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Week 4 Introduction

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From Renewal to Hope

As we continue our journey through *250 Years of Praying for America*, we come to a week that calls us to look inward before we look outward. Throughout Scripture, every genuine movement of God has begun with hearts that were humbled before Him. National renewal has always followed personal revival.

America has been richly blessed over the past 250 years. We have enjoyed freedoms, opportunities, and resources unmatched by most nations in history. Yet with those blessings comes a sacred responsibility. God calls His people not merely to celebrate the past, but to live faithfully in the present and to prepare the next generation for the future.

This week's devotions invite us to examine our own walk with Christ. We will pray for revival, recommit ourselves to the truth of God's Word, recognize that we are blessed in order to bless others, and consider the legacy we are leaving behind. We will be reminded that our calling is to remain faithful until Jesus Christ returns and that our ultimate hope has never rested in human leaders or earthly institutions, but in the Lord alone.

The challenges facing our nation are real, but so is the power of God. He is still changing lives, strengthening churches, saving sinners, and accomplishing His eternal purposes. Every prayer offered in faith, every act of obedience, every word of encouragement, and every faithful witness for Christ becomes part of God's greater work.

As you read these devotions each day, ask the Lord to begin His work in your own heart. Pray for your family, your church, your community, and our nation. Seek His wisdom through His Word. Listen for His voice. Then respond in obedience.

May this week draw you into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and renew your confidence that the God who has faithfully guided our nation through the past 250 years is still sovereign today. Our future is secure—not because of who sits in earthly offices, but because our King reigns forever.

**"Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?"
— Psalm 85:6 (ESV)**

250 Years of Praying for America

Week Four – Monday, July 20, 2026

Living as Christian Citizens

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:13–16; Jeremiah 29:7; 1 Peter 2:11–17 (ESV)

Devotional

As America enters her 250th year, Christians have an opportunity to demonstrate what faithful citizenship truly looks like. Our greatest responsibility is not found in a political party or an earthly platform, but in our allegiance to King Jesus. When believers walk in holiness, serve their neighbors with humility, speak the truth in love, and faithfully proclaim the gospel, they become the 'salt of the earth' and the 'light of the world.'

The history of our nation is filled with ordinary believers whose quiet faithfulness shaped families, communities, schools, churches, and even governments. They understood that lasting change begins in transformed hearts. While laws are important, only the gospel changes lives from the inside out.

Jeremiah instructed God's people to seek the welfare of the city where they lived. Peter reminded Christians to honor everyone, love the brotherhood, fear God, and honor those in authority. Jesus Himself commanded His followers to let their light shine before others so that people would glorify the Father in heaven.

As we pray for America today, let us also ask God to begin His work in us. Revival always starts in individual hearts before it spreads through churches and communities. Our neighbors should see Christ in our words, our attitudes, our compassion, and our integrity. Whether we are retired or still working, raising children or enjoying grandchildren, each of us has been strategically placed by God to influence someone for His glory.

Perhaps America's greatest need today is not simply better policies, but better Christians—believers who genuinely reflect the love, holiness, courage, and grace of Jesus Christ every single day.

Digging Deeper

Read Matthew 5:13–16 carefully. Ask yourself:

- In what ways am I being salt in my community?

- Is my light shining clearly, or have I allowed fear or complacency to hide it?
- How can I intentionally represent Christ this week?

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for allowing me to live in this nation at this moment in history. Help me to be a faithful ambassador for Jesus Christ. May my words be gracious, my actions honorable, and my testimony attractive to those who do not know You. Use Your Church to bring spiritual renewal to America, beginning with me. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Today's Challenge

Perform one intentional act of Christian kindness today. Encourage someone, pray with someone, write a note of appreciation, or share your testimony. Ask God to open a door for you to point someone toward Christ.

Memory Verse

Matthew 5:16 (ESV)

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

Pastor's Thought

America does not simply need more Christians in the pews—it needs more Christians living like Christ every day. The greatest influence you will ever have may not come from a public platform, but from a quiet life faithfully lived for the glory of God.

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Week 4 – Tuesday, July 21, 2026

Theme

Revive Us Again

Scripture

“Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?” — Psalm 85:6 (ESV)

Devotional

Throughout America's history, seasons of spiritual awakening have often followed periods of spiritual decline. The First and Second Great Awakenings transformed families, churches, and communities because ordinary believers humbled themselves before God and sought Him earnestly.

Revival is never manufactured by clever programs or persuasive personalities. It is the gracious work of the Holy Spirit as God's people repent, pray, and return to Him with wholehearted devotion. Before we pray for national renewal, we must first ask God to renew our own hearts.

America does not simply need better politics, stronger economics, or greater military power. Our greatest need is spiritual awakening that begins in the people of God and spreads into homes, churches, neighborhoods, and every sphere of society.

As we celebrate 250 years of our nation's history, let us ask the Lord to begin His work of revival in us today. When God changes hearts, He changes families. When He changes families, He changes communities. And when communities are transformed, nations can experience His blessing once again.

Digging Deeper

Read Psalm 85 slowly. Notice how the psalm connects God's mercy, forgiveness, righteousness, peace, and revival. Revival is not merely emotional excitement; it is a return to joyful obedience and renewed fellowship with God.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, revive my own heart before I ask You to revive our nation. Forgive my sins, deepen my love for Christ, and fill me with Your Holy Spirit. Bring renewal to our

churches, awaken those who have grown cold, and draw many people to saving faith in Jesus Christ. May America once again become a nation where Your Word is honored and Your name is glorified. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Today's Challenge

Spend ten minutes praying specifically for revival in your own life, your church, and our nation. Ask God to show you one area where you need to obey Him more completely today.

Memory Verse

Psalm 85:6 — "Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?"

Pastor's Thought

Revival always begins with one surrendered heart. Never underestimate what God can do through one believer who is fully yielded to Him. Perhaps the revival you long to see in America begins with your prayer today.

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Week 4 – Wednesday, July 22, 2026

Theme

The Light of Truth

Scripture

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” — Psalm 119:105 (ESV)

Devotional

Every generation must decide what will guide its future. Some place their confidence in popular opinion, human wisdom, or changing cultural values. Yet history repeatedly reminds us that when nations abandon God's truth, confusion soon follows.

America was blessed with men and women who understood that lasting freedom required moral responsibility. While not every founder was a committed Christian, many recognized that liberty cannot survive without virtue, and virtue cannot flourish apart from truth. The Bible has shaped our laws, inspired countless acts of compassion, and transformed millions of lives throughout our nation's history.

Today our greatest need is not simply more information but God's truth. His Word reveals who He is, who we are, and how we should live. It exposes sin, points us to Christ, strengthens believers, and gives wisdom for every season of life.

As we commemorate 250 years of God's providence toward our nation, may we recommit ourselves to reading, believing, obeying, and teaching the Scriptures. A nation will never consistently rise above the character of its people, and God's people are shaped by God's Word.

Digging Deeper

Read Psalm 119:97–112. Notice the blessings that come from delighting in God's Word—wisdom, stability, discernment, hope, and joy. Ask yourself whether Scripture is truly directing your daily decisions.

Prayer

Gracious Father, thank You for giving us Your perfect and trustworthy Word. Forgive us for the times we neglect it or treat it lightly. Fill our homes, our churches, and our nation with a renewed hunger for Scripture. Help us to stand firmly upon Your truth with

humility, love, and courage. May Your Word continue to shine brightly in America for generations to come. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Today's Challenge

Spend at least fifteen minutes reading God's Word today. Write down one truth that encourages you and one practical way you will obey it before the day is over.

Memory Verse

Psalm 119:105 — “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

Pastor's Thought

Revival is sustained by truth. Emotional moments come and go, but a heart rooted in God's Word will remain steady through every storm. If we want to leave a godly legacy for the next generation, we must first become people of the Book.

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Week 4 – Thursday, July 23, 2026

Theme

Blessed to Be a Blessing

Scripture

“I will bless you... so that you will be a blessing.” — Genesis 12:2 (ESV)

Devotional

One of God's consistent patterns throughout Scripture is that He blesses His people so they may become a blessing to others. His gifts are never intended to stop with us. Whether He entrusts us with resources, abilities, opportunities, or influence, He calls us to use them for His glory and for the good of others.

For 250 years, America has enjoyed remarkable blessings. We have known freedom, abundant resources, unprecedented opportunities, and the privilege of proclaiming the gospel around the world. Missionaries, churches, relief organizations, and Christian schools have carried the message of Jesus Christ to countless nations because God first blessed this nation.

With blessing comes responsibility. We must resist the temptation to become comfortable, self-centered, or complacent. Instead, we should ask how God wants to use us to serve our neighbors, strengthen our churches, care for the vulnerable, and share the hope of Christ with those who have never believed.

As we thank God for His goodness to America, let us remember that our greatest calling is not merely to preserve our blessings but to faithfully steward them for His kingdom.

Digging Deeper

Read Genesis 12:1–3 and Matthew 5:13–16. Consider how God's people are called to reflect His character and extend His grace to the world. Ask yourself where God may be inviting you to become a greater blessing to someone else this week.

Prayer

Father, thank You for every blessing You have poured into my life and upon our nation. Guard me from taking Your goodness for granted. Open my eyes to people who need encouragement, practical help, and the hope of the gospel. May Grace Community

Bible Church be known as a church that loves, serves, and points people to Jesus Christ. Use America, while You graciously allow, to continue advancing the good news throughout the world. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Today's Challenge

Look for one practical way to bless another person today. It may be a visit, a phone call, a meal, an encouraging note, or sharing your testimony with someone who needs hope.

Memory Verse

Genesis 12:2 — “I will bless you... so that you will be a blessing.”

Pastor's Thought

God rarely blesses us simply for our comfort. More often, He blesses us so His grace will flow through us into the lives of others. Ask yourself today, “Who will experience God's love because I was faithful?”

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Week 4 – Friday, July 24, 2026

Theme

A Legacy for the Next Generation

Scripture

“One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.” — Psalm 145:4 (ESV)

Devotional

Every generation stands on the shoulders of those who came before it. The freedoms we enjoy, the churches we worship in, and the opportunities we possess were purchased through sacrifice, faithful service, and God's gracious providence. Yet every generation must make its own decision whether it will faithfully follow the Lord.

The greatest inheritance we can leave our children and grandchildren is not wealth, possessions, or even a good reputation. It is a vibrant faith in Jesus Christ lived out consistently before them. They need to see that God's Word is true, prayer is essential, the church matters, and Christ is worthy of wholehearted devotion.

As America marks 250 years, we should ask not only what kind of nation we inherited, but what kind of nation we will leave behind. Our responsibility is to model godliness, disciple younger believers, support faithful churches, and pass along the unchanging truth of the gospel.

History remembers famous leaders, but heaven rejoices over ordinary believers who faithfully invest in the next generation. God can use one faithful life to influence countless others for His kingdom.

Digging Deeper

Read Deuteronomy 6:4–9 and Psalm 78:1–8. Notice God's repeated command to teach His truth diligently to the next generation so they will place their hope in Him rather than forget His works.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for those who faithfully passed the gospel to me. Help me to do the same for those who follow. Strengthen Christian parents, grandparents,

pastors, teachers, and mentors as they invest in young lives. May the next generation know, love, and serve Jesus Christ with unwavering conviction. Let America's greatest days spiritually be those still ahead because Your people remained faithful. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Today's Challenge

Encourage someone younger than you today. Share a testimony of God's faithfulness, pray with them, or send them a note reminding them of God's promises.

Memory Verse

Psalm 145:4 — “One generation shall commend your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.”

Pastor's Thought

Buildings eventually wear out, and earthly accomplishments fade, but every life invested in another person for Christ has eternal value. Leave behind a legacy of faith that points others to the Savior.

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Week 4 – Saturday, July 25, 2026

Theme

Faithful Until He Comes

Scripture

“Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.” — 1 Corinthians 15:58 (ESV)

Devotional

Followers of Jesus Christ have never been promised an easy path, but we have been promised His presence, His power, and His ultimate victory. Every generation has faced challenges that seemed overwhelming, yet God has always remained faithful to those who remained faithful to Him.

As we reflect on 250 years of America's history, we recognize both seasons of blessing and seasons of hardship.

The future of our nation does not ultimately rest in human strength, political systems, or economic prosperity.

Our confidence rests in the sovereign Lord who rules over the nations and whose purposes cannot be thwarted.

Until Christ returns, our assignment remains unchanged. We are to worship faithfully, love sacrificially, serve joyfully, proclaim the gospel boldly, and make disciples intentionally. Whether our influence reaches thousands or only a few, God calls us to be faithful where He has placed us.

One day we will stand before the Lord and give an account of our stewardship. May He find us steadfast, hopeful, and fully committed to His work. The greatest days of service are not behind us if we continue to walk in obedience with Him.

Digging Deeper

Read 1 Corinthians 15:50–58 and Matthew 24:42–46. Notice how the certainty of Christ's return motivates faithful living in the present. Biblical hope never produces complacency—it inspires perseverance.

Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for the hope of Your promised return. Strengthen me to remain faithful in every season of life. Help me never to grow weary in serving You, loving others, and sharing the gospel. Bless the churches of America with renewed courage, steadfast faith, and unwavering commitment to Your truth. May we be found faithful when You come again. In Your holy name, Amen.

Today's Challenge

Identify one ministry, neighbor, or person who needs encouragement. Take one concrete step today to serve them in the name of Christ, remembering that no act of faithful service is ever wasted.

Memory Verse

1 Corinthians 15:58 — “Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.”

Pastor's Thought

God does not measure success the way the world does. He asks for faithfulness. Continue serving, continue praying, continue loving, and continue trusting Him. The Lord always honors a life that remains faithful to the very end.

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Week 4 – Sunday, July 26, 2026

Theme

Our Hope Is in the Lord

Scripture

“Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!” — Psalm 33:12 (ESV)

Devotional

As we conclude another week of praying for America, we are reminded that our greatest confidence has never rested in presidents, courts, economies, or military strength. Our hope has always rested in the Lord. Nations rise and fall, cultures change, and generations pass away, but God remains faithful forever.

For 250 years, the hand of God's providence has been evident throughout our nation's history. He has preserved us through wars, economic hardship, natural disasters, and times of deep division. At every point, He has raised up faithful believers, courageous churches, and ordinary Christians who quietly lived for His glory and influenced those around them.

The future of America will not be determined merely by headlines or elections. It will be shaped by men and women who humbly walk with God, faithfully proclaim the gospel, disciple the next generation, and pray without ceasing. The Lord still delights to work through people who seek His face with sincere hearts.

Today, gather with God's people in worship. Thank Him for His faithfulness in the past, trust Him for the future, and recommit yourself to serving Christ wholeheartedly. Whatever lies ahead for our nation, we know the King of kings is still on His throne, and His kingdom will never end.

Digging Deeper

Read Psalm 33 in its entirety. Notice how the psalm contrasts the temporary strength of nations with the eternal faithfulness of the Lord. Reflect on why believers can live with confidence regardless of changing circumstances.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for Your unfailing faithfulness through every generation. Thank You for the freedoms You have graciously given our nation and for the privilege of worshiping You openly. Continue to bless America, not because we deserve it, but because of Your mercy. Strengthen Your church to proclaim the gospel with boldness and compassion. Help us to be people of prayer, people of Your Word, and faithful ambassadors for Jesus Christ until He returns. We place our hope completely in You. In the precious name of Jesus, Amen.

Today's Challenge

Attend worship today with a heart prepared to hear God's Word. Before leaving church, encourage at least one person and commit to praying daily this coming week for your church, your community, and our nation.

Memory Verse

Psalm 33:12 — “Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!”

Pastor's Thought

America's greatest hope has never been found in Washington—it has always been found at the foot of the cross. When God's people worship faithfully, pray earnestly, and live obediently, they become lights that shine in a dark world. May we never stop praying for our nation, trusting that the Lord is able to do far more than we could ever ask or imagine.