



Repentance Scriptures & Prayers for County Gatherings

(Adapted from *Worship City* "Prayer Surrounding the Capitol" event in 2021)

TN County & Tennessee Prayer Coalition Leaders' Resources

Optional Readings (approximately **9 minutes** of reading below)

(for reading and prayer time after reading of the Historic, Annual HJR 0051 resolution)

Reader 1:

"He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them His way. All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful toward those who keep the demands of His covenant." Psalms 25:9-10

Reader 2:

Please take a moment as we ponder this resolution, a historic, annual "Call to Prayer, Fasting & Repentance" for the state of Tennessee. Let's personally and quietly bow in humility before God, and confess our sins to our Great High Priest, Jesus, Yeshua, The God who saves! Ask Him to reveal to you what to confess to Him. 1 John 1:9 says, *"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."* And, Ephesians 2:8-9 says *"It is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — not by works, so that no one can boast."*

Reader 3:

Oh Heavenly Father today we choose, as Your children, to be clay in Your hands. You are the Potter and we are Your clay. *"Woe to those who quarrel with their Maker, those who are nothing but potsherd on the ground. Does the clay say to the potter, 'What are you making?' Does your work say, 'The potter has no hands'?"* Isaiah 45:9 *"... You, Oh Lord, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand."* Isaiah 64:8

Reader 4:

"Then the word of the Lord came to me. He said, 'Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?' declares the Lord. 'Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel. If at any time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned.'" Jeremiah 18:5-8

Reader 5:

Mold us into Your vessels of honor by Your righteous right hand and outstretched arm. Grant that a spirit of repentance would arise, first in us, Your Bride, then, in all the people of America!

"When He (Holy Spirit) comes, He will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer." John 16:8-10

Reader 6:

"And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful. Opponents must be gently instructed, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth, and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will." 2 Timothy 2:24-26

Reader 7:

"Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, forbearance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance?" Romans 2:4 "The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." 2 Peter 3:9

Reader 8:

We ask for Your Holy Spirit's conviction to fill our hearts, and to lead us and fill us with faith so we will not resist You or this opportunity to humble ourselves *"for such a time as this."* Esther 4:13-14, and *"Help us to obey You and not harden our hearts, Lord!" Hebrews 3:7-15*

Reader 9:

You always fulfill your promises, Oh Lord God... just like You fulfilled Your promises to King David and his son, Solomon, to build a temple for Your great Name. You then filled that temple with Your glory... Your very Presence... so that even the priests

could not stand up to minister on the day Solomon dedicated the temple to You. (in 1 Kings 8) But now, in Your New Covenant, You have declared that WE, as those who have repented and placed their trust in Christ's atoning blood... WE are a priesthood of believers. WE are now Your temple... and Your Spirit now lives IN US! Thank you Almighty God, Yeshua! The One who Saves!

Reader 10:

"Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst." 1 Corinthians 3:16
Further, as 1 Peter 2:5 says, *"You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ."*

Reader 11:

Father, You sent your only Son, Jesus Christ, to the earth over 2000 years ago to "dwell among us," and they saw Your glory. Now, You dwell IN us... AND among us, by Your Holy Spirit, especially when we gather like this in unity, as ONE Body. You are IN us, as believers, and we are in You. We ask You to pour out Your spirit of grace and supplication upon us, as we humble ourselves before You. We intentionally turn away from "our own selfish ways" and repent.

Reader 12:

"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for Him as one grieves for a firstborn son." Zechariah 12:10

Reader 13:

"He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God" John 1:10-12

Reader 14:

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

Reader 15:

"When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." 2 Chronicles." 7:13-14

Reader 16:

Lord Jesus, empower us today by the breath of Your Holy Spirit, who lives in us... so we will not resist You, but embrace Your call to *draw near to You as you promised if we do, You will draw near to us!* So, let Your Spirit and Your glory fall upon us today as we love and seek You with all our heart, soul, mind and strength! We beseech you this day, on behalf of our state and nation! We want to answer Your call, as you told Ezekiel, that You *"looked for someone among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it..."* but You found no one, in Ezekiel 22:30. Today, please hear us as we cry out to you and stand in the gap for ourselves, as well as our families, churches, cities, counties, state, and nation! Please hear from Heaven, and "Heal our Land!"

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Saturday, August 2nd, at 12:00 noon

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600 James Robertson Pkwy, Nashville, TN 37243

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(You can bring a sack lunch to eat afterwards at the picnic tables, or go next door to eat at the Farmer's Market Food Court.)

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