



Scripture Prayers Against Human Trafficking

Father God, as we begin our prayers for those engaged in human trafficking and their victims, we acknowledge that our struggle is not against people, but against rulers and powers of this dark world. However, we have put on the spiritual armor You gave us so that we can firmly stand our ground. We thank You that we are strong because of our faith in You and Your mighty power (Ephesians 6:10 - 18, 1 Corinthians 2:5). Please help us to be self-controlled and alert, aware that our enemy, the devil, is seeking someone to devour. Help us to resist him, standing firm in the faith (1 Peter. 5:8,9). Though this thief comes only to steal, kill and destroy, You, Jesus, have come to give us abundant life (John 10:10).

Prayers for the Traffickers

Lord, we pray for those involved in trafficking, who have become lovers of the world and its desires--sinful cravings, the lust of their eyes, and the boasting of what they have and do (1 John 2:15,16). There are also those who, for the love of riches, have fallen into a trap of foolish and harmful desires. May they realize that these desires will plunge them into ruin and destruction (1 Timothy 6:9).

Father God, we cry out to You, asking You to rescue us from evil men, men of violence, who devise evil plans in their hearts (Psalm 140:1). We look to You because You thwart the plans of the crafty, so that their hands achieve no success. You are the one who sweeps away their schemes (Job 5:12,13). Let it be so, Lord!

We pray that You will also grant them repentance leading them to know the truth, that they will come to their senses. For these captors do not realize that they themselves are captives! Please help them to escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will (2 Tim. 2:25, 26).

Righteous Father, we ask that customers of traffickers would no longer offer themselves and their bodies to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather offer themselves to You, as instruments of righteousness (Romans 6:13-16). Through knowledge of You and Your great and precious promises, may they begin to participate in Your divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires (2 Peter 1:3,4).

For Victims

Lord, we are so grateful that You long to be gracious and rise to show us compassion; You are a God of justice (Isaiah 30:18). God of all comfort, when these victims cry to You in their trouble, please save them from their distress. Please send forth Your word and heal them and rescue them from the grave, that they may give thanks for Your unfailing love (2 Corinthians 1:3; Psalm 107:19-21). May they not be dismayed but be reassured that You are with them to strengthen and uphold them, to give them hope and a future (Isaiah 41:10, Jeremiah 29:11). We wait for You, O Lord, for You will answer (Psalm 38:15). Father God, we ask You to restore these precious ones to health and heal their physical, emotional, and spiritual wounds (Jeremiah 30:17).

For Rescuers

Jesus, may those who work to rescue victims continue Your ministry to proclaim freedom for the prisoners, to release from the dungeon the oppressed and those who sit in darkness (Luke 4:18, Isaiah 42:7). As rescuers search for insight, may they understand the fear of the Lord who gives wisdom (Proverbs 2:3-6). Protect them by the power of Your name and deliver them from evil (John 17:11; Matthew 6:13). May they be strong and courageous, not terrified or discouraged, for You will be with them wherever they go (Joshua 1:9).

For Parents and Children

Please help parents as they train and instruct their children in Your wisdom (Ephesians 6:4). Keep them from the snares of the wicked and protect them from men of violence who plan to trip their feet (Ps. 140:4, 5).