

SCANDAL

“Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.”

–Ephesians 5:11 (NIV)



Most serious political scandals involve cover-ups. It isn't always the misdeed that's the worst, so much as the lying and manipulation of trying to hide it from the public. Cover-ups always try to keep things in darkness, away from the light where people can really see what has happened.

Followers of Jesus ought to hate cover-ups. We're called to be children of the light, avoiding the deeds of darkness. Darkness doesn't push back light; it's simply the absence of light. It's time to shine, church. It's time for the light of Christ to be lived out in our neighborhoods, schools and cities. We don't need to rail against the darkness; we just need to shine. The Light of the world lives within us, and our nation desperately needs His light to shine in every dark corner.

- Ask the Lord to shine through you today so others will see Him in all that you do.
- Pray for an explosion of light in the church that will transform our communities.
- Pray that our leaders in both government and the church understand that they are examples and live up to their responsibilities with godly character.

DAILY PRAYER

Thank You, Light of the World, for coming to live in me. Shine brightly in me today. Forgive me for hiding Your light. Forgive me for the times when I preferred the shadows to the brilliance of Your presence. Shine through Your church in America. Help us to live and to love as You did, so that the darkness in our land will flee and Your light will shine.

PRAY DAILY FOR THESE U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS:

President Barack Obama
Vice President Joe Biden
Attorney General Eric Holder
Chief Justice John Roberts
Justice Samuel Alito
Justice Anthony Kennedy
Justice Elena Kagan
Justice Sonia Sotomayor
Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg
Justice Stephen Breyer
Justice Antonin Scalia
Justice Clarence Thomas