



**Come to the Light. John 8:12**

## **“Why Catastrophe?”**

**1 Thess. 5:1-11**

**January 24, 2010**

### **Take-Home Points [How to pray for Haiti]**

1. Pray we will give God glory by heeding these warnings of future judgment.
2. Pray our hearts will have pity and compassion on the suffering people of Haiti. And repent if you have a judgmental spirit.
3. Pray for the church there: Pastors are reported dead, church buildings destroyed, and Christians are grieving.
4. Pray that churches will stand firm in “faith, hope, and love” having the testimony the Thessalonians had – sorrow mingled with comfort.
5. Pray the body of Christ will be generous toward the church and Republic of Haiti, helping them in their time of need.
6. Pray God will deliver many from sin and Satan. Over 80 percent have nothing to do with the evangelical church and roughly 50 percent of the people’s religion is voodoo.
7. Pray the city of Port-au-Prince will be rebuilt:  
“Prior to the earthquake Haiti was the poorest country in the Western hemisphere, with 80 percent of people under the poverty line and 54 percent in abject poverty with a Gross Domestic Product per capita of only \$1,300 with two-thirds of the labor force not even having a formal job.”
8. Pray for their government as many of their officials have died and their buildings have been ruined.
9. Pray for the safety of the people with the prospect that dangerous criminals are loose with jails and prisons that have been emptied without police to retain them.
10. Pray for the children in general since they make up roughly half of Haiti’s population.