

Dependence

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- A. Paul urges Christians to pray for all people—both for their salvation & for their needs.
- B. Pray for those in positions of authority in society—that they may lead with wisdom & skill.
- C. When those in power lead wisely & skillfully it creates good conditions that benefit everyone and makes it easier to share the gospel.

II. We Should Pray for All People to be Saved because it is the Will of God vv. 5-6.

⁵ For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

- We are totally dependent on Jesus for salvation (Acts 4:12). Jesus is mankind's only hope for salvation from God's judgment.

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⁷ For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. ⁸ I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling.

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- A. Paul mentions his call to ministry to prove that God wants all people to be saved (Acts 9:15).
- B. Jesus sent us out into the world to share the gospel so that others might be saved.