

Prayer for Revival, Renewal and Racial Reconciliation to come to St. Louis

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Dear LORD God and Heavenly Father, we come before You now with hearts that grieve over the mess our sin has created in our city, St. Louis.

We mourn our failure to heed Your Son's High Priestly Prayer in which He asked that we would live in complete unity, in order that the world would believe that He had truly been sent by You. Tragically, instead of living that way, we confess that our lives are instead distorted by racism, division, hostility, hatred, and feelings of superiority – even here within Your Church.

Dear Father, we know the ultimate payment for these sins and all others was paid through the shed blood of Your Son, Jesus. However, we also know and experience the temporal consequences of these sins all around us – in broken relationships, our broken city, and our broken world.

LORD, we humbly present our lives upon Your Altar and ask that You would use this moment to call down the refining fire of Your Holy Spirit upon us and our city. Let revival, renewal and racial reconciliation so engulf St. Louis that the world would be confronted with the undeniable truth that this could only have come by Your Direct and Divine Intervention.

And please lift our eyes that we might clearly see Your Kingdom as it truly is: your Throne, the Lamb as if slain, the 4 living creatures, the 24 elders, the myriads of angels, all surrounded by the uncountable multitude of every ethnicity and language – crying out together in unending worship of Your Son, Jesus.

Dear Father, please let Your Kingdom breakthrough into our city as we repent in humble obedience to Your Word, through the power of Your Holy Spirit, that You might bring this real revival, renewal and reconciliation to us now – with all of Your children united in true worship and adoration, on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.