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How Can God Bless the Unblessed?

"And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he shall minister judgment to the people in uprightness" Psalm 9:8.



"It is righteousness that exalts a nation; a disregard for the law of God will be the ruin of the religious world in the last days of this earth's history" (*Manuscript 101*, 1897).

There is a famous, well-known patriotic song that is played at American sporting events, political rallies and during national holidays and celebrations. The song is basically a prayer and says:

*God bless America, land that I love,
Stand beside her and guide her,
Through the night with a light from above.*

The message for America is that God will most certainly bless us collectively as a nation if only we will acknowledge Him and His Word. If we will only recognize that we have sinned and if we will repent and turn to Him then we will truly be blessed. God is a loving God who is ready to heal us from the condition we are in.

"For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them **that call** upon thee" Psalm 86:5.

All of God's blessing will be poured upon a people who seek forgiveness and a new life of obedience through faith in Jesus Christ. This is the way to peace and quietness for us and for any nation.

"And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance forever" Isaiah 32:17.

But the real question is: Should God bless America? Is our nation in a condition to be blessed? How can God continue to pour out His blessings upon an unrepentant nation that refuses to acknowledge its moral deficiencies? What would that say about the character of a holy, just and perfect God if He ignores the catastrophic sins of our generation and keeps blessing us no matter what we do or how we live? Look at the following American statistics and ask yourself how God can bless a nation that is in the spiritual crisis that we are in? And this is just a short list:

Pornography

- Every second 28,258 users are watching pornography on the internet¹
- Every second \$3,075.64 is being spent on pornography on the internet¹
- Every second 372 people are typing the word "adult" into search engines¹
- 40 million American people regularly visit porn sites¹
- 35% of all internet downloads are related to pornography¹

Crime/Adults

- 15,696 murders (2015), amounting to 43 per day²
- 1.2 million violent crimes reported (2015)³
- 385 mass shootings in 2016⁴
- 2.3 million people currently jailed in America⁵
- Average of 321,500 victims of rape and assault each year⁶
- Every 98 seconds, someone in the U.S. is sexually assaulted⁷

Crime/Children

- One child is abused every 10 seconds and raped every two minutes⁸
- Every 40 seconds, a child goes missing or is abducted (yes, you read that right)⁹
- More than 800,000 children are reported missing each year (2,200 per day)⁹
- Four to seven children die every day as a result of child abuse or neglect¹⁰

Suicide

- 44,193 commit suicide yearly (121 per day)¹¹
- More than one million attempt suicide yearly¹¹

Drug Use

- 24.6 million used an illicit drug (2013, age 12 and older)¹²
- 19.8 million users of marijuana (as of 2013—and 94 million in the U.S. have used it at least once)¹²
- 144 die every day from drug overdose (52,404 cases in 2015)¹³
- 36.5 million Americans smoke (2015)¹⁴
- 15.7 million have Alcohol Use Disorder (2015)¹⁵

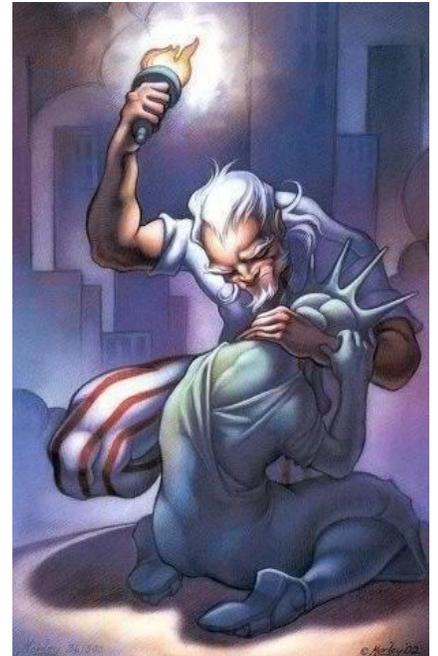
These stats do not include abortion, broken homes, redefining of marriage and numerous other related issues. And many crimes go unreported.

Compounding all this is a shocking new survey¹⁶ that says that only 20% of millennials (those under 30) give any value to church attendance with 35% of young adults being antagonistic towards religion; they are anti-church. The numbers in this survey are truly sobering. This is telling us that an entire generation of young people is basically **spiritually lost**.

America is in a state of crisis as we are losing our Christian religion and identity. The religion of Christ is under assault and we must change our tactics if we hope to stop the freefall. The fate of our country and the world literally hangs in the balance.

When any nation turns away from what God has established to be the foundation for society then the sure result will be an increase in crime, abuse and suffering. God is alive and He is more than willing to give us peace. But peace and prosperity are the natural fruit of harmony with God's plans, laws and character. It is impossible to have God's blessings when we sow discord, selfishness, hatred and lawlessness.

"Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee forever, when thou doest that which is good and right in the sight of the LORD thy God" Deuteronomy 12:28.



Uncle Sam & Lady Liberty Weep!

The Death of Truth & Free Speech

“If the freedom of speech is taken away – then dumb and silent – we may be led like sheep to the slaughter” —George Washington.

Our Constitution, morality and Bible truths are under attack. All across this world, individuals are being subjected to increasing restrictions on freedom of speech. A radical crackdown on truth and morality is being urged by powerful elite groups, politicians and governments while at the same time they are pushing a godless, anti-Christian propaganda.

New proposals are becoming law which are really new steps toward censorship. Alarming new trends are transpiring that will result in the erosion of the rights of all people.

The Canadian House of Commons has passed motion M103 that condemns “Islamaphobia.” This new passage has been characterized by a major Canadian newspaper as a “politically correct mob” that is “trampling free speech.” Any criticism of Islam or their culture can be interpreted as “Islamaphobia” and could soon be prosecuted.¹⁷

French politicians have unveiled a new plan to criminalize websites in France that attempt to discourage women from obtaining abortions. Those who are found guilty face a fine of \$33,650.¹⁸

Germany has declared war on free speech by threatening multi-million dollar fines for social media posts that it considers hate speech.¹⁹ Let us be clear – when these countries say “hate” speech they really mean conservative Christian views. Free speech is coming to an end because governments want to define what hate speech is. No doubt these governments will have to set up some kind of “Ministry of Truth” to determine which speech will be accepted and which will be forbidden.

One of our own universities in Berkeley, California is becoming less and less tolerant of free speech.²⁰



Mark Zuckerberg, creator of FaceBook, is censoring posts on his social network – in other words, inhibiting free speech.²¹

Yes, right here in America, seemingly half of the people in this country would like to pass Marxist laws. There are plenty of activist politicians and judges who care little about our Constitution and would support anti-free, anti-USA, anti-Christian legislation.

But regardless of what the New World Order eventually does, God still tells us to use our divinely appointed right of free speech to preach the gospel and to expose the dangers that are threatening the spiritual lives of the people:

“Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins” Isaiah 58:1.

“Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me” Ezekiel 3:17.

As we offer to the world a sin-pardoning, crucified Savior, we must also warn against the popular, national sins that are corrupting society. This is part of the work of the gospel.

“Those ministers who are men pleasers, who cry, Peace, peace, when God has not spoken peace, might well humble their hearts before God, asking pardon for their insincerity and their lack of moral courage. It is not from love for their neighbor that they smooth down the message entrusted to them, but because they are self-indulgent and ease-loving. True love seeks first the honor of God and the salvation of souls. Those who have this love will not evade the truth to save themselves from the unpleasant results of plain speaking. When souls are in peril, God’s ministers will not consider self, but will speak the word given them to speak, refusing to excuse or palliate evil” (*Prophets and Kings*, 141).

The Bible tells that when God’s truth is suppressed there will be a famine in the land. Truth will frighten because evil men are conspiring to censor the preaching of the word that will set people free. This famine represents an organized effort to restrict and suspend the preaching of truth.

“Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD: and they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the Word of the LORD, and shall not find it” Amos 8:11-12.

In this fearful hour may God’s people understand their responsibility and lift up their voices to encourage the faithful and warn the disobedient. They must use their right of free speech to “reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering” 2 Timothy 4:2. **The time to do this work has fully come.**

**TRUTH
IS THE NEW
HATE SPEECH**

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