

## 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Pt. II

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**Our commitment: When this church gathers, we will pray that God's salvation would reach people in every nation.**

### **I. When the church gathers, we will pray for all people (1-2a)**

- A. God calls the Church to corporate prayer (1a-1c)
- B. God calls the Church to pray "for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions" (1c-2a)

### **II. Corporate prayer for all people is of first importance in God's mission to redeem the nations (2b-7)**

- A. The Church is blessed (2b)
- B. God is glorified (3)
- C. Sinners are saved (4-6)
- D. God's mission continues (7)

## Sermon Study Guide

(Reminder: The purpose of the questions is to explore the text and themes of the sermon. **Do not feel a need to go through all of the questions.** The goal is to stimulate discussion/reflection and transformation related to the sermon text and themes.)

1. Discuss how corporate prayer (1 Tim. 2:1-7) is connected to "love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith" (1 Tim. 1:5).
2. In His desire to see all people saved, why is corporate prayer the first thing God calls the church to do instead of evangelism, or something else? How does corporate prayer help the gospel to spread?
3. Discuss Paul's language regarding God and Jesus. Why would the following statements be controversial? God as Savior, only one God, only one mediator between God and men is the man Christ Jesus, Jesus as the only ransom for all. How do praying churches overcome objections to the exclusivity of the gospel?
4. In your own words, explain "all people" in vv. 4 and 6. How does praying according to these verses protect us from becoming elitists and universalists?
5. How can our church grow in praying together around God's desires to see the nations saved?