FA27. Praying for Our Brother & Our Neighbor.

We are to pray for our brother and our neighbor.

This precept is derived from His Word (blessed is He):

Key New Testament Scriptures

2 Corinthians 1:11

And you must add your help by praying for us; for the more people there are praying, the more people there will be to give thanks when their prayer for us is answered.

Ephesians 6:17-18

And take the helmet of deliverance; along with the sword given by the Spirit, that is, the Word of God; as you pray at all times, with all kinds of prayers and requests, in the Spirit, vigilantly and persistently, for all God's people.

1 Timothy 2:1

First of all, then, I counsel that petitions, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings be made for all human beings,

Additional New Testament Scriptures

<u>Matthew</u> 5:44 <u>Luke</u> 6:28 <u>Romans</u> 8:26-27, 10:1 <u>Colossians</u> 1:9 <u>James</u> 5:16 <u>1 John</u> 5:16

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Supportive Tanakh Scriptures

1 Samuel 12:23

Sh'mu'el answered the people, "Don't be afraid. You have indeed done all this evil; yet now, just don't turn away from following ADONAI; but serve ADONAI with all your heart. As for me, far

be it from me to sin against ADONAI by ceasing to pray for you! Rather, I will continue instructing you in the good and right way.

Job 42:10

When Iyov prayed for his friends, ADONAI restored his fortunes; ADONAI gave Iyov twice as much as he had had before.

Comment

This *Mitzvah* and the others referenced above are what is known as "intercession." What they have in common is praying for others rather than for ourselves. There are similarities and apparent repetitions among them, but they are individually listed because the verses that support each of them are worded somewhat differently.

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