do anything wrong.*

*2 Cor. 13:7*

***1. Pray for his protection from the temptations of the devil.***

**1 Chronicles 21:1 Then Satan stood up against Israel and moved David to number Israel.**

**1 Chronicles 21:7 And God was displeased with this thing, so He struck Israel.**

**I Chronicles 21:14 So the Lord sent a pestilence on Israel; 70,000 men of Israel fell.**

**Luke 22:31-32 “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat. But I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail; and you, when once you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”**

**Ephesians 6:12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, Against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.**

**Ephesians 6:18 With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints.**

***2. Pray for his people. If the devil can’t get him he will work on his family***

**1 Timothy 3:1-2 It is a trustworthy statement: if any man aspires to the office of overseer, it is a fine work he desires to do. An overseer, then, must be above reproach, the husband of one wife.**

**1 Timothy 3:4-5 He must be one who manages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity. “(but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?”**

***3. Pray for his preaching. God has chosen that the preaching of His Word be a significant key to your growth.***

**Matthew 3:1 Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching.**

**Matthew 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach.**

**Mark 1:38 And He said to them, “Let us go somewhere else to the towns nearby, in order that I may preach there also; for that is what I came out for.”**

**Mark 3:14 And He appointed twelve, that they might be with Him, and that He might send them out to preach.**

**1 Corinthians 1:21 For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not come to know God, God was well-pleased through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.**

**Colossians 1:25 Of this church I was made a minister according to the stewardship from God bestowed on me for your benefit, That I might fully carry out the preaching of the word of God.**

**2 Timothy 4:1-2 I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction.**

**Ephesians 6:19 And pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel.**

**Colossians 4:3-4 Praying at the same time for us as well, that God may open up to us a door for the word, So that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned; in order that I may make it clear in the way I ought to speak.**

**2 Thessalonians 3:1 Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you.**

***4. Pray for his perception, his wisdom, his ability to make right choices in all situations.***

**1 Peter 5:2 Shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; And not for sordid gain, but with eagerness.**

**Colossians 1:9-10 For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding.**

**Col 1:10 And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God,**

**1 Kings 12:3-8 So they sent for Jeroboam, and he and the whole assembly of Israel went to Rehoboam and said to him:**

**1Ki 12:4 "Your father put a heavy yoke on us, but now lighten the harsh labor and the heavy yoke he put on us, and we will serve you."**

**1Ki 12:5 Rehoboam answered, "Go away for three days and then come back to me." So the people went away.**

**1Ki 12:6 Then King Rehoboam consulted the elders who had served his father Solomon during his lifetime. "How would you advise me to answer these people?" he asked.**

**1Ki 12:7 They replied, "If today you will be a servant to these people and serve them and give them a favorable answer, they will always be your servants."**

**1Ki 12:8 But Rehoboam rejected the advice the elders gave him and consulted the young men who had grown up with him and were serving him.**

***5. Pray for his passion. depression, discouragement and emotional exhaustion are very serious problems.***

**2 Corinthians 11:28-29 Apart from such external things, there is the daily pressure upon me of concern for all the churches. Who is weak without my being weak? Who is led into sin without my intense concern?**

**2 Corinthians 2:3-4 I wrote as I did so that when I came I should not be distressed by those who ought to make me rejoice. I had confidence in all of you, that you would all share my joy.**

**2Co 2:4 For I wrote you out of great distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to grieve you but to let you know the depth of my love for you.**

**1 Thessalonians 3:5-8 For this reason, when I could stand it no longer, I sent to find out about your faith. I was afraid that in some way the tempter might have tempted you and our efforts might have been useless.**

**1Th 3:6 But Timothy has just now come to us from you and has brought good news about your faith and love. He has told us that you always have pleasant memories of us and that you long to see us, just as we also long to see you.**

**1Th 3:7 Therefore, brothers, in all our distress and persecution we were encouraged about you because of your faith.**

**1Th 3:8 For now we really live, since you are standing firm in the Lord.**

***6. Pray for perseverance and endurance, physically***

**Romans 15:30-32 Now I urge you, brethren, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, To strive together with me in your prayers to God for me, that I may be delivered from those who are disobedient in Judea, And that my service for Jerusalem may prove acceptable to the saints; so that I may come to you in joy by the will of God and find refreshing rest in your company.**

**2 Corinthians 1:8-11 We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about the hardships we suffered in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired even of life.**

**2Co 1:9 Indeed, in our hearts we felt the sentence of death. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead.**

**2Co 1:10 He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us. On him we have set our hope that he will continue to deliver us,**

**2Co 1:11 as you help us by your prayers. Then many will give thanks on our behalf for the gracious favor granted us in answer to the prayers of many.**

**Acts 12:5-7 So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him.**

**Act 12:6 The night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries stood guard at the entrance.**

**Act 12:7 Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. "Quick, get up!" he said, and the chains fell off Peter's wrists.**

***7. Pray for his priorities.***

**Acts 6:2-4 So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables.**

**Act 6:3 Brothers, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them**

**Act 6:4 and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word."**

***8. Starting a New Church***

**Planting a Daughter Church is the best form of evangelism.**

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**Every district of your city or town should have a Baptist church.**

**There should be a Baptist church within walking of all people.**

**2000 Baptist churches were planted during the 90ties**

**Let us fulfill God’s purpose for our Church**

**(Act 2:41) Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.**

**Act 2:46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, (They did not meet all in one place)**