

A close-up photograph showing two hands clasped together in a prayerful gesture, resting on an open Bible. The hands are positioned symmetrically on either side of the center, with fingers interlaced. The Bible is open, showing text on the pages. The background is dark and out of focus. A semi-transparent dark rectangle is overlaid in the lower half of the image, containing white text.

**Pray: FIRST!**  
**1 Tim. 2:1-6**

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*First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup> for kings and all those who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and it pleases God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who gave himself as a ransom for all, a testimony at the proper time.*



# Kinds of Prayer?

**Paul mentions four areas of prayer:**

- **Petitions** – Special request that you have, a friend has; the situation in Kerr County & the Hill Country
- **Prayers** – a general that speaks for regular prayers that are part of daily worship & devotion (Ps. 119:18)
- **Intercessions** – specific prayers on behalf of others
- **Thanksgiving** – Prayers of gratitude expressed to God for His work in our world...

# Who do we Pray for?

*“...I urge that prayers...be made for EVERYONE, 2) for Kings and all whose who are in authority...” 1 Tim. 2:1.2*

- **Everyone - needs prayer... (Eph. 6:18 – the Holy Spirit will show you who; Rom. 8:26; Matt. 5:43-44; )**
- **Kings & those in authority – Politics, govt, police, Education; Courts; Church; Family**

**Remember Paul said: PRAY FIRST**



# Why do we Pray?

*“...so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. 3) This is good, and it pleases God our Savior, 4) who wants everyone to be saved...”*

*1 Tim. 2:2,3,4*

- It will calm you! Bring Peace & Quiet to us, Luke 18:1
- It Pleases God, v. 3
- For people to be Saved v. 4

# Pray for What?

*“...4) who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the Truth.” 1 Tim. 2:4*

- **For people to be Saved v. 4**

*“The Lord does not delay His promise, as some understand delay, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish but all to come to repentance.” 2 Pet. 3:9*

- **For them to Grow in their faith v. 4**

*“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ...” 2 Tim. 3:18*



# Who will you Pray for?

- By Name – Family? Co-workers? Friends?
- By Need - Salvation? Spiritual growth? Marriage? Finances? Health? Family?

Ask the Holy Spirit to make you sensitive to the spiritual needs of those around you...

Write down their name & need... Set a time to pray for them!

**Whatever you do: PRAY FIRST!**