

# David

## A Prayer for Politics

### **Psalms 12:1-8 (NASB)**

<sup>1</sup> Save, Lord, for the godly man ceases to be, For the faithful disappear from among the sons of men. <sup>2</sup> They speak falsehood to one another; With flattering lips and with a double heart they speak. <sup>3</sup> May the Lord cut off all flattering lips, The tongue that speaks great things; <sup>4</sup> Who have said, "With our tongue we will prevail; Our lips are our own; who is lord over us?" <sup>5</sup> "Because of the devastation of the afflicted, because of the groaning of the needy, Now I will arise," says the Lord; "I will set him in the safety for which he longs." <sup>6</sup> The words of the Lord are pure words; As silver tried in a furnace on the earth, refined seven times. <sup>7</sup> You, O Lord, will keep them; You will preserve him from this generation forever. <sup>8</sup> The wicked strut about on every side when vileness is exalted among the sons of men.

1. God, save us, for the \_\_\_\_\_ man \_\_\_\_\_ to be.

#### **Psalms 12:1**

<sup>1</sup> Help, Lord, for the godly man ceases to be,

2. God, save us, for the \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_.

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#### **Charles Spurgeon**

Fish smell first at the head, and when the godly decay the nation will soon rot.

3. God, protect us from \_\_\_\_\_, flattering lips, and \_\_\_\_\_ hearts.

#### **Psalms 12:2**

<sup>2</sup> They speak falsehood to one another; With flattering lips and with a double heart they speak.

4. God, cut off the \_\_\_\_\_ lips in the mainstream

\_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Psalms 12:3-4**

<sup>3</sup> May the Lord cut off all flattering lips, The tongue that speaks great things;

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Flattering: praising someone to get something.

Great things: promote, make powerful.

Prevail: be powerful, be mighty, be great.

5. God, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for the less fortunate.

**Psalms 12:5-7**

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6. God, help us to make Your word \_\_\_\_\_ in our nation. For it has been tested, and is tried and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Psalms 12:6**

<sup>6</sup> The words of the Lord are pure words; As silver tried in a furnace on the earth, refined seven times.

**John Adams**

"Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

**Benjamin Franklin**

"Only a virtuous people are capable of freedom. As nations become more corrupt and vicious, they have more need of masters."

**Benjamin Franklin**

"Laws without morals are in vain."

7. Thank you, God, that you are in \_\_\_\_\_ even though vileness is \_\_\_\_\_ and the wicked strut about on every side.

**Psalms 12:8**

<sup>8</sup> The wicked strut about on every side when vileness is exalted among the sons of men.