

## A Prayer For Civil Servants

Holy God, creator and sustainer, in Your infinite wisdom You have set us to be civil servants. This week we are burdened for the multitude of civil servants who work to make living, sharing and working together, fruitful, fulfilling and joyful. We pray for those who serve in positions of great responsibilities and those of lesser responsibilities, those who represent millions and those who serve hundreds, those whose decision will affect generations still to be born and those who serve the immediate needs of today. Grant that every civil servant may treat the rich and the poor, the young and the old, the educated and the uneducated with dignity and fairness. May we serve without prejudice or partiality in times of prosperity or poverty, peace or war. O God, may every civil servant be a person of integrity, reliability and commitment; one who serves out of a sincere compassion, never seeking personal gain, status or prestige. May we make every effort to make our community, city, and nation, not only a better place to live, but a place known for its mercy, justice, righteousness and fairness. Give each of us knowledge, insight, courage and strength. May we know right from wrong, when to be flexible and when to be firm.

Heavenly Father, be merciful to our great land and to those who lead us in our communities, cities, and national government. Give to each a sense of calling. May each put a high value on justice, righteousness, honesty and service. May all have a pure heart and the peace and joy of knowing they have taken the high road. O God, no one said it would be easy and no one said it was going to be this hard. But may the day come when we can say, *"Praise the Lord, we have come this far."*

This we pray in the name of the Righteous of the righteous; the Purest of the pure, our Lord Jesus Christ, **Amen.**