

Improve, or remove

Should we pray unsatisfactory people out of office?

Yes! The good news is that God has invested our prayers with His kind of political power.

The Bible is quite clear that our prayers for political leaders are to have a definite end in view.

We are to pray “for Kings, and for all that are in authority,” with the specific consequence in mind “that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.” 1 Timothy 2:1-2

So if leaders are brawlers, if they hinder the development of a peaceful lifestyle, if they if they deliberately prevent society from being godly and honest we need to pray that they will either improve their ways – or remove themselves from politics.

Jesus set the example. First He openly denounced townspeople who were a bad influence on society (Matthew 11.20).

Second, He exposed economic leaders who, in the name of religion, were ripping people off in the Jewish temple. (Matthew 21.13)

Third, He confronted hypocritical leaders who were working against the best interests of the community (Matthew 23.13).

Because God is very concerned to see justice done, He is carefully counting our prayers (votes) for the kind of leaders our country needs.

Have you prayed (voted) today?

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GOOD NEWS IN BRIEF

“Righteousness makes a nation great; sin is a disgrace to any nation.” Proverbs 14.34 (Good News Bible)

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