# How To Escape God's Judgment of America



## **One Choice and Two Possible Outcomes**



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#### Some Little Known Facts About Modern Versions of the Bible

Modern versions of the Bible come from the Greek text of the 1881 Revised Version of the Bible. The Greek text of the Revised Version was a completely new text that had never existed before. It was compiled by Westcott and Hort beginning in 1870 from many different ancient texts. Westcott and Hort were authorized by the Catholic Church to form a Revised Revision Committee to update the English of the King James Version of the Bible. Rather than using the accepted Greek text of the KJV, they decided to use the Alexandrian Text (also known as Minority Text or Critical Text). The Alexandrian Text is known by this name because it is believed to have originated in Alexandria Egypt. They used several different versions none of which agreed with one and other. Their stated intent was

The Alexandrian Greek texts used by Westcott and Hort are often older than existing copies of the Received Text. Many experts believe these Alexandrian texts to have survived because they were not accepted and used by the Christian Church. On the other hand the Received Text was heavily used and copied and as a result the oldest manuscripts didn't survive. Today there are many people who have to replace their Bible because they wore it out. Now imagine hundreds or thousands of people using the same Bible, it just wouldn't survive.

The Letters of Westcott and Hort were published by their sons. They reveal them to be men of very questionable integrity. In fact, I wouldn't consider them Christians at all. Neither Westcott or Hort believed in the infallibility of scripture. The evidence suggest they believed they knew better than God.

Westcott said that he was a skeptic; he said his faith was weak; and he was plagued with "unbelief". Westcott also didn't believe the creation account in Genesis and said there was no literal heaven.

Hort rejected Jesus' blood atoned for our sins; he called it a "fictitious substitution." He scripture was "perverted" and it was his goal to correct those perversions. He also believed the New Age teaching that man is "divine." He also believed that his changes to scripture would change the Christian Church.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> John Durr, The True and The Corrupt Word of God, 2006 & 2013, AmericasComingJudgment.com

### Introduction

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. (2 Chronicles 7:14)

I believe that God's Grace and Mercy is now being poured out on the United States of America. Right now in 2020 we are living in troubling times. But I believe that God's mercy and grace have have made the difficulties the nation is enduring much less severe. God's mercy and grace is conditional and is not guaranteed to the nation. Which way will the nation turn? The choice is ours to make. One choice leads to mercy and grace and the other to judgment. You and your loved ones can be assured of Go's mercy and grace no matter what the rest of the nation decides. This lesson shows you how to remain under God's mercy and grace at all times.

While I believe that God's Grace and mercy is being poured out on the United States, I also believe his judgment is being prepared to be poured out on those who have secretly been doing evil in the United States. This group of evil people have permeated every conceivable area of our society. They are in Federal, State and Local government. The courts, the military, federal and local law enforcement, media, entertainment, business, banking, education, science, medicine and the church.

I don't just say this lightly; I have spent many thousands of hours studying this topic. I have spent many thousands of hours in prayer. And I have carefully studied God's word.

In 2002 I began writing about how the United States had fulfilled all the descriptions of Babylon as revealed in the Bible. God told me to document the evidence of Americas sins as were revealed in Revelation 17 and 18.

I studied the texts and looked for the hidden and largely undiscovered meaning of the original Greek text. God gave me special and specific insight and understanding of critical texts within Revelation 17 and 18. What the texts revealed were sins which most could not believe or accept about the country they loved.

I found evidence of all these sins. I read hundreds of book, read articles, watched interviews of experts and whistle blowers and went to lectures. Some of the most compelling evidence was collected by professional researchers who searched government archives, presidential libraries and some even got access to family libraries where diaries and letters were archived. I documented everything in a book in 2006 and published it in electronic format. In adition to documenting America's sins, I provided encouraging scripture for the believer.

I made my book available for a donation of any amount even one-penny. I also allowed it to be freely shared. So I don't know how many copies are floating around. I know everyone who contacted me said their lives were changed and they wanted everyone they knew to read the book. I give all the credit to God. God's word reveals that he will ask you to do the impossible and then he will enable you to do it.

The final and most important chapter of my book is a guide on how to repent of the sins of our nation. I followed the example of the Prophet Daniel who repented for the sins of his own nation Israel. And this study includes the original chapter with some updates. I will probably provide more updates an revisions as time permits.

I stated in my book that I didn't think there were enough people in the US who would truly repent and pray so that the Father could bring healing to our land. But I believe he is in the process of bringing

healing now. I saw Hank Kunneman on Sid Roth's "It's Supernatural" on January 17, 2019. I'm not familiar with Hank but what he said seemed to confirm what I had been feeling in my spirit. Hank revealed what God said to him about prayer and healing; the Lord told him: "I'm not listening to the prayers of many because many aren't praying, they are complaining. But I am listening to the prayers of a few and they have caused my hand to come and bring healing on this land."<sup>2</sup>

many years before Donald Trump decided to run for president, God revealed to many men of God that he had chosen Donald Trump to be president of the United States. Most notable among these are Mark Taylor<sup>3</sup> and Kim Clement<sup>4</sup>. These prophecies have been proven to be true but they have only been fulfilled in part at the time I am writing which is August 1, 2020.

The prophecies reveal that God would show grace and mercy on the United States through president Donald Trump and that he would use President Trump as an instrument of judgment upon the evil within the United States. Donald Trump as an instrument of justice is now in process but the final fulfillment of the Trump Prophecies has not been completed.

When God reveals the future through prophecy, it is the probable future. When God reveals judgment, he is looking for us to repent so that he revert the judgment and heal our land. When God reveals that he is pouring mercy and grace upon us, he is looking for us to repent as well, to believe and to have faith so that he can fulfill his mercy and grace. In either case, the prophecies are dependent on how we respond.

Ultimately, whether God pours out mercy and grace or judgment, he protects his faithful followers. God protection can be poured out on nations or individuals. When God puts his blanket of protection upon a nation, the wicked are blessed along with the righteous. When God judges a nation, he protects his righteous servants. In either case, the faithful servants of God escape God's judgment. Although that doesn't mean that escape hardship. The word of God states:

Then hear thou in heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness. (1 Kings 8:32)

Run ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be any that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it. (Jeremiah 5:1)

4 And the Lord said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof. 5 And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: 6 Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house. (Ezekiel 9:4-6)

I am confident that if you are reading this, you desire God's mercy and grace. If God decides that the United States is not worthy of his mercy and grace, you want his mercy and to be upon you and your

4 Kim Clement Youtube Channel: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBxW6DP4miw3NnMitLrE0Dw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBxW6DP4miw3NnMitLrE0Dw</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sid Roth's It's Supernatural, January 17, 2019. The Episode was entitled: 2019 Prophetic Outlook LIVE! | Hank Kunneman, Cindy Jacobs & Larry Sparks <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?">https://www.youtube.com/watch?</a> v=012PVv3FblE&index=21&list=LLVAsMBtEYO44rXud7T7Wk w&t=1332s

Mark Taylor, Trump Prophecies: <a href="https://sordrescue.com/">https://sordrescue.com/</a>

loved ones. Read and put the following study into practice. I apologize that the prayer of repentance in this study may have left out some of America's sins. But I have included a more exhaustive list of sins in the Curse Breaking Decree in the appendix.

The prayer of repentance and curse breaking decree in this study should not be a one time event in your life. You should do it at regular interval as the Holy Spirit leads you. Additionally, when you learn new disgusting truths about the United States and what our leaders have been doing, you should repent of these new disgusting sins and let God know that you want no part of them and you want to be free of these sins.

You most probably won't have knowledge of some of the particular sins listed in this study and you may not even believe it is possible those have been committed in our nation. If you agree that it sinful, evil and disgusting and that you want no part of it, you should repent anyway. When you repent even without knowledge of the actual sin, you are telling God you agree his law is good and you want no part of that sin and that if it exists, you want it cleansed from you.

Bless others that you know and love by sharing this with the. It will also be a blessing to our nation.

## God's Mercy and Grace on Repentant Nation

There are many in our lives who judge us this includes: parents, family members, friends, teachers, employers, courts and much more. We have all experienced judgments and accusations which were not true. While man's judgments are not always just, we don't have to worry about that with God. Thankfully, God is a righteous judge. The Righteous should not fear the judgment of God. When God judges the righteous, it is a good thing for in his judgment he finds them righteous. God's judgment of the wicked is all together different, it is to be avoided at all costs.

Below are some Bible texts which demonstrate that God differentiates between the righteous and unrighteous when he judges a nation:

The Lord shall judge the people: judge me, O Lord, according to my righteousness, and according to mine integrity that is in me. Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins. My defence is of God, which saveth the upright in heart. God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry with the wicked every day. (Psalm 7:8-11)

That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? And the Lord said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes.... And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy it for ten's sake. (Genesis 18:25-26 & 32)

If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that the judges may judge them; then **they shall justify the righteous**, and **condemn the wicked**. (Deuteronomy 25:1)

Then hear thou in heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness. (1 Kings 8:32)

And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly; (2 Peter 2:6)

Therefore saith the Lord, the Lord of hosts, the mighty One of Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine enemies: And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross, and take away all thy tin: And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: afterward thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city. **Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and her converts with righteousness.** And the destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners shall be together, and they that forsake the Lord shall be consumed. (Isaiah 1:24-27)

**10** Say ye to the righteous, that it shall be well with him: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. **11** Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him. (Isaiah 3:10-11)

Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine,

and men of strength to mingle strong drink: Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him! Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have cast away the law of the Lord of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel. (Isaiah 5:20-24)

Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the Lord; and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the Lord, and I will not keep anger for ever. Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the Lord thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the Lord. Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion: And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding. And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the Lord, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the Lord: neither shall it come to mind: neither shall they remember it; neither shall they visit it; neither shall that be done any more. At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the imagination of their evil heart. In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the north to the land that I have given for an inheritance unto your fathers. (Jeremiah 3:12-18)

If thou wilt return, O Israel, saith the Lord, return unto me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remove. **2** And thou shalt swear, The Lord liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory. (Jeremiah 4:1-2)

Run ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be any that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it. (Jeremiah 5:1)

Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place. Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the Lord, The temple of the Lord, are these. For if ye throughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye throughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour; If ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your hurt: Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, for ever and ever. (Jeremiah 7:3-7)

But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that **I** am the Lord which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the Lord. (Jerimiah 9:24)

Scripture shows the US will turn back to evil...

Israel had a mix of righteous and unrighteous kings after it split into the northern and southern kingdoms. Sadly, the unrighteous kings far outnumbered the righteous. In my mind, King Josiah is the most notable of these kings. You couldn't ask much more than to be remembered as he is. The Bible records King Josiah "did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, and walked in all the way of David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left." (2 Kings 22:1-2) During Josiah's

reign Judah "departed not from following the Lord, the God of their fathers." (2 Chronicles 34:33)

Despite Josiah's righteous reign, Judah came under the judgment of God just 22.5 years after the death of King Josiah. Judah was besieged and defeated by Babylon.

Will the United States of America suffer a similar fate as Judah? It is up to each of us to do our part, to repent and live righteously. Even if the United States should fall in the future, each of us has the choice of remaining under God's mercy and grace.

The following lesson shows you how to repent of the sins of your nation, it is based on the example of the Prophet Daniel.

## **Chapter 21**

## **How To Escape God's Judgment of America**

And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.

Revelation 18:1-6

Our loving Father in heaven is calling his people to come out of Babylon so that they can be spared from the judgment to come upon her. But what does come out mean? Is God asking his people, all 247 million who call themselves Christians, to move out of America? This can be easily discerned by understanding the purpose of God's judgment. There are two kinds of judgment. There are judgments designed to bring repentance and there is wrath designed to bring an end to sin when a nation or people have reached the end of their probation. Escaping God's judgment is not a matter of where you are physically but where you are spiritually! God is calling Americans to repent and he is calling them to accept the sacrifice of his son and to be righteousness and holy because His judgment does not fall on those who have truly repented of their sins and who live righteous and holy lives.

We need to repent both of our own sins and the sins of our nation. By repenting of the sins of our nation we separate ourselves from Babylon's wicked and sinful actions. We essentially come out of Babylon by coming out of her mindset; we no longer endorse or support her sinful activities. We need to repent of breaking God's Commandments. We need to repent of accepting and practicing false religions and occult activities. We need to repent of our ungodly and outright satanic entertainment. We need to repent of abortion within our own nation and the promotion and financing of abortion around the world. We need to repent of US activities in support of a one-world government and a one-world religion. We need to repent of how Babylon has deceived the world through sorcery; of foreign aid programs designed to impoverish the third world; of covert population control programs; of covert military and CIA actions against other nations; of US profiteering from World War I; of US aid to Hitler; and of the United States' contribution to the rise of communism.

Let us be holy and righteous. Let us be doers of the word. Let us be separate from the world, its sinful ways and the sinful ways of Babylon. As the Apostle Paul stated to the Corinthians:

O ye Corinthians, our mouth is open unto you, our heart is enlarged. Ye are not straitened in us, but ye are straitened in your own bowels [heart]. Now for a recompence

in the same, (I speak as unto my children,) be ye also enlarged. Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. (2 Corinthians 6:11-18)

#### God's Love

God is love (1 John 4:8, 16). Everything that God does is because He loves us and wants us to spend eternity with Him in a sinless heavenly kingdom where there is no sickness, no crime, no hatred of any kind and no death. It is a kingdom of eternal peace and happiness! Everyone you meet will be loving and kind. There will be no fear or sorrow of any kind.

"God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." (John 3:16-18)

God loves us so much that he sent His only Son Jesus Christ to suffer and die for our sins so that we might have eternal life. Jesus Christ loves us with the same intensity. Jesus was not forced or ordered to come and suffer and die for us but rather, he willing laid down His life for us (John 10:15, 17; and 1 John 3:16).

God is not the author of sin, suffering and death; it is the devil who brought sin and death into the world (1 John 3:8). It is Satan who has the power of death, not God but God destroyed Satans power with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ (Hebrews 2:14). It is Satan who seeks to destroy us. Peter writes: "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:" (1 Peter 5:8) But because of His love for us, God will bring sin and Satan's reign of terror to an end. Satan will be cast into the lake of fire. God will also cast all those who follow Satan, all who love sin and who are rebellious into the lake of fire with Satan. When Satan and all his followers are burned up, there will be no more sin (Revelation 20:10-15).

God will bestow honor and glory upon His redeemed. This glory and honor will not be for anything we have done but for what He and His Son Jesus Christ has done for us. We shall be as angels (Matthew 22:30). We shall judge angels (1 Corinthians 6:3). Jesus who is God, will call us His brethren (Matthew 12:49-50 and Hebrews 2:11). Did you get that? God shall call us His brothers and sisters. And we shall be made kings (Revelation 1:6 and 5:10) and shall live in mansions more glorious than anything existing on earth (John 14:2).

#### God's Wrath

Historically God's wrath has been poured out many times. The Bible shows us that it was poured out on the inhabitants of earth at the time of the flood, on Sodom and Gomorrah, and on the Hittites, Girgashites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites, Jebusites, and Moabits when Israel came into the land God gave to Abraham. God's wrath was poured out on these people because they were sinful and rebellious and refused to repent.

Of the people of Noah's day: "GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually." (Genesis 6:5)<sup>ii</sup> God said that the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah was "very grievous" and that their was a great outcry against them (Genesis 18:20).<sup>iii</sup>

In the case of the Amorites, and other gentile nations in the land of Israel, God gave them 400 years of probation during which time he sent his own people into captivity in Egypt (Geneses 15:13-16). When their cup of iniquity was filled up, God sent Israel to bring judgment upon them (Deuteronomy 7:1-2).

The Amorites and other gentile nations were engaged in the same sins we see in America today. They were engaged in occult activities such as witchcraft, sorcery ("a wizard"), the use of magic ("a charmer"), the use of charms ("an enchanter"), they were using fortunetellers and psychics ("divination"), astrology ("an observer of times") and channeling ("a consulter with familiar spirits"). They were also sacrificing their sons and daughters in the fire which is no different than abortion. God said that all these activities were an abomination and for these abominable sins he destroyed these nations. God declared to Israel:

When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do. (Deuteronomy 18:9-14)<sup>iv</sup>

But Israel did not obey God and they became like the Amorites and other gentile nations before them. Under the reign of King Manasseh, the sin of Judah was worse than that of the heathen which God had judged of the land of Canaan (2 Chronicles 33:9). The wickedness and iniquity of the Canaanites and Israel included all of that which God hates. Many of these sins are popular today; they include:

- False Religion—worshiping other gods, worshiping idols, worshiping nature, worshiping Satan, the occult, human and child sacrifice.
- **The Occult**—satanism, witchcraft, wizardry, sorcery, spell casting, magic, fortune telling, astrology, charms (such as good luck), necromancy, human sacrifice and more.
- **Sexual Iniquity**—fornication, adultery, homosexuality, lesbianism, pedophilia, human and child trafficking, incest, beastiality, etc.
- Other sins—murder, violence, theft, hatred, envying, lying, gossiping, drunkenness, disobeying parents, not honoring contracts, pride, etc. v

The sins of Israel provoked God to anger (2 Kings17:17 & 21:6). For their sins and for their failure to keep their covenant with God, a Holy and just God kept his promise and repeatedly brought judgment upon Israel. God used a multitude of judgments. These included drought, famine, plague and war. God used the heathen nations around Israel to repeatedly execute his judgment; he used the Philistines, Syrians, Assyrians, Babylonians, and Romans among others. The Psalmist writes concerning Israel's repeated sin and judgment:

They did not destroy the nations, concerning whom the LORD commanded them: But were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works. And they served their idols: which were a snare unto them. Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto devils, And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and the land was polluted with blood. Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring with their own inventions. Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kindled against his people, insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance. And he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over them. Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under their hand. Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked him with their counsel, and were brought low for their iniquity. (Psalm 106:34-43)

#### A Sinful America

The vast majority of Christians in America are not much different than the world or from ancient Israel, they are sinful, rebellious and have embraced false religions. In America, the vast majority of the population, 85 percent, identifies themselves as Christians but their actions and beliefs don't match-up with the teachings of Jesus Christ. The US is at or near the top in rates of abortions, divorces, and unwed births and we lead the industrialized world in murder, rape, and violent crime. The religious beliefs of US Christians fall far short of the teachings of Jesus Christ as well.

#### **False Religious Beliefs Among Americans**

Jesus said "If you love me, keep my commandments." (John 14:15) And the Apostle Paul wrote to Timothy: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works." (2 Timothy 3:16-4:1) But 85% of Americans say there is no such thing as "absolute moral truth". That is to say they don't believe in the Ten Commandments or the authority of scripture. When specifically asked if they believed in all 10 of the Ten Commandments, only 13% of Americans said yes. That means 87% of Americans don't believe in all ten of the commandments. 89% of Americans surveyed thought that you could violate one of God's Ten Commandments without committing a sin. 'iii' According to George Barna, Jr.: "When people are looking at scripture, it's another book that they can pull off the shelf and get some helpful ideas from."

The fact that Americans have abandoned the authority of scripture shows up in other areas of their beliefs. More than 54% of Americans no longer believe in salvation by faith in Jesus Christ but instead believe that they can earn their salvation. Born-again Christians hold to this belief as well although at a lesser rate of 33%. One survey found that nearly 80% of the members of four mainline Protestant denominations believed that salvation could be earned. Xi

Still more shocking, a survey conducted by Barna Research found that 26% of born-again believers *don't believe* it matters what religion you belong to our practice. Sociologist W.C. Roof found the percentage of American Christians holding this belief to be nearly twice as high. He says, "nearly half of America's most conservative born-again Christians said all religions were 'equally true.'" These abominations are totally contrary to scripture. Why would Jesus come and die if their was another way?

Further, according to Barna Research, forty-two percent (42%) of Americans believe Jesus was a sinner, and 39% *don't* believe that he rose from the dead. Astoundingly, even among born-again Christians, 35% *don't* believe Jesus rose from the dead. While the word of God teaches that all Christians receive the Holy Spirit and that this Spirit of God guides us and gives us understanding of

His word, 61% of Americans don't believe the Holy Spirit is real. \*\*The surveys that uncovered these shocking beliefs were conducted even before the abominable *Da Vinci Code* was published.

#### Sexual Sin In America

In the fourth commandment God orders us not to commit adultery (Exodus 20:14) and Jesus taught that adultery and fornication were evil. (Matthew 15:19) Fornication is a broader term than adultery. It includes both sex before marriage, adultery, homosexuality, lesbianism and other sexual sins.<sup>5</sup> The Apostle Paul teaches us to flee fornication (1 Corinthians 6:18). He further writes: "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.(1 Corinthians 6:9-10)

Many modern translations translate the Greek word from which "effeminate" originates as a male or boy prostitute. This is a more accurate translation. Many modern translations also translate the Greek word from which "abusers of themselves with mankind" originates as sodomite or homosexual. This also is a more accurate translation. This makes it clear that unrepentant homosexuals shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

While God and His word are clear about the consequences of sexual sin, Americans are divided on the matter. The majority of Americans are at opposition to the word of God in both their beliefs and actions. A May 2001 Gallup poll showed that 60 percent of Americans found nothing wrong with premarital sex and among young adults that figure was 67 percent. \*\* As a result of these beliefs, in 2002—9.7 million men and women were living together without being married. \*\* In 1994, more than 50 percent of American households involved couples living together outside of marriage. \*\* By the time a woman reaches age thirty, 50% have lived with a man outside of marriage. \*\* As a result of all the sex out of marriage, twenty-three percent (23%) of US families are headed by an adult that has never been married. \*\*

Of those who have made a commitment of marriage, one third admit to having had an affair. \*\* More would have had an affair, over 53%, if they just had a chance. \*\*xi Divorce is rampant in the US; the divorce rate has hovered around 50% for the past 30 years and fifty-eight percent (58%) of divorces are the result of adultery. \*\*xxii\*

Thirty percent of Americans approve of homosexuality and lesbianism. And 20% of Americans are infected with an incurable sexually transmitted disease. xxiii

#### **Other Sins**

Forty-five percent of Americans approve of abortion. Ninety-one percent of Americans admit to lying regularly. \*xxiv\* Americans consume 50% of the world's illegal drugs. \*xxv\* The crime rate is up 800% since 1962. \*xxvi\* A higher percentage of Americans are in jail than anywhere else in the world, 1 out of every 270 Americans. \*xxvii\* This is in spite of the fact that many convicted criminals go free. "[C]ompared to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Fornication" comes from the Greek word "porneia." It occurs 26 times in the New Testament. The Enhanced Strong's Lexicon defines "porneia." as follows "1 illicit sexual intercourse. 1A adultery, fornication, homosexuality, lesbianism, intercourse with animals etc. 1B sexual intercourse with close relatives; Lev. 18. 1C sexual intercourse with a divorced man or woman; Mk. 10:11,12. 2 metaph. the worship of idols. 2A of the defilement of idolatry, as incurred by eating the sacrifices offered to idols."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> "Effeminate" comes from the Greek word "*malakos*" which the Enhanced Strong's Lexicon defines as "a male prostitute."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> "Abusers of themselves with mankind" comes from the Greek word "*arsenokoites*" which the Enhanced Strong's Lexicon defines as a sodomite or homosexual.

Japan, a person in the U.S. is six times more likely to be burglarized, 10 times more likely to be murdered and 208 times more likely to be robbed."xxviii

America is simply a nation of sinners!

#### God's Call

God isn't calling a sinful and rebellious people who have embraced false teachings and false religions to escape his judgment. God is calling his people to repentance, to accept the sacrifice of His son Jesus Christ, to separate themselves from the sin, rebellion and the false religions of Babylon; he is calling us to be righteous and holy. If we do these things we can escape the coming judgment of God.

#### The Law Is Good And Holy

"[T]he law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good." (Romans 7:12)<sup>xxix</sup> The law is meant to protect us. None of us want to be murdered, we don't want to be beaten, we don't want to be burglarized, we don't want to be lied to and cheated, we don't want our children sexually abused, we don't want our wives or husbands stolen and we don't want our families broken up.

Our loving Father gave us the law to protect us not to restrict us. We all want love, health and happiness. These are destroyed through breaking the law. Our Father in heaven gave us the law because of the sinful nature we inherited from Adam and Eve. This sinful nature keeps us from discerning between good and evil. The Apostle Paul writes: "the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners." (1 Titus 1:9) We don't naturally see what is wrong with the occult, other religions, and homosexuality so the law tells us. Once the law has informed us of our sin, we can confess our sin, repent, and stop sinning. Our heavenly Father offers us grace and mercy through His Son Jesus Christ; He forgives our sins. Through this forgiveness, grace and mercy, we can avoid the consequences of our sins which is everlasting damnation. Paul further writes:

What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet. But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin was dead. For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died. And the commandment, which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death. For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me. Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good. Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful. (Romans 7:7-13).

The law that was meant to protect us condemns us because we have failed to keep it. But in its goodness, it shows us that we have been condemned and are in need of a Saviour, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) "The soul that sinneth, it shall die." (Ezekiel 18:20) Without a redeemer, this sin brings upon us the everlasting judgment of God: "unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile;...(For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified." (Romans 2:8-9, 13)<sup>xxx</sup>

#### Jesus Christ Our Saviour

We receive the grace of Jesus Christ through faith and this faith includes believing who He was and what He did. Jesus was the Son of God. XXXII Jesus is God. XXXII Jesus, the Father and the Holy Spirit are one (1 John 5:7). Jesus Christ is the creator (John 1:1-3, 14)XXXIII and as our loving creator he humbled himself and became man. He was born of a virgin (Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:27-35). He lived a sinless life (Hebrews 4:15; 9:28; 2 Corinthians 5:21). Jesus remained perfectly within the Father's will. XXXIIV He is the only righteous person to have lived on the earth (1 John 2:1-2; Revelation 16:4-5; and Romans 3:10-18); all others can only obtain righteousness through Him (Romans 5:16-21; 1 John 1:6-10). He was crucified and died as an atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world XXXIV and then raised from the dead XXXIV that we might receive his righteousness through grace and live an everlasting life in a joy filled and sinless heavenly kingdom. XXXIV Jesus Christ is perfect in wisdom and knowledge and knows all things before they even come to pass. XXXVIII We read in Hebrews:

But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that **he by the grace of God should taste death for every man**. For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in **bringing many sons unto glory**, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren, Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee. And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given me.

Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that **through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;** And **deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage**. For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham. Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted. (Hebrews 2:9-18)

Jesus died for us that through the grace of God we should experience His righteousness and eternal life. It is a mystery of how through His death and resurrection, His righteousness could be imputed to us. When we accept Jesus Christ as our savior, His perfect sinless character is imputed to us. God looks at us as if we lived the life of Jesus Christ. What a marvelous gift! God has predestined each of us to receive this marvelous gift and that we should be "the praise of his glory" as is recorded in Ephesians below:

To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel

of his own will: That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory. (Ephesians 1:6-14)

God made His choice, He chose to redeem us! While God made His choice and has predestined each of us to receive salvation through Jesus Christ, we must make a our own choice to accept this predestination. God has given us the choice. He made this choice clear to the Israelites and he told them that they had a choice between "life and good, and death and evil." He begged them to "choose life" but he left the choice to them:

See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil; In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it. But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it. I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days... (Deuteronomy 30:15-20)

Joshua made a plea with the people of Israel to make a choice as well, a choice between serving the true God of heaven or false gods created by men: "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." (Joshua 24:15) Although we have all been predestined to receive the righteousness of Jesus Christ through grace, we must make a choice to walk in this predestination.

Many people have been predestined to walk in career paths established by their father. Fathers often graciously offer their sons and or daughters college educations, positions in their companies, law partnerships, medical partnerships and such. These are often not opportunities based on merit but on the relationship they have with their father. Despite these guaranteed positions, sons and daughters frequently don't take their father up on the offer. Because of their choice, their predestined position goes unfulfilled. It is the same with the saving grace of Jesus Christ. If we do not accept the saving grace of Jesus Christ on His terms, our predestined eternal salvation will go unfulfilled. In Paul's letter to Titus we read:

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, **Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world**; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. (Titus 2:11-14)

For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. But after

that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that **they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works**. These things are good and profitable unto men. (Titus 3:2-8)

Many want the saving grace of Jesus Christ but they mistakenly view it at a license to sin. It is quite the opposite. As we have seen above, God is calling us to be godly and righteous, to deny "ungodliness and worldly lusts" and to do good works. In order to walk in this new godly way of life which we are being called to, we must repent of our sins.

#### Repent

According to Webster's, repentance involves both regret and the turning away from sin and the dedication of "oneself to the amendment of ones life." If one has regret but makes no effort to change their life, they have not repented. If one changes his life but has no regret, one has not truly repented either. One must both regret and make an effort to change ones life. This does not mean that we will be totally successful in our own strength. Rather, it means that we have the desire and a sincere effort. Only in Christ can we be totally successful, for in God "all things are possible." (Matthew 19:26; and Mark 9:23)

John the baptist preached repentance in preparation of the ministry of Jesus. xxxix Jesus preached repentance and declared that the kingdom of God was at hand throughout his ministry (Matthew 4:19 and Mark 1:14-15). Jesus declared that His call for repentance was meant for sinners (Matthew 9:13; Mark 2:17 and Luke 5:32). Jesus said that a person who did not repent would perish (Luke 3:3, 5). Jesus instructed his disciples that repentance should be preached throughout the whole world (Luke 24:47). In accordance with the commands of Jesus, the disciple preached repentance (Mark 6:12).xl

True and sincere repentance is a condition that is necessary for forgiveness of sins and eternal salvation. "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord" (Acts 3:19). Paul writes: "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." (2 Corinthians 7:10)

#### **Be Ye Perfect**

True repentance involves both a desire and an attempt to be perfect. Jesus commanded: "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." (Mt 5:48-6:1) James writes: "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." (James 1:22)

The word of God instructs us as believers in Christ Jesus to be "therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour." (Ephesians 5:1-2) We are to be "all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:" (1 Peter 3:8) We are to come out from among unbelievers and be separate (2 Corinthians 6:16-17); we are not to be "unequally yoked together with unbelievers" (2 Corinthians 6:14) and we are not to forsake "the assembling of ourselves together" to worship and praise our savior and God (Hebrews 10:25).

We are to be "kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven" us (Ephesians 4:32). We are to be "holy in all manner of conversation." (1 Peter 1:15-

16) We are to be merciful (Luke 6:36), patient (James 5:8), angry but without sin (Ephesians 4:26). Children are to obey their parents. Men are to love their wives as their selves which is to say that they are to put the well being of their wife ahead of their own. And wives are to submit their selves to their husbands as unto the Lord (Colossians 3:18-20).

The Apostle Peter says that "the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer." (1 Peter 4:7) In like manner, our Lord Jesus Christ instructs: "Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not." (Luke 12:40) The Apostle Paul further instructs:

Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. Neither be ye idolaters, as *were* some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. (1 Corinthians 10:6-10)

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. (Colossians 3:12-17)

Being perfect involves keeping God's commandments. Jesus instructed us: "If ye love me, keep my commandments.... He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him." (John 14:15, 21) "If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full." (John 15:10-11)

#### The Commandments of God

God spoke the Ten Commandments to Moses and later God permanently engraved them in stone with His own finger. The Ten Commandments are unending, they are an expression of the Holiness of God and they are meant to protect us. Jesus said: "verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle [punctuation mark] shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:18-19)

Since heaven and earth have not passed away, neither has the law of God. But since heaven shall never pass away, neither will the law ever pass away. Lets take a look at God's Ten Commandments which are found in Exodus 20.

- 1. "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." (Exodus 20:3)
- 2. "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou

shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments." (Ex 20:4-6)

- 3. "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain." (Ex 20:7)
- 4. "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it." (Ex 20:8-11)
- 5. "Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee." (Ex 20:12)
- 6. "Thou shalt not kill." (Ex 20:13)
- 7. "Thou shalt not commit adultery." (Ex 20:14)
- 8. "Thou shalt not steal." (Ex 20:15)
- 9. "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour." (Ex 20:16)
- 10. "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's." (Ex 20:17)

The books of Exodus, Leviticus and Deuteronomy give deeper instruction in God's law. These books give deeper instruction in many areas including what limitations God has placed on the sexual behavior of men and women. In Leviticus 18:20 we are instructed that homosexuality is a sin (see also Romans 1:26-32 and 1 Corinthians 6:9-11). These books also condemn all occult practices such as witchcraft, wizardry, sorcery, spell casting, magic, fortune telling, astrology, charms (such as good luck) channeling and necromancy (Deuteronomy 18:9-14). xli

God promises that when we come into a covenant relationship with Him, He will place his law in our heart and minds. King David writes: "I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart." (Psalm 40:8) Paul writes: "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more." (Hebrews 10:16-17) Under the New Covenant Jesus taught us that the law covers not only our actions but our thoughts and desires. He stated:

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, [a term used to demean or insult another] shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.... Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath

committed adultery with her already in his heart. (Matthew 5:21-22 and 27-28)

Paul also instructs us that we are not to be "conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." (Romans 12:2) The renewing of our mind comes from the study of God's word. The study of God's word also builds our faith (Romans 10:17).

Don't be ashamed for not having maintained God's standards. We have all "sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) This is our lot as humans living in a sinful world but that is why we have a savior. The law points out our sin and shows us that we are in need of a savior. We cannot be saved by keeping the law because we have already broke it: "by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin." (Romans 3:20; see also Galatians 2:16 and 3:11) While we are sinners, we are "justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:" (Romans 3:24)

All sinners are freely justified and redeemed through the shed blood of Jesus Christ when they humbly come before him in confession and repentance. There is no sin unknown to God. There is no sin too big. Jesus even asked His Father to forgive those who crucified Him. I can't think of any sin greater than crucifying God!

The Apostle John says it like this:

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. (1 John 1:6-10)

#### The Righteous

If you are righteous, you will have the desires of a righteous person. "The desire of the righteous is only good: but the expectation of the wicked is wrath." (Proverbs 11:23) The righteous are the delight of the LORD and He "heareth the prayer of the righteous." (Proverbs 15:29) "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." (James 5:16) The "righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance" before the Lord God of heaven. (Psalm 112:6) The "righteous is an everlasting foundation." (Proverbs 10:25) The righteous shall be spared from the judgment of the wicked. Jesus states:

The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear. (Matthew 13:41-43)

#### Who Is Righteous

Jesus Christ is the only righteous person to have lived on the earth (1 John 2:1-2; and Revelation 16:4-5). Paul writes: "There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one." (Romans 3:10-12)

Since we are all unrighteous, we have only one option if we want to be righteous; we must be born again into Christ's righteousness. John writes: "If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one

that doeth righteousness is born of him." (1 John 2:29) Paul explains it further:

For if through the offence of one [Adam] many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many. And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification. For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous. Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. (Romans 5:16-21)

We have just learned the most important elements in being saved from the coming judgment of God upon America. We must accept God's law as holy just and true. We must confess our sins, and repent. We must accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and savior and then the word of God tells us to be baptized and born again. For God hath not appointed us [the righteous] to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thessalonians 5:9). It is the wicked who are appointed to God's judgment and wrath.

#### The Wicked

The "expectation of the wicked is wrath." (Proverbs 11:23) The LORD is far from the wicked." (Proverbs 15:29) The "face of the Lord is against them that do evil." (1 Peter 3:12) "As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more." (Proverbs 10:25) The wicked and unrighteous shall have no part in the kingdom of God but shall experience tribulation and wrath. Paul writes:

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God." (1 Corinthians 6:9-10)

Now the works of the flesh [wicked and unrighteous] are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. (Galatians 5:19-21)

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; 19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. 20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: 21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, 23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds,

and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. 24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: 25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. 26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: 27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; 29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: 32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them. (Romans 1:18-

...unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile. (Romans 2:8-9)

And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: *Even him*, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness. (2 Thessalonians 2:8-12)

#### **God's Protection And Provision**

God protects and provides for his faithful followers. God will warn and protect his people if they will listen. He also honors their faith. Noah and his wife and children were protected in the Ark during the flood (Genesis 7 and 8). Lot, his wife and daughters were escorted by Angels out of Sodom before its destruction (Genesis 19). Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego were saved by God when they refused to worship King Nebuchadnezzar's golden image and the king ordered them thrown into the fiery furnace. They were not injured in the slightest and there was not even the smell of smoke on their garments (Daniel 3:8-25). Daniel was protected by God after being thrown in the lion's den. He was thrown in the lions den because the king had made prayer to God illegal. Daniel remained faithful to God, he continued to pray and God protected him (Daniel 6). The nation of Israel was repeatedly protected by God beginning with the parting of the Red Sea (Exodus14) and followed by many miraculous defeats of their enemies. And Christians were given instructions by Jesus to flee Jerusalem when it was surrounded by armies. Those who obeyed were saved from the eventual destruction by the Romans in 70 AD.

God continued to warn his people right up to the destruction of Jerusalem. "At the start of the revolt [against the Romans], the leaders of the Jerusalem church were advised in a vision to flee the city." Josephus writes that Jewish prophets had also prophesied that the destruction of Jerusalem and the

temple would occur when the temple became foursquare. The destruction occurred shortly after the tower of Antonia was demolished and the temple was made foursquare.xiv What a wonderful God!

God provided for Israel while they were in the desert. God sent Manna from heaven to fed the nation (Exodus 16:14-35) and he quenched their thirst by providing water from a rock (Exodus 17:3-7). The Prophet Elijah was fed by Ravens while hiding by the Brook Cherith (1 Kings 17:1-6). Elijah and the widow of Zarephath were miraculously provided flour and oil during a time of famine (1 Kings 17:8-16). And Jesus fed the multitude by multiplying five barley loaves, and two small fishes (John 6:5-13). xivi

These things were recorded as examples of God's protection and provision. They show us that we can trust and believe that God will protect and provide for us in a time of peril. Paul writes: "Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." (1 Corinthians 10:11)

We are the people on whom the end of the world has come. God will provide food and water for His faithful followers who refuse the mark-of-the-beast. He will also provide protection.

#### **God's Promise For Protection**

God's promises for protection are extremely important because we cannot depend upon man. The Psalmist writes: "Give us help from trouble: for vain is the help of man. Through God we shall do valiantly: for he it is that shall tread down our enemies" (Psalm 108:12-13). "When I cry unto thee, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God is for me." (Psalm 56:9) "For he hath delivered me out of all trouble: and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies" (Psalm 54:7). "I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble" (Psalm 59:2). "Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me" (Psalm 138:7). "[T]he salvation of the righteous is of the LORD: he is their strength in the time of trouble. And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him" (Psalm 37:39-40).

Our Lord God says: "call upon me in the day of trouble: I [the Lord] will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me" (Psalm 50:15). His promises are true; "The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked cometh in his stead" (Proverbs 11:8). "For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock" (Psalm 27:5). O Lord God "Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance" (Psalm 32:7). "The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them" (Psalm 34:7). When God's faithful believed His promises and trusted in him, "they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them out of their distresses" (Psalm 107:13).

In Psalm 91 we read one of God's most prolific promises for protection:

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only

with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation. (Psalm 91)

#### **God's Promise For Provision**

God hath called us from among all men, and said unto us, "Thou art my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away." Do not fear for I am with you: be not distressed; for I am your God: "I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness." (Isaiah 41:9-10) And I the Lord God "shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19) Therefore, do not despair or worry about tomorrow: tomorrow shall take care of itself. Today's trouble is enough for today. (Matthew 6:34) "And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind." (Luke 12:29)

Jesus made it quite clear that He shall supply all our needs if we first seek the kingdom of God. He said:

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. (Matthew 6:25-34; see also Luke 12:22-31)

#### **God's Promise To Answer Prayer**

It was the custom of Jesus to often go into the wilderness to pray. xlvii Before important events or decisions, Jesus always prayed. He fasted and prayed before being tempted in the wilderness (Matthew 4:1-11). Jesus prayed all night before selecting His twelve Apostles (Luke 6:12-13). Jesus prayed for His followers (John 17:1-26). And Jesus prayed for strength before being crucified. xlviii

Jesus counseled us to pray without ceasing. \*\*He said: "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man." (Luke 21:36) Our prayer are not in vain; James writes that "The effectual fervent prayer of a

righteous man availeth much." (James 5:16)

Jesus instructed His disciples how to pray; He said:

And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him. (Mt 6:5-8)

Jesus them gave His disciples an example of how to pray; we know this prayer as the "Our Father." This is a great prayer but it was not meant necessarily to be our primary prayer. Rather, it was an example of the elements we should include in prayer. These include: 1) Our prayers should be directed to God the Father and they should give Him praise and honor. 2) We should pray for God's will to be accomplished, not our own. 3) We should pray for our provision. 4) We should ask for forgiveness of sins. 5) We should pray for strength to overcome sin and for deliverance from temptation. 6) We should pray for deliverance and protection from all evil. 7) And we should acknowledge that God is sovereign over all things. We can see all these elements in Jesus' prayer:

After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. (Matthew 6:5-13)

Jesus promised that God the Father would hear and answer our prayers. Further, when accompanied with our faith, our prayers could accomplish the impossible: Jesus said:

For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. (Mark 11:23-24; see also Matthew 21:21-22)

Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. (John 16:23-24)<sup>1</sup>

Jesus also instructed us that we should pray in agreement with other believers. When we do this, the power of our prayer is increased. He stated: "Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matthew 18:19-20)

Paul instructed the believers that the Holy Spirit helps us in prayer. He said: "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered." (Romans 8:26) We shall explore further how to invoke the Holy Spirits intercession in my next book *Be Not Deceived*.

#### **God Is No Respecter of Persons**

God does not randomly select, honor or bestow upon individuals protection, provision or mercy and grace. Peter declared: "Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons." (Acts 10:34) God is a respecter of our thought, actions and the desires of our heart. Abraham was a man of faith and he obedient to his father in Heaven. God said of King David, he is "a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will." (Acts 13:22; see also 1 Samuel 13:13-14) The Apostles and Prophets were chosen by God because they answered God's call on their lives and God respected this.

God wanted to have the same relationship he had with Moses with all of Israel but it was the people who chose not to have it. They didn't want God to speak to them directly (Exodus 20:19). God wants the same thing today, he wants a relationship with each of us and he wants to speak to us directly. It is up to us as to whether we want to hear and obey him. Moses said that it is God's desire that all his people would be prophets (Numbers 11:29) which is to say that He could speak to them and they would hear Him.

The prophet Joel writes: "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions." (Joel 2:28) This is beginning to happen today but how many of us recognize it? How many seek to understand what God is saying in a dream or vision? How many who seek to understand seek their understanding from God?

If we want God's protection and provision, we need to seek a deeper relationship with Him. We need to learn to hear His voice and we need to learn to trust and obey. We need to learn to trust and obey because God's ways often seem strange to us. God states through the prophet Isaiah: "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:8-9)

The word of God tells us that many will be martyred for their faith during the soon coming tribulation (Revelation 6:9-11; 17:6; and 18:24). Why will people be martyred and not protected? It is my belief that many martyrs will lay down their lives during the tribulation because they have not learned to hear God' voice and to trust and obey. Often God protects us by warning us, if we choose not to heed His warning, we shall pay the price!

Therefore, we must all spend more time in God's word, we must spend more time in prayer, we must spend more time listening for His voice, we must learn to recognize His voice and how to speaks to us and we must learn to trust and obey. If we are faithful, God will be faithful to His promise!

We must learn how he speaks to us because he speaks in different ways to different individuals. To some in speaks in dreams (dreams are symbolic), others in visions (visions are more literal), to some he speaks in an audible voice and to most he speaks in a still small voice which is not audible. The still small voice is more of a thought which we must learn to distinguish from our own thoughts.

Try this exercise. Spend some time in prayer and worship. Then, take out a piece of paper. Now in faith, believing that God will speak to you, write the words: "The Father says,". Now write down what God says. If you get a journal and do this regularly, you will have a record of what God is saying to you. You can record your dreams in the same journal.

#### **Daniel's Example – A Prayer Of Repentance**

The prophet Daniel sought the Lord God in "prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes." He made confession and repented of the sins of the nation of Israel. We ought to do the same in accordance with his example. You can find his prayer in Daniel 9.

The sins of the United States of America are not unlike Israel's sins. Let us consider Daniel's confession and add to it the particular sins of America. I invite you to read this aloud and make it part of your confession and repentance:

O merciful Father in heaven, full of mercy and grace. "We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments: Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land." (Daniel 9:5-6)

We have failed to obey the voice of the Lord and to walk in His laws. All America has transgressed thy law.

Even from the founding of our nation our leaders abandoned you. They failed to seek your counsel in prayer while our government was being formed. In Many of our elected delegates to the Constitutional Convention were Freemasons, members of an occult organization. It is

We have chosen ungodly leaders who have led us astray, away from your counsel, your laws and your ways. It was have conspired against you O Lord, against this nation and its Christian heritage. We have removed your holy word, your law, the teaching of creation and prayer from our schools. We have normalized and promoted immorality in our school and society including: fornication, adultery and homosexuality. We have persecuted Christians. And we have devised plans to oppress and destroy your people through the New World Order and one-world religion which they will use to institute the mark-of-the-beast. Iiv

Our nation and our leaders have fostered, promoted and financed the legalization of killing unborn babies around the world. This is an abomination in your sight and cannot go unpunished.

We have done evil to our youth. Pedophilia, child and human trafficking is practiced by our leaders and those who are guilty are often protected by those in law enforcement whose job it is to expose it and bring the guilty to justice.

We have financed secret government covert programs that research and carry out the most diabolical agendas. Among these programs is MK-Ultra mind control experiments which seek methods of removing free will and dulling our minds.

We have embraced false religions, false gods, occult practices, and the worshiping of devils. We have done all that is abominable in your sight. We have abused our youth as a result of our embracing this evil. We have taught our youth that which is evil and we have fostered evil rather than good in the world

We have generated, embraced and spread to the four corners of the earth ungodly and satanic entertainment that defiles the mind, emotions and heart and is an abomination in your sight. We have corrupted and defiled the people of the earth with our music, television, movies, stage productions, literature, art, and games. <sup>Ivii</sup>

We have deceived the world through sorcery. We have abandoned your counsel and what you said was good and we have sought health through sorcery. We have concocted drugs and vaccines that cause

sickness, disease, and death. We have forced these harmful concoctions on our own children and upon the children of the world. We have unloaded drugs that have been banned in our own nation on the unsuspecting poor people of the world. Viiii

Through covert programs our own government through the CIA has trafficked illegal drugs around the globe.

We have devised schemes that have destroyed the agricultural sectors of third world nations in order to increase our own agricultural sales. We have created dependency within these nations. We have devised schemes to increase their debt, to control these nations and their natural resources and we call it foreign aid. lix

We have created covert population control agendas that are meant to kill off the populations of third world nations so that we can control their resources and continue to live in luxury. lx

We have used our military and CIA to control the affairs of other nations. We have attacked other nations without provocation. We have assassinated the leaders of other nations and put in leaders of our own choosing. We have established leaders and supported regimes that have oppressed and slaughtered their own people. lxi

We have financed and supported communism in Russia and China. These nations have both been enemies of God's people and have slaughtered God's people by the tens of millions. lxii

We have armed our enemies Russia and China with nuclear weapons to threaten us and others.

We have used war as a method to force the world to accept a one-world government. World War I and II were envisioned for this purpose. We have profited from war. And we have covertly supported evil men, organizations, and nations in order to foster war for our own purposes. Among these were Adolf Hitler and Al-Qaeda. kiii

We have sponsored, trained and armed terrorists such as Al-Qaeda, ISIS and others to attack other nations as well as our own.

All nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of our fornication and we have committed fornication with the kings of the earth (Revelation 18:3). We are deserving of your judgment and wrath O Lord but You are full of mercy and grace. Forgive us our sins; cleanse us from all iniquity; wash us in the blood of our righteous and holy savior Jesus Christ. Fill us with your Holy Spirit. Renew our hearts and our minds. Place your law in our mind and our heart. May your will be our will. May your thought be our thoughts. And may we be strengthened to do what is right in your sight O Lord. Amen.

## The Sinner's Prayer

I hope that you have made the above confession and repentance for the sins of America but perhaps you have never given your life to Jesus Christ? If that is the case, I invite you to accept Him as your savior right now. If you have done it before, won't you renew your commitment? All you need to do is make the following confession and prayer:

Lord God, loving Father in heaven, I confess that I am a sinner and I am in need of salvation through Jesus Christ. I repent of my sins and I turn away from a life of sin. I confess that I have been involved in \_\_\_\_\_ (insert the false religion or practices and other sins you've been involved in). I confess and acknowledge that this is in violation of Your holy law. I pray for your forgiveness of my sins. I pray that You will cover me and wash me in the blood of Jesus Christ. I put on the righteousness of Christ

and I pray that I may be filled with your Holy Spirit.

Lord, may Your Holy Spirit guide me and direct my paths. May I thirst for your Holy word and may I have insight and understanding of Your word. May Your word give me wisdom and knowledge.

I declare with my lips and my heart that Your holy word is true: Jesus Christ is the creator of all things; He always was and always shall be. Jesus came to earth as a child; He was born of a virgin mother; He lived a sinless life; He suffered and died on the cross for my sins and the sins of the world. He was buried and on the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

I pray that You would write my name in the Book of Life, save me from the day of trouble and count me among Your remnant. May heavenly angels to be placed round about me to protect me from all evil harm and evil influence. I ask all these things in the name of your Son the Lord Jesus Christ, Amen!

If you prayed that prayer for the first time, there are several things you must do:

- Let someone know that you have given your life to Jesus Christ for he stated: "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven." (Matthew 10:32)
- Pray about and find a group of believers who keep God's commandments who you can worship with and who can baptize you. This doesn't have to be a large church; it can be a cell church or house church.
- You want to develop a close relationship with God. The following is part of this: You want to keep God's commandments. You want to develop a daily prayer life which includes confession and repentance. You want to learn to praise and worship God. You want to consistently study the word of God. And you want to learn to hear the voice of God.<sup>8</sup>
- You want to be open to hearing the Prophets of God. Our Lord God will do nothing without first revealing it to His prophets. (Amos 3:7) But you also must know the tests of a true prophet so that you are not deceived by false prophets, liars and deceivers.<sup>9</sup>
- Get connected with some good teaching and training ministries (see resource list in appendix). God gives gifts of service to all believers but He has chosen certain believers to receive ministry gifts. These ministry gifts are for leading, teaching, training healing and ministering to his saints. While the body of Christ would seem to esteem miracles and healing as the highest of the gifts, the word of God clearly states differently. Paul lays out some of the leadership gifts in order of authority, they include: "first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues." (1 Corinthians 12:28) Other ministry gifts include pastors and evangelists (Ephesians 4:11). God has designed and apportioned these gifts for the following purpose:

For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See Volume 1, pp. 355-356.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See Volume 1, pp. 352-353 and Luke 1:66-80; Ezekiel 12:25-28; Isaiah 8:20; Jeremiah 23:1, 9-27 and 32.

that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. (Ephesians 4:12-16)

• You want to find out how God has gifted you, what your calling is and you want to follow God where ever He leads you. This process takes time and is accomplished by getting to know God through the study of His word, and through prayer, worship and praise and by being equipped and trained by God's anointed ministry leaders.

#### A Word Of Warning

God's call is to come out of Babylon, your only protection is to put your entire faith, trust and obedience in God and his son Jesus Christ. You can not fight against what God has ordained. You can not fight against God's judgment.

When the chief priests and elders came to take Jesus so that they could put him on trial and crucify him, Peter drew his sword and cut off a man's ear. "Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword." (Matthew 26:52) Jesus is revealing that not only can you not fight against what God has ordained but if you do, you shall die.

In the book of Amos we see a further warning to those who refuse to believe the prophecy of the Lord God. The Lord declares through His prophet Amos: "All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, which say, The evil shall not overtake nor prevent us." (Amos 9:10) God is clearly calling His people to action, which first involves trusting and believing the word of the Lord. Those who refuse to trust and believe in His coming judgment will stand a great chance of dying in this judgment. The choice is yours.

#### Conclusion

Jesus Christ has told us to come out of Babylon. Babylon is much more than a place. Babylon consists of everything that is contrary to God and his law. It is everything worldly, ungodly and evil throughout the entire world. Babylon can be social, political, economical or religious. Babylon consists of those things that are not of God. It includes our life choices including our lifestyle, how we spend our recreation time, what we believe, what we worship, and who or what we obey. Do we obey God and his law or do we submit our selves to the world?

God is calling us to be separate. This is not a physical separation. The prophet Daniel lived in Babylon but he separated himself by trusting and obeying God. You need to separate yourself from all that is a deception, all that is a lie, and all that is evil and ungodly in the world whether you live in the United States or any other country (2 Corinthians 6:17). God is calling us to do this today; he wants you to choose Him today! Who knows what tomorrow will bring (Joshua 24:15).

When you trust God and develop a relationship with him and learn to hear his voice, God will ask you to do certain things or will give you certain assignment. He may ask you to move. He may ask you to move across town, to the country side, to another state or to another country. Only God knows his plans for you and only God know where he needs you to be at any given time.

There may be a day when God asks you to leave where ever you are in order to preserve your life or for some other reason. On the other hand, he may put you in the thick of the battle. In either case, the safest place is right where God wants you to be. But this can only happen if you have a personal relationship

with him and have learned to hear his voice and obey. If you don't know his voice, you most likely won't hear his voice or recognize his voice.

God will protect us and provide for us in what ever he asks us to do if we put our faith and trust totally in Him. We read in the word of God:

And we know that **all things work together for good to them that love God**, to them who are the called according to his purpose. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth. Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:28-39)

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever. (Psalm 23)

I pray that the forgoing has led you to the place where you feel that you are utterly without hope except that it be in Jesus Christ; without Jesus Christ there is no hope! And further that if you place your faith and trust in Jesus Christ, he will never fail you. I pray that you have also come to realize that you must not only know about Jesus Christ but that you must know him personally. You must know his voice and you must know His word. All that I have said in this chapter or the entire two Volumes means nothing to you if you don't have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. And further, if you want to escape the judgment of Babylon, you must learn to hear the voice of God. Only God knows where you will be safe, only he knows his plans for you! The safest place is right where God wants you, whether it be in the midst of the battle or in a safe place in the wilderness; it is all up to God!

I pray that as followers of Jesus that we may not be caught unaware or unprepared. I pray that we may know the times and the seasons, that our hearts and our minds may always be prepared and ready to

meet Jesus, that we may renew our minds daily with the word of God, that we may seek our God daily with prayer, praise, worship and thanksgiving, that we may all repent and turn from our sinful ways, that we may be cleansed daily by the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, that our false doctrines may be done away with, that we may have wisdom, that we may know the truth and be able to discern error and that we may follow our Lord Jesus Christ wherever he leads us. Amen!

# **Appendix Curse Breaking Decree**

**Note:** It is best to make this repentance prayer personal by adding your specific sins in the appropriate places. In the healing section, you can ad specific items that you want to be healed of or free of as well.

Jesus and Our Father want us to have eternal life but also a better life. Jesus stated: "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." (John 10:10) The phrase "it more abundantly" comes from the Greek word "perissos". According to Strong's, the word is used 10 times in scripture. I think it is important to look at how the word is used repeatedly in scripture to communicate a common idea. "Perissos" is used to communicate the following: "exceeding some number or measure or rank or need, over and above, more than is necessary, superadded, exceeding abundantly, supremely, something further, more, much more than all, more plainly, superior, extraordinary, surpassing, uncommon, pre-eminence, superiority, advantage, more eminent, more remarkable, more excellent." 10

How do we receive this more abundant life? We must walk in the light, the light of Jesus. Jesus rescued a woman caught in adultery. After her accusers had left, Jesus said: "...go, and sin no more.... I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the **light of life**." (John 8:11-12)

Darkness is sin and sin brings depression, pain, misery and suffering! Jesus is "the light of life". There is no darkness in the light of God. <sup>11</sup> To come fully into Jesus' "light of life", we must leave behind the darkness which is sin. The Apostle John writes: "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin." (1 John 1:7)

If we want to walk fully in the light and to have life more abundantly, we need the blood of Jesus to purify us of <u>all</u> sin. The natural consequences of sin is a curse. Depression, pain, misery and suffering are all curses. Curses can be natural consequences of sin, a judgment from God or the result demonic agencies bringing suffering upon us. The word tells us that a curse does not come without a cause.<sup>12</sup>

The cause of our curse does not have to be our sin. It could be the sin of our ancestors. The Bible tells us that the sins of the fathers are passed down to the third and fourth generation.<sup>13</sup> This is not just the sin of the father but the sin of the mother as well.

When we sin, we pass a curse down to our children. And when our parents sinned, they passed down a curse to us. But a curse can be passed down much further than three or four generations because we all tend to repeat the sins of our parents and grandparents. A curse can therefore be passed down for thousands of years. The sin-load or curses that each generation must burden is double what their parents had to bear and then we must add our own sin on top of it.

Our sin load would be much more than we could endure if not for a simple fact. While there are a vast array of different types of sins, the number is limited. If all your grandparents lied and both your parents lied, the sin you need to overcome is lieing rather than 6 different sins. If it wasn't for this one fact, if each of our ancestors committed only one sin, after 10 generations we would have a sin load of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> From the Blue Letter Bible, <a href="https://www.blueletterbible.org/">https://www.blueletterbible.org/</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> 1 John 1:5

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Numbers 14:18; Exodus 20:5, 34:7 and Deuteronomy 5:9

over 2,046 sins assuming there were no grandparents with a common family tree.

We are all related. We all have Noah and his wife in our family tree. But within our family tree, common grandparents show up in many different branches; it has to be that way. If we go back 20 generations (about 400 years assuming a historical average child bearing age of 20 years), each of us would have over 2 million grandparents. And there are over 7 billion people on the earth. Using UN estimates, there were around 600 million people on the earth 400 years ago in 1619.

Science now knows that memories are not just stored in or brains, they are stored in our cells as well. Dr. Ben Johnson, co-author of *The Healing Code*, believes that cellular memories alter our DNA and therefor are passed down from the parents to the children. If this is true, it would explain how curses are passed down from generation to generation. It would also be an explanation of why we repeat the mistakes of our parents and grandparents. If this is true, our DNA is encoded with the weakness or susceptibility for us to make certain mistakes. It is not predestination, it is an inherited weakness."<sup>14</sup>

Depression, pain, misery and suffering can also be the result of living in a sinful world but when we are walking in the light Jesus will strengthen us and comfort us in order to get us through.

That light of life lives in us through the Holy Spirit when we accept Jesus as our savior, confess our sins and repent. Receive the light of the word, the light of life and go and sin no more.

#### **Prayer of Repentance**

My Father in Heaven, praised be thy name. You are righteous and you are holy. I thank you for your love, for your forgiveness, and for your mercy and grace. I thank you for your word, I thank you that your word is true and I thank you that you answer prayer. I thank you for the Holy Spirit that leads me and guides me and who has brought me to saving grace in Jesus Christ. I thank you for your son Jesus (Yeshua), my Savior. I thank Jesus Christ who came to earth and suffered and died for my sins and then rose from the dead.

I confess that Jesus Christ (Yeshua) is my Lord and Savior. I believe that his death on the cross was for me. It is written, cursed is anyone who is hung upon a tree. Jesus accepted and received the curse that was meant for me when he suffered and died on the cross. It is through the power of Jesus' death and his resurrection that my sins are washed away and the righteousness of (Yeshua) Jesus Christ becomes my righteousness through faith. Through Yeshua's (Jesus') death and resurrection I am freed from the curse, which is death, and I am able to receive the blessings promised to Abraham through faith.

I renounce, reject and repudiate the devil and all his works. I renounce, reject and repudiate any and all activities of demonic strongmen in my life and all the other powers and master spirits underneath them. I command everyone of them to obey the belief of my heart and the confession of my mouth.

I confess that I am a sinner in need of forgiveness. I repent of every sin I've committed: every sinful thought, every sinful deed and every sinful omission. I ask forgiveness for every sin committed by me or my ancestors all the way back to Adam. I ask forgiveness for every sinful thought, every sinful deed and every sinful omission. I ask for forgiveness of the sin of my nation, the sin of my state, the sin of my county and the sin of my city. I ask for forgiveness for every sin committed by those I have voted for or those I have supported.

I renounce and seek to break off every curse on me as a result of my sin, the sin of my ancestors all the way back to Adam, the sin of those I have voted for or supported and the sin of my nation, state, county and city.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> John Durr, Why We Need Healing

I renounce and revoke every evil vow, every evil oath, every evil ritual, every evil ceremony, every evil tie and blood covenant attributed to me, my ancestors, my nation, my state, my county, my city or anyone I've supported or voted for and I renounce, revoke any and all curses attached to them in the name of my Savior (Yeshua) Jesus Christ.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for all sorcery, witchcraft, divination, and every evil abomination in the name of my Savior (Yeshua) the Lord Jesus Christ.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for all false religion, any and all cult activity, all idol worship, all false gods and goddesses, all false belief systems, every form of false worship and every doctrine of demons.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for using your name in vain.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for breaking your Sabbath day.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for unbelief, lack of faith, for failing to hear your voice, for giving in to temptation, for failing to resist temptation, for failing to call on you for help, for failing to seek you and your will in daily prayer, study and worship and for failing to do your will when I heard your voice and for all worldliness.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for not honoring my father and mother.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for all hatred, unforgiveness, anger, strife, physical abuse, verbal abuse, threats, murder, and suicide.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for all coveting, all envying, all theft, and all fraud.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for all lust, adultery, fornication, divorce, all sexual abuse, and every form of sexual perversion and forbidden and sinful sexual behavior.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for all lying, gossip, every act of being a false witness and every act of deception.

I repent of renounce and as	sk forgiveness f	or the abuse o	f alcohol and	drugs. I repent	of renounce all
illegal activity including _					

I renounce, disavow and ask forgiveness for those sins which are unique to governments including my nation, state, county and city. I renounce, disavow and ask forgiveness for any and all: unjust wars, selling weapons for unjust causes, supporting terrorists, supporting unjust dictators and supporting other unjust governments, for war crimes, acts of terror, assassinations and murders, the overthrowing of governments, supporting the international drug trade, legalizing, promoting and supporting abortions worldwide, the selling of baby parts from abortions, unjust laws, wrongful convictions, illegal property seizures, suppressing freedom, mind control, an unjust monetary system, christian persecution, population control, suppressing our freedoms and the freedoms of others including religious freedom, free speech and the right to freedom in education, sexual abuse, pedophilia, human trafficking, slavery, the promotion of drugs over God's natural remedies and the suppression of God's natural remedies and any and all other sins unknown or too numerous to list individually.

I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness for any and all other sinful activities that opened up my family line to a curse. I repent of renounce and ask forgiveness whether these sins were committed by myself, any of my ancestors, my nation, my state, my county, my city, anyone I have voted for or anyone I have supported.

By my decree, I declare Now that any and all curses brought upon me and my ancestors is broken! I

have repented and confessed every sin and had them cleansed in the blood of (Yeshua) Jesus Christ. I declare to every adversary of God, you have no legal right to curse me or my descendants.

By the authority given to me through (Yeshua) Jesus Christ, I declare all curses null and void.

In the Power and Authority given to me by (Yeshua) Jesus Christ I take authority over all the adversaries of God and (Yeshua) Jesus Christ who have influence over my life. I command all the powers of darkness, all demonic spirits, all principalities, all powers, all master spirits and any and all other demonic agencies who are in collusion to curse, influence and/or afflicts my life to be bound together as one. And I command you all to come off me as one. I command you to flee from me. I bind you to inactivity in my life. You no longer have any right or authority over my life; I command you to go NOW! I decree these things now in the name of my savior, my redeemer, the cleanser of my sins, the curse breaker and the King of kings, (Yeshua) Jesus Christ. My Lord and Savior. The name which every knee must bow, the name which every demonic being is subject, the name of (Yeshua) Jesus Christ.

NOW, in the Power and Authority I have in (Yeshua) Jesus Christ, and through His Healing Power which comes through His suffering and his Glory Light. I speak healing into my soul, my body, my mind and my spirit. I speak to my soul and I say to you, soul every place that you are caring a wound from a curse resulting from my sin, from generational sin or any other sin, I command that you be healed by the blood of (Yeshua) Jesus Christ for the sin and by (Yeshua's) Jesus Christ's suffering and by his glory light for the wound. (Yeshua) Jesus Christ died for my sins and he suffered for my wounds. I declare, through Christ's blood that was shed on the cross, through Christ's wounds and through Christ's glory light, the light where no darkness dwells, I am healed.

I declare that I am healed physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. Through Christ's suffering and through Christ's Glory Light, I am healed of false religion, unbelief, lack of faith, lack of knowledge, lack of wisdom and double-mindedness.

Through Christ's suffering and through Christ's Glory Light, I am healed of anger hatred and unforgiveness; including any and all anger against you Father and all bitter-root-strongholds.

Through Christ's suffering and through Christ's Glory Light, I am healed of worldliness and worldly desires, pride and self righteousness, lust and sexual perversion, covetousness, drugs and alcohol.

Through Christ's suffering and through Christ's Glory Light, I am healed of fear, anxiety, depression, and poor self esteem.

Through Christ's suffering and through Christ's Glory Light, I am healed of every infirmity, every disease, every sickness and suffering, every despair, every mental illness, every physical and emotional illness.

Through Christ's suffering and through Christ's Glory Light, I declare that my subconscious mind is healed of all the corrupt programing brought upon it through sin.

Through Christ's suffering and through Christ's Glory Light, I am healed of all things that separate me from you Father, in the name of (Yeshua) the Lord Jesus Christ I declare all these things, Amen!

Through Christ's blood, His Suffering and his Glory Light I have become a new creation. I am not my own, I have been bought with a price which was Yeshua's suffering and death. The death of my God; my creator. I declare I am filled with Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Forgiveness, Trust, Humility, Right Thinking, Right Beliefs, Right Actions and Self Control. The Father's thoughts have become my thoughts, the Father's ways have become my ways, the Law of God is being placed in

my heart and my mind and the will of my Father is being completed in my life. I speak prosperity, health, peace and purity into my life.

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