

BLESSING OUR NATION

TEACH ME

Lesson

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance." Ps 33:12

The Bible clearly tells us that a nation who recognizes God as their Lord will be blessed. Just a few of those blessings we get to enjoy include love, favor, peace, and joy. When we recognize the Lord as our God and enter into a relationship with Him, His blessings are a natural progression of an overcoming life.

"I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty" (I Timothy 2:1-2).

While we enjoy those blessings, we must not forget we are instructed to give thanks and pray for the needs of all people. This includes the government, civil, family, and educational leaders of our country. It is imperative we pray for God to give them wisdom and guide them in godly obedience. He will help them to make good choices when deciding things that affect our nation as a whole, including our children.

As your children grow, teach them to know who their God is and to take ownership of their nation through prayer. By doing so, they will not only reap blessings, but impact the quality of life for themselves and others.

SHOW ME

Activity

Materials needed: construction paper, scraps of cloth, twine or ribbon
 Create a prayer bunting (see image to the right) of flag shaped sections made from construction paper or scraps of cloth. String these flags together with twine or ribbon. A pennant shaped bunting can also be purchased at a dollar store or other stores that offer holiday decorations. For US residents, you may wish to use red, white and blue colors since we celebrate God's blessing on our country on July 4th.

Ideas for each flag shape:

- Write a prayer on each flag section pertaining to a need for your country. Use a different request for each flag.
- Write a verse of scripture that pertains to the prayer represented on the flag sections. Once written, pray that scripture together.
- Instead of writing, draw a picture depicting the prayer request. This works well for younger children who cannot write yet.
- Anoint each flag section of the bunting with anointing oil, and pray together as a group or family. This teaches children the power of agreement in prayer.

TRAIN ME

Prayer Time

Suggested prayer focuses:

- Pray for the president, and other leaders (pastors, parents, teachers, police, etc.) to have wisdom and courage to lead us in ways that please the Lord.
- Pray for a desire in people to turn from sin and repent and seek God.
- Pray people would show their devotion to God through obedience of what is taught in the Bible.
- Pray people would receive a revelation of Jesus as the one true God.
- Give thanks for the freedom to worship God and share the gospel.



"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6).

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