



When we face injustice and violence where do we turn? We turn to God. As your lead pastor of FBC, I invite you to join me in praying this prayer.

God in heaven,

We need you. You are the Almighty God who can turn darkness into light. You are the All-Powerful God who changes history and we ask you ... please change our world, now.

We pray for the family of George Floyd. Please fill their hearts with increased mercy and peace.

We pray for the 4 officers involved in George Floyd's death. They were excessively violent and passive. Please convict their hearts of this sin.

We pray for our mayors. Please give them grit and level-headedness as they respond to violence and riots.

We pray for everyone who is angry and scared. Please show yourself to them as the Prince of Peace, the God of Perfect Justice and the Perfect Comforter.

We pray for our nation. We pray that this dark time will serve 1 purpose – draw people to YOU, the Living, Reigning Savior of the world, Jesus Christ. If you will draw people to Yourself, we will change our behavior and our words, because we will be changed people. Please bring a revival to our nation.

We long to live in a nation where people are loving, understanding, empathetic, truthful, joyful, peaceful, patient, kind, humble and self-controlled. In order to live a nation like this, we need to be changed into people like this. You, and You alone, can do this.

Please, change us.

Please, change our mourning into dancing.

Please, change our hate into empathy.

Please, change our fear into compassion.

Please, change our apathy into love.

You are the only One who can do this.

We long for this.

We ask for this.

We wait with eager anticipation for You, Jesus.

Amen.

-Shawn Peterson