



Praying as families for those oppressed by ideological powers.

Day 13

In today's world, oppressive powers are increasingly driven by ideologies, creating narratives to protect the interests of a particular group while suppressing those with different thoughts. Many nations experience this oppression, where individuals holding differing ideologies from those in power fear persecution and oppression.

These ideological powers often manifest as dictatorships or are influenced by religious ideologies, creating an environment where God's people advocating for righteousness and justice face challenges. Blinded by prejudice, people may tolerate oppression when it aligns with their beliefs. Governments in power should prioritize godly morals and ethics to preserve the well-being of their communities.

Reflecting on Jesus' time during the oppressive Roman rule and the persecution faced by His disciples under Nero's government, it is evident that oppressive forces have existed throughout history. The Messiah's reign reminds us that the government shall be upon his shoulders. Isaiah 58 reminds us of our responsibility to set the oppressed free for our prayers to be heard. Regardless of beliefs, God's people are called to be voices for the oppressed and deliver them from injustice.

If God's people humble themselves and pray, God will establish His reign. He thrones and dethrones people. As we know that Jesus reigns above every power, let's pray diligently for these oppressive powers, to change their thinking to use their powers to bring peace and harmony among people. We also pray for courage and strength for God's people to face and stand against the forces behind oppression.



LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus, you have called your people to live free from oppressing others, as you are a God of love and justice, mindful of those facing unjust oppression. We lift up governments globally that are insensitive to those different from them. The oppressive forces of darkness are waging war against your kingdom of righteousness and peace, hindering the spread of your love and grace. Grant us wisdom and grace to navigate these situations, empowering us to raise our voices where needed. Deliver us from oppressive forces so that your kingdom may be established in this world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

