

SEPTEMBER 11, 2016 GOD'S BLUEPRINT FOR THE CHURCH PASTOR JIM LARSON

PRAY FOR WHO?? 1 Timothy 2:1-7

"The Christian life is not a constant high. I have my moments of deep discouragement. I have to go to God in prayer with tears in my eyes ..."

Billy Graham

A call to prayer

A call to prayer recognizes that this endeavor is beyond our capabilities.

A specified call to pray for government leaders is often beyond our desires.

The specified content of our prayer is a recognition that our priorities are often not God's priorities.

A call to please God

God's desire:

God wants all people to be saved and to know the truth.

God's priority:

God didn't provide a way because he had to, he did it because he wanted to

God's provision:

The ransom is the clearest statement that Christ died for you.

A call to take God's message to the world

God's appointment of Paul shows his plan is for the whole world

TAKING IT HOME

Is there anything in today's study that encouraged you, challenged you, or disturbed you? Jot it down.

How might today's study change the way you pray?