

# In-Home Discipleship Guide

Our hope is that you would continue to both be discipled, and disciple those around you during these days. Below is a guide to help prepare you (and your small group or family) for Sunday worship. We encourage you to take advantage of this as you are able, and let us know if there are other ways we can serve you at this time.

**THEME:** What it means to be children of God

**MEMORY VERSE:** 1 John 1:7

If we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

**BIG IDEA:** True children of God reject the falsehoods of this world and embrace the realities of eternal life in Christ Jesus.

**SONGS:** Click [here](#) for Sunday's worship set. *Be sure to subscribe to our channel!*

**TEACHING PASSAGE:** 1 John 5:13-21

*See the **next page** for any additional resources, including any activities that can be done with young children.*

Discussion Questions:

1. Last week Pastor Enoch spoke about eternal life, how can we have confidence that we have eternal life?
2. What does the Bible teach us about God and how can that help you when you are praying for God's will? (Deuteronomy 29:29)
3. In Matthew 6:5-15 Jesus gives an example of how to pray, take time and read these verses especially verses 9-13, really listen to what Jesus says. What are the key components in "The Lord's Prayer" that will help us to pray?
4. Verse 15 says "know that He hears us in whatever we ask" what do you think these words mean and why is it so important? (Matthew 21:22, James 1:6)
5. God wants us to pray for others (Hebrews 13:18, 1Timothy 2:1, James 5:14) verse 16 calls us to pray for those that are sinning why is this so important? (verse 17)
6. Those that sin without remorse do not know God but those that are born of God seek forgiveness and repent how does John encourage us in verses 18-20?
7. In the final words of 1 John 5 we have been given a warning, what idols keep you from trusting, obeying and worshiping the one true God?

**Through the summer *Junior high students (JHM)* and *High school students (HSM)* will be continuing primarily through small groups. Small group leaders will reach out to you to keep you informed on what's happening and when. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Ben at [bt Tyler@commfell.org](mailto:bt Tyler@commfell.org)**

## Additional Resources

**Teaching Passage:** 1 John 5:13-21

<sup>13</sup> I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life. <sup>14</sup> And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. <sup>15</sup> And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

<sup>16</sup> If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask, and God will give him life—to those who commit sins that do not lead to death. There is sin that leads to death; I do not say that one should pray for that. <sup>17</sup> All wrongdoing is sin, but there is sin that does not lead to death.

<sup>18</sup> We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him.

<sup>19</sup> We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

<sup>20</sup> And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life. <sup>21</sup> Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

### **Activities:**

Let's review what we have learned about a child of God in 1 John. Discuss the 12 points below as a family.

1. A child of God has fellowship with God the Father, Jesus, and fellow believers. (1 John 1:3).
2. A child of God walks in the light (good and truth) not in darkness (evil and lies) (1 John 1:6–7).
3. A child of God confesses his sin and is forgiven (1 John 1:8).
4. A child of God obeys the Word of God (1 John 2:3–5).
5. A child of God loves God rather than worldly things (1 John 2:15).
6. A child of God confesses Jesus is the Christ (1 John 2:22-23).
7. A child of God practices doing what is right (1 John 2:29 and 3:7).
8. A child of God sees a decreasing pattern of sin in his life (1 John 3:5–6; 5:18).
9. A child of God expresses love for other Christians through words, actions and attitudes (1 John 3:14, 18-19).
10. A child of God has the Spirit of God in him (1 John 3:24, and 4:4, 13).
11. A child of God has eternal life (1 John 5:11,13).
12. A child of God can confidently approach God in prayer (1 John 5:14-15).

Look closely at verse 14 and 15.

- Ask: What do these 2 verse teach us about prayer?
- Ask: What affect does praying in God's will have on your request?
- Take some time to think about what praying in God's will means.
- Think of loved ones that have not professed faith in Christ and pray for them.

Below is an adapted excerpt from Printable Prayer Stations by Teach Sunday School.

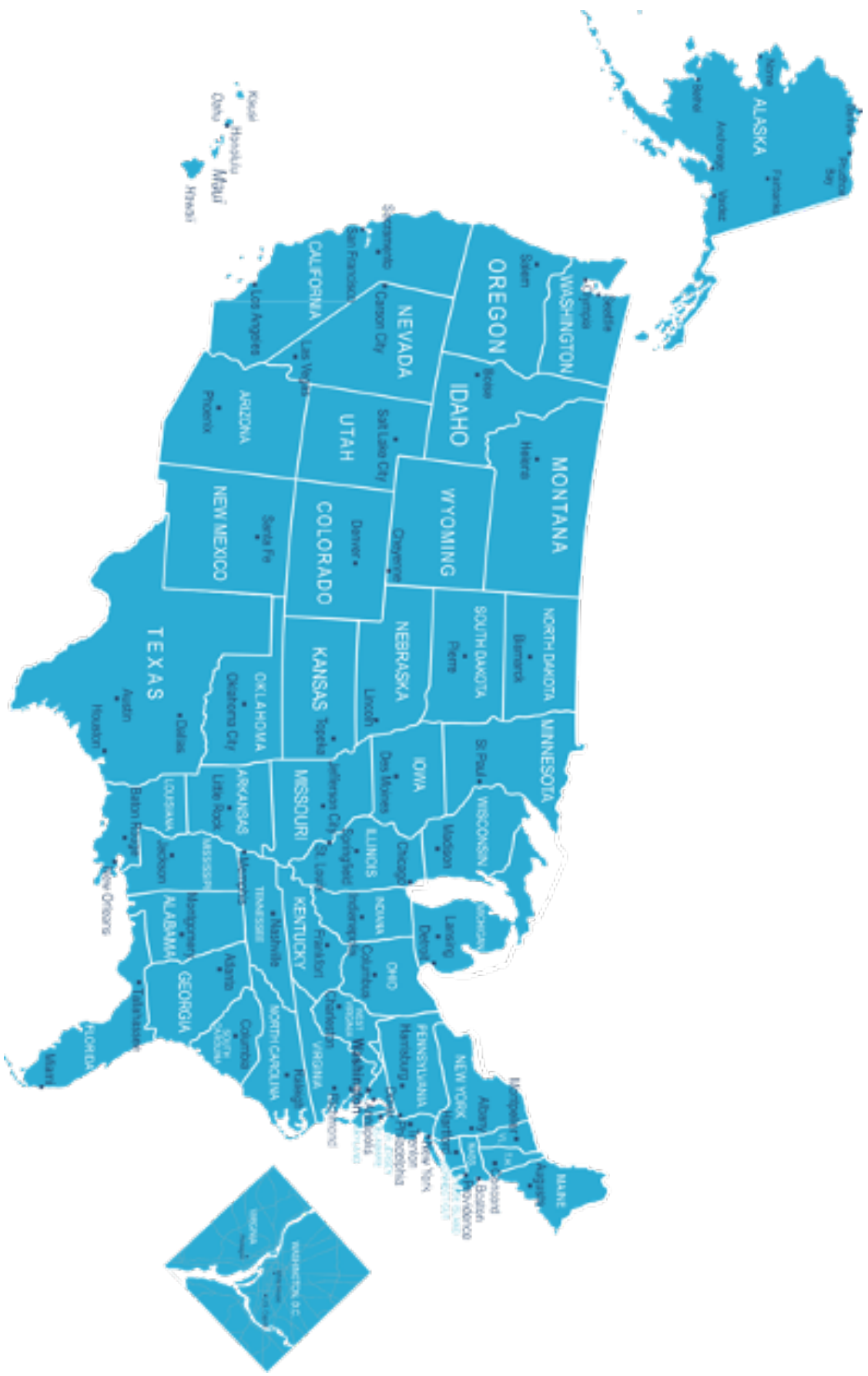
**What are Prayer Stations?**

Prayer stations involve small crafts or activities, ideas for reflection, and ideas for prayers based on certain preselected subjects. The subject we have included is Government. In times like these we cannot neglect to pray for our country's leadership.

**How to use the prayer station?**

Print the pages below and find a place in your home, perhaps the kitchen table, to post the printed pages. You can tape them to a wall or fold them tent style and place on your table. Follow the instruction and suggested ideas for reflection and prayer. You may want to include marking areas on the map you have heightened concern and pray specifically for those areas of our country.

# PRAY FOR OUR GOVERNMENT MAP






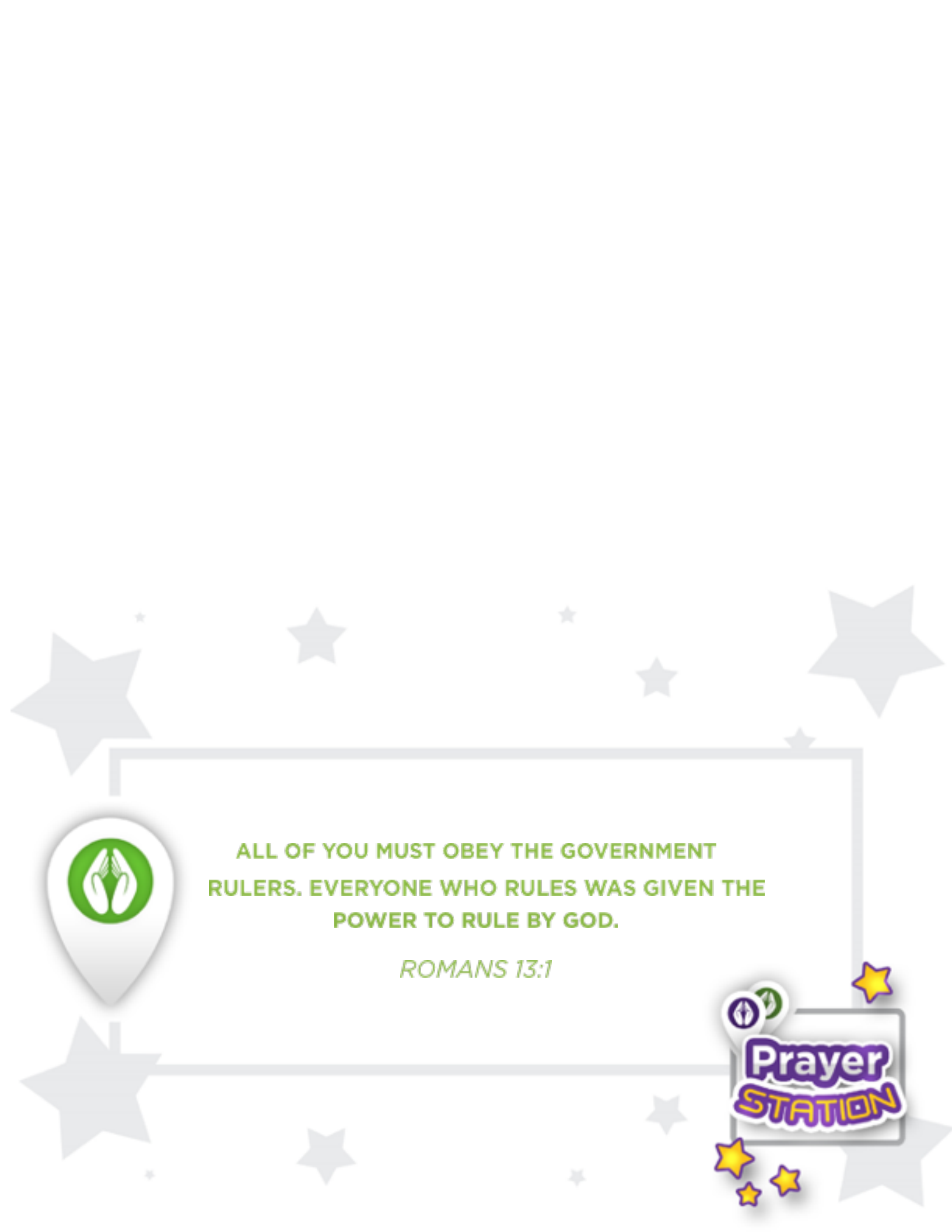
**Prayer**  
**STATION**

The header features the word "Prayer" in a large, purple, outlined font, and "STATION" in a yellow, outlined font below it. To the left of the text are four yellow stars of varying sizes. To the right, a horizontal line connects two circular icons: the top one shows hands in prayer, and the bottom one shows hands clasped. A single yellow star is positioned at the end of this line.



**PRAY FOR OUR  
GOVERNMENT**

The text "PRAY FOR OUR GOVERNMENT" is written in a bold, green, sans-serif font, centered within a white teardrop-shaped icon. The icon is set against a light gray background with a thin white border. The teardrop shape is wider at the top and tapers to a point at the bottom. The hands in prayer icon is green and white.



**ALL OF YOU MUST OBEY THE GOVERNMENT  
RULERS. EVERYONE WHO RULES WAS GIVEN THE  
POWER TO RULE BY GOD.**

*ROMANS 13:1*





## PRAY FOR OUR GOVERNMENT

1. Look at the map of the United States.
2. Imagine God watching over all these people and states that can be so different from each other.
3. Find your city. Put a star on it. Pray for your local leaders to be honest, caring, and hardworking.
4. In your state, place another star. Pray for state workers to be honest, caring and hardworking.
5. Find Washington D.C. Place another star there. Pray for our president, Congress and the Senate to be honest, caring, not all about the money, and wise.