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## FOREWORD

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In the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints it is common knowledge that all persons who were born in mortality with a body were valiant to God and Jesus Christ's Plan of Salvation in the pre-mortal world. Many scriptures testify to that truth!

My great-grandfather, Charles Adams, was a bishop in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, served as Mayor of the City of Parowan, Utah and later served in the Utah State Legislature from 1891-1894 – 2 years in the lower house and 2 years in the upper house.

My desire is to run for Mayor in the City of Mesa in the hopes to bring to pass more righteousness and truth in government and to qualify for the Lord's Blessings to be poured out upon the people of Mesa and the surrounding areas!

Historically, keeping God's commandments brings prosperity and breaking God's commandments brings despair, chaos and destruction!

We are creatures of 'indoctrination' that can either choose to be indoctrinated to the truth as taught in the scriptures or to be indoctrinated to untruth as taught by worldly man. Listen to the words of the Lord to His people, the Israelites, before they entered their Promised Land:

*26: Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;*

*27: A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you this day;*



*28: And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the Lord your God...*

*Deuteronomy 11:26-28*

Or we can choose to be indoctrinated to untruth as taught by the Democrat Party which aligns more with the communist countries of China and Russia.

For Example in the 2012 National General Election, the Democrat Party took God out of their party platform. Today they have endorsed an 'Open Borders' Policy coupled with 'Sanctuary Cities', 'Wokeness', 'Cancel Culture' and many other untrue indoctrinations.

The Lord has a 'House of Order', not a house of 'Open Borders'!!!

The Lord has cursed the democrats by withdrawing His Spirit from them - allowing the Devil and his angels to take possession of their spirits and bodies; hence, the behavior we witnessed in the Brett Kavanaugh confirmation hearings on September 4, 2018 for the vacancy on the supreme court!

The democrats want to remove God from the Government! They do not want to be subject to a higher power! The republicans, over the years, have been tricked into believing that removing God is OK based on the logical fallacy of separation of church and state. Are the democrats "*...ashamed of the testimony of our Lord...*"? (2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 1:8) Does their policy align with the 'Testimony of Jesus'?

Would Jesus condone allowing women the so-called 'right to kill'(abortion)? Would Jesus condone same-sex marriage(sexual deviancy)? Would Jesus condone giving a person life imprisonment for the shedding of innocent blood(murder)? Would Jesus eliminate prayer from our schools(honoring God)? Would Jesus eliminate our 'pledge of allegiance' from our schools? Little wonder the democrats do not want to bring God into the mix - it is a no-win situation for them!

What is the solution? The republicans need to hold the democrat's feet to the fire and not allow them to weasel out of every argument with their 'separation of church and state'. Let's be honest: we can't separate ourselves from God, Jesus or the Truth for "*...God...created*

*all things by Jesus Christ...*” (Ephesians 3:9). Jesus says *“I am the way, the truth and the life.”* (KJV, John 14:6) The Kingdom of David worked well with Nathan the Prophet - the church and state were one, with Christ as their Head! God loves us! Don't let the democrats dictate the argument of 'state' only! If you do they'll win every time!!!

We, the followers of Jesus, need to assert our 'church' argument. In every argument we need to ask the question - 'What would the Lord have us do?' Get used to bringing the Lord into every conversation - don't be 'ashamed of your testimony of Jesus'. If you do, He will enable us to win every time!!!

Having said that, what do we do concerning the 'Border Wall'? And, again, what would the Lord have us do? Searching the scriptures we find out that the Lord helped the Prophet Nehemiah rebuild the walls of Jerusalem after the Babylonian Captivity.

In case you haven't noticed, both, 'former' President Trump and Vice-President Pence are reborn Christians. They, both, were avowed democrats advocating pro-abortion, same-sex marriage, homosexuality and anti-death penalty for the shedding of innocent blood. What changed? They looked inward and wanted to know the truth, as did President Reagan and Charles Krauthammer before them. Just as the Lord helped the Prophet Nehemiah rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, so too, He helped Ronald Reagan, Charles Krauthammer, Donald Trump and Mike Pence to be able to see more truth!

**BUILD THE WALL, BUILD THE WALL, “By hook or by crook” BUILD THE WALL!!!** The 'Open Border' Policy under President Biden and the democrats have caused untold damage to our great nation.

The Lord is pleased when we, His children, bring Him into the mix in order to solve our problems!

According to the scriptures it is a 'sin' for the Government to enforce an 'Open Border' Policy contrary to the US Constitution and the immigration laws of the land.

Romans 13: 1-7 reads:

*1: Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.*

*2: Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.*

*3: For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? Do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:*

*4: For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain; for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil.*

*5: Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake.*

*6: For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing.*

*7: Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due....*

Our United States; our Government and our Constitution were founded upon Judeo-Christian values by predominantly Christians! The writers, thereof, were strong, godly men who sacrificed their lives and fortunes for their new nation and “...*the powers that be are ordained of god...*”. (Romans 13:1)

Biden and the democrat’s ‘Open Boarder’ Policy are clearly not ordained of God and are contrary to our US constitution, or “...*the powers that be...*!”

*Bob Adams, Author*





## PREFACE

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In 2015, 83% of Americans claimed to be Christian.<sup>1a</sup> Approximately 82% of the Democrats elected to the 114th and 116th Congress claimed to be Christian.<sup>2a</sup>

But today, only 8 years later, 63% of Americans claim to be Christian while 88% of the newly elected 118th congress claim to be Christian.<sup>3a</sup> Yet almost all those Democrats support anti-Christian legislation - notably abortion and Planned Parenthood, Open-Boarders and Illegal(Criminal) Immigration, repeal of our Second Amendment, Climate Change, 'Defund the Police', Critical Race Theory, 'Wokeness' and an avalanche of other anti-christian legislation including same-sex marriage, homosexuality and anti-death penalty. *All these issues have grown considerably over the last 5-10 years, and now it is not just a war on ideals and opinions, but a subjective war on Truth; even war on God himself, as the pinnacle of good.*

Are they Christians in name only? Why do they claim to be Christian and vote contrary to what Christ would have done as revealed in the King James version of the Bible? We will answer those questions as the book unfolds.

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<sup>1a</sup> Langer, Gary L. "Poll:Most Americans Say They're Christian." ABC News. 18July2015. <<http://www.abcnews.go.com/US/Story?id=90356>>

<sup>2a</sup> Blumberg, Antonia. "A Look At The Religious Make-up of the 114th Congress." Huffington Post. 5Jan.2015. <[www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/01/05/congress-religious-affiliation\\_n\\_6417074.html/](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/01/05/congress-religious-affiliation_n_6417074.html/)>

<sup>3a</sup> Diamant, Jeff. "Faith on the Hill" Pew Research Center. 3 Jan, 2023. <[www.pewresearch.org](http://www.pewresearch.org)>

Those of us who profess to be Christians, and have a testimony of Christ and His atonement, on our behalf, have a solemn responsibility to warn our neighbors. The Lord refers to us as His watchmen. Listen to His warning words to both the watchmen and the people: *“...If when he seeth the sword upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people; Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet, and did not take warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul. But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman’s hand...”* (Ezekiel 33:3-6).

My purpose in writing this book, therefore, is to primarily save my own soul but, also, to save the souls of others; to warn the people and the political leaders of our day, especially the democratic leaders, to repent – so that their blood be not upon my head. For I do, in fact, see the sword coming!

Some readers may be asking the question: What qualifies you to preach repentance? To answer that question I feel I need to give you a brief background of my rebirth as a Christian.

Born into a Roman Catholic family I had a fairly good Christian upbringing. But as a graduating senior from high school I began casual drinking and continued that casual drinking for the next several years while attending college.

That drinking was interrupted when I was drafted out of college into the Vietnam war. While in Vietnam we were allowed a couple of warm beers each night, but I chose not to drink in order to be mentally alert when incoming mortar rounds hit our landing zone. During one of those mortar attacks I promised the Lord to serve Him if He spared my life, but not before I was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star medal, while witnessing the death of a number of my brave, fellow servicemen.

I began reading the booklet entitled “The Power of Positive Thinking” by the great protestant leader Norman Vincent Peale.<sup>4a</sup> It contained approximately forty short scriptures from the bible that he referred to as ‘thought conditioners’. I memorized and mentally repeated them over and over again. It had a powerful and positive influence on my thinking.

But upon returning home, after witnessing death and barely escaping death myself, I felt justified (wrongly I might add) in celebrating my survival through drinking and lascivious living. I had forgotten the promise I made to the Lord while under duress in Vietnam. The Lord would remind me later on!

The next four years involved extreme sinful behavior to the point that my body went through a complete physical and spiritual breakdown. If not for my father I would have had to be hospitalized and/or institutionalized.

After returning home to my father as a prodigal son, I was converted to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (the Mormons). They taught a gospel principle called ‘The Word of Wisdom’ – that alcohol, tobacco, and drugs are not for the body.<sup>5a</sup> The Lord condemns those that “...*continue until night, till wine inflame them*” (Isaiah 5:11). Also, “...*Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine*” (Isaiah 5:22). In Romans, Paul warns, “...*walk...not in rioting and drunkenness*” (Romans 13:13). And if your goal is to inherit the kingdom of God the Lord warns, “...*nor drunkards...shall inherit the kingdom of God*” (1 Corinthians 6:10).

My ultimate demise began with casual drinking as a senior graduate in high school, and gradually escalated to marijuana, cocaine and other drugs. Drinking and drugs reduces inhibitions and opens the door to the ‘eat, drink, and be merry’ philosophy – the ‘anything goes’ attitude!

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<sup>4a</sup> Peale, Norman Vincent. *The Power of Positive Thinking*. New York: Simon and Schuster, 1952.

<sup>5a</sup> Smith Jr., Joseph. *The Doctrine and Covenants*. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1974, 154-155.



After the Lord's helping me to experience the process of repentance in the extreme (and I would like to emphasize the word extreme), and after more than fifty years of service in His kingdom, I feel qualified to preach repentance to the people and the political leaders of our day. In fact, I feel commanded to do so! The Lord loves all of His children – so much so that He uses people like myself, who've gotten closer to Him through the Principle of Repentance, to teach them. He wants to be close to all of His children! He is, truly, magnanimous!

Our society today is morally deteriorating, individually and collectively, at a rapid pace. George Washington, the 'Father of our Country', has said: "*...Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports... reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle...*"<sup>6</sup>

Through my conversion process I've, especially, noticed that the Democratic National Committee (DNC) and the Democratic Party, in general, were the main contributors to the moral and religious decay of our day – through immoral and corrupt legislation!

The Lord has counseled us through His Prophets Isaiah, Nephi and others, to "*...liken all scriptures unto us, that it might be for our profit and learning...*" (1 Nephi 19:23). In this book, I've used the scriptures to 'liken' the sinful behavior of the past with the sinful behavior of the present in hopes that the reader will identify and connect the two for their 'profit and learning.'

During the meridian of time Jesus instituted the sacrament to keep His disciples in remembrance of the spiritual deliverance He was about to afford them through His atonement!

During the sacrament we can become a little more perfected each week through the repentance process – recognizing the sin, abandoning the sin, confessing the sin, making restitution and rechartering our course until the perfect day when we hear the words of the Lord "*...Well done, good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over*

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<sup>6</sup> American Living Documents, 105.

*a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of the Lord*" (Matthew 25:23).

As aforementioned, the Lord has spared my life through Vietnam and lascivious living in order to help others learn of the Principle of Repentance and it's prerequisite to inheriting Eternal Life!

During the Coronavirus Pandemic we survived using social distancing, washing our hands and isolation. Likewise, on a spiritual level, would we be able to 'wash our hands' by repealing abortion on the state level, banning same sex marriage (2015) and enforcing the death penalty for the shedding of innocent blood? Would this be effective in removing God's curse upon our nation?

Historically the House of Israel has been cursed for breaking God's commandments. They were cursed by being brought into captivity by the Assyrians (740BC - 720BC) and the Babylonians (586BC - 516BC) for breaking God's commandments by perverting the ways of the Lord.

If we value life "*...Thou shalt not kill.*" (Exodus 20:13), the sacred bond between man and woman, "*If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination.*" (Leviticus 20:13) and justice for the innocent, "*Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.*" (Genesis 9:6), then, by Gods own law, the Lord would be compelled to bless us!



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## CHAPTER ONE

# I AM A SINNER

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*“Confess your sins one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed...”*

*James 5:16*

My name is Bob Adams and I am a sinner!

The first twenty-eight years of my life depicted a true sinner. The last fifty years I’ve been a true, sincere, and repentant sinner.

My purpose in writing this book, as mentioned in the preface, is to warn individuals and political leaders, of primarily the Democratic Party, to repent of their wickedness so that their blood be not upon my head.

It’s interesting to note that the word sin immediately precedes the word Sinai in the dictionary. Sin is defined as 1. A transgression, especially when deliberate, of a law having divine authority, and 2. To disregard the divine law.<sup>1</sup> Sinai is defined as 1. The mountain where Moses received the Law from God.<sup>2</sup>

In my first twenty-eight years I became very familiar with breaking the Mosaic Law (The Ten Commandments). Unfortunately, there isn’t one of those commandments I didn’t break (I thank God for the Atonement). I’ve committed fornication many times. I’ve had a homosexual experience. I’ve had an abortion performed. I’ve commit-

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<sup>1</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967,1252.

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

ted adultery. I've lied, cheated, and stolen from my neighbor. But the greatest of all the commandments broken was the first commandment given to Moses and, thus, to us. And I quote:

*2 I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.*

*3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.*

*4 Thou shalt not make of thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth:*

*5 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;*

*6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments*

*Exodus 20:2-6*

In confessing my sins I want the people, and especially the youth, to realize I'm not proud of them. On the contrary, I'm extremely ashamed that I lacked the faith necessary to keep Christ's commandments to begin with. I would have avoided the pains, sorrows, and heartaches associated with the repentance process. On the other hand, I'm extremely grateful for the Lord's atonement which has enabled me to receive a remission of my sins and a joy that can only come with communion with Him!

Again, my purpose in writing this book is to warn individuals and leaders of, primarily, the Democratic Party to repent so that their blood be not upon my head. Repentance is a word derived from the Greek meaning to change. The dictionary defines repentance as, 1. The act of turning with sorrow from a past course or action.<sup>3</sup>

A pro-choice and a pro-gay person might say, 'Whoa, Charlie, hold your horses. I don't feel sorry for having an abortion. Roe v Wade

<sup>3</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 1140.

made it legal in 1973. And as far as gay rights and same-sex marriages are concerned, they are now legalized in all fifty states'. These statements are true. So it begs the question, are some of our laws corrupt?

While you're pondering that question I want to take you on a little journey back a few years when Tiger Woods, Kobe Bryant, and more recently Governor Mark Sanford (R) of South Carolina were caught in adultery.<sup>4</sup> Each of them suffered severe public condemnation.

These men experienced some degree of repentance because of the public condemnation. As a result, their outward performances improved. Tiger Woods regained his #1 ranking in the golf world; Kobe Bryant won back to back NBA championships with the Los Angeles Lakers in '09 and '10, and Governor Sanford, more recently, won his congressional race for the House of Representatives. Repentance works!

But repentance only works when good God-fearing laws are the standard. Since our nation presently, as a whole, supports the seventh commandment, 'Thou shalt not commit adultery', the nation's condemnation of those men's actions caused them to rethink their behavior and success was the result!

Now, let us return to the question I asked you to ponder. Are some of our laws corrupt? Clearly, according to God's commandments, homosexuality, same-sex marriage and abortion are serious sins, and I quote: *"...Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination..."* (Leviticus 18:22). And, also, *"...If a man also lie with mankind as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them..."* (Leviticus 20:13). Likewise with abortion, *"Thou shalt not kill..."* (Exodus 20:13). He didn't say 'Thou shalt not kill outside the womb'. He said *'...Thou shalt not kill...'*. And, I might add, the punishment for killing life is as follows: *"...And he that killeth any man shall surely be put to death..."* (Leviticus 24:17).

Another pro-abortion advocate might add '...Hey, Charlie, you don't really expect me to believe that that's really a human being

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<sup>4</sup> "Interactive Sex Scandals." CNN.COM. 2010. CNN. 19 Feb. 2010. <<http://www.cnn.com/2010/US/02/19/interactivescandals>>.



inside her womb, do you...?’ I would reply, as a Biology minor, it’s clear that once a male sperm unites with a female egg, conception has occurred and a human life has begun to form. It, then, develops through the embryonic and fetal stages until birth. He or she, then, has the opportunity to continue to develop physically and, hopefully, spiritually throughout life.

President Obama wasn’t born with a law book in his hand and asked to pass the law boards in a couple months. No, he was given time to develop until he could handle such a challenge. And he wasn’t cut short in the womb before he could reach his full potential. That would have been murder!

Because President Trump appointed three God-fearing judges to the US Supreme Court during his presidency, Roe vs Wade was overturned on the federal level. They sent it to the states - to be determined by the individual states. A step in the right direction, but needs to be outlawed on the state level, also, in order to receive the Lords Blessing! Get to work you State Supreme Court! You have it in your power to bless our great nation with the Lords Blessings - *which He desires greatly to bestow upon us!!!*

The Lord warns the State judges;

*“...Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment...”*

*Leviticus 19:35*

*“...But if ye will not harken unto me, and will not do all these commandments; And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that ye break my covenant: I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror...”*

*Leviticus 26:14-16*

Has the Lord allowed terrorism to come to our shores and has He appointed it over us? Think about it!

The sins of the people will be on the heads of you judges if you continue to pass corrupt laws and fail to repeal those already passed!

And I don't want to hear about the separation of Church and State. The Lord never intended for them to be separated. President George Washington, in a later chapter, discusses their interrelationship and the importance of that interrelationship to the survival of our nation.

On July 4, 1776, Thomas Jefferson wrote our great Declaration of Independence with these celestial words: "...We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness..."<sup>5</sup>

One of these unalienable rights not mentioned is the right to have righteous judges pass righteous judgments so that the people, for which Abraham Lincoln taught us, '...governments were created...'<sup>6</sup>, would not be confused; but would be able to choose between good and evil. If they choose evil, then Christ awaits in the wings, mercifully, allowing them the right to repentance.

Thankfully, President Donald Trump appointed 3 conservative, God-Fearing justices to the U.S. Supreme Court. They helped the other conservative justices to overturn *Roe Vs. Wade* (1973). As mentioned, this returned regulatory responsibility concerning abortion to the states. It was a step in the right direction!

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<sup>5</sup> Starr, Todd, and Curti. *Living American Documents*. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 50.

<sup>6</sup> *Living American Documents*, 187.



## CHAPTER TWO

# CHRISTIAN OR NON-CHRISTIAN?

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*“Woe unto them that call evil good and good evil...”*

*Isaiah 5:20*

Thus, we see that corrupt man has the power to corrupt society through corrupt laws. And as aforementioned, *Roe v Wade* and the courts allowance of homosexuality and same-sex marriage are in direct violation of God’s law, as is the lack of enforcement of capital punishment. By passing *Roe v Wade* and gay rights legislation, the judges are calling ‘...evil good and good evil...’

If you place a rotten or corrupt apple in a barrel of good, healthy apples, what will be the result? Unless the person repents and removes the corrupt apple, it is self-evident that eventually the barrel will become corrupt. Sodom, Gomorrah, the Empire of David and Solomon, and the Roman Empire are prime examples. America is on that path, primarily due to Democratic Party legislation!

The rotten apple of immorality and lasciviousness has gradually, but persistently, corrupted our great nation since it’s inception. But not until fairly recently, with the shedding of innocent blood (*Roe v Wade* of 1973) and same-sex marriage (June 26, 2015) becoming legalized, has our nation reached a new pinnacle of corruption. Many people advocating such errant behavior claim to be Christian. But that, my friends, is an impossibility. They have either never read the Bible, or

they are lying in order to garner more votes. Somehow I feel that the latter is more probable!

So the question is, are we Christian or non-Christian? The dictionary defines Christianity as 1. The state of being a Christian.<sup>7</sup> Christian is defined as 1. One who lives according to the example and teaching of Jesus.<sup>8</sup> If we profess abortion and gay rights, we are not Christian – unless we apply the Law of Repentance<sup>9</sup> and change; and begin to follow the teachings of Jesus. History has proven, through the bible and secular history in general, that the Principle of Repentance is the main ingredient accounting for the success of Christianity.<sup>10</sup>

Our savior, Jesus Christ, atoned for our sins. The dictionary defines atonement as 1. The reconciliation between God and man effected by Christ.<sup>11</sup> This masterful, unparalleled act allows us to repent and change. We know this atonement took place in the Garden of Gethsemane<sup>12</sup> and on the cross at Golgotha.<sup>13</sup>

The fact that the atonement took place, however, doesn't make it automatically operative in our lives. Only through repentance and keeping the commands of God can we make the atonement effective in our lives. John the Baptist “...*preached repentance for the remission of sins...*” (Mark 1:4). True change must take place before mercy and forgiveness are applied, and, as quoted, a remission of sins *cannot* occur without the application of the Principle of Repentance!

As mentioned in the first chapter I experienced this mighty change. I would love nothing more than to have multiple wives and girlfriends, just as gay rights people enjoy expressing their desires and passions. But because such behavior is contrary to God's commands we must

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<sup>7</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 242.

<sup>8</sup> Ibid.

<sup>9</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979. Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30; 2 Peter 3:9; 2 Corinthians 7:10; Romans 2:4; John 14:24; John 14:15.

<sup>10</sup> Dyer, Alvin R. “Repentance.” scriptures.byu.edu. Oct. 1969. Brigham Young University. <scriptures.byu.edu/ettalk.php?ID=1720>.

<sup>11</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 92.

<sup>12</sup> “Garden of Gethsemane.” The Holy Bible (KJV): Bible Dictionary. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979, 680.

<sup>13</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV):Bible Dictionary, 682.

learn to restrain our desires and passions. Such restraint fosters more obedience and draws us closer and closer to our Creator – wherein is found a fullness of joy!<sup>14</sup>

Make no mistake about it – repentance is not easy. Restraining our desires, appetites, and passions when we’re accustomed to feeding them, is a monumental task. But our Heavenly Father has commanded us to do it and, if we’re diligent, steadfast and consistent, He will give us the strength to do it. He has done that for me!

The justices of the Supreme Court and the state courts that have allowed homosexual and abortion activity to become a tradition in our society are in dire need of this great repentance spoken of.

The justices allowing such sinful activity today are spitting images of the scribes, Pharisees and Sadducees of Jesus’ day trying desperately to catch Him in a lie. And I quote:

*2 Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders?  
For they wash not their hands when they eat bread.*

*3 But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also  
transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?*

*4 For God commanded, saying, Honor thy father and mother:  
and, He that curseth father and mother, let him die the death.*

*5 But ye say, Whosoever shall say to his father or mother,  
it is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me;*

*6 And honor not his father or mother, he shall be free. Thus  
have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by  
your tradition.*

*7 Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,*

*8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and  
honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.*

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<sup>14</sup> "Chapter 47: Exaltation." Gospel Principles. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2011, 275-80.

*9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrine the commandments of men...”*

*Matthew 15:2-9*

Thus, by allowing gay rights (denounced by Leviticus 21:13) and abortion (denounced by Exodus 20:13) to become traditions in our society the Lord has said: *“...Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition...”* (Matthew 15:6).

And there in the Hall of Justice hangs those ten commandments, symbolic of all the commandments given to the House of Israel. Do all the justices use those commandments as an ensign or standard to judge by?

No; some *“...draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men...”* (Matthew 15:8-9).

And, again, a few of the commandments of men that the unrighteous justices are teaching for doctrine are *Roe v Wade* (1973), and within the past decade the legalization of gay rights and same-sex marriage in all fifty states.

On June 26, 2013, the Supreme Court ruled to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) of 1996.<sup>15</sup> DOMA defined marriage as between a man and a woman, consistent with God’s commandment that *“...man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh...”* (Genesis 2:24).

By repealing DOMA the rebellious judges have created their own commandments, and again are *“...teaching for doctrine the commandments of men...”* (Matthew 15:9).

So the question is, once more, are we Christian or non-Christian? If a person promotes abortion, homosexuality, same-sex marriage or any sin contrary to the commandments of God he has that right to do so, but don’t claim to be a follower of Christ. Corrupt laws, such as

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<sup>15</sup> Barnes, Robert. “Supreme Court strikes down key part of Defense of Marriage Act.” Washington Post. 26 June 2013. <[www.washingtonpost.com/politics/supreme-court/2013/06/26/](http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/supreme-court/2013/06/26/)>.

Roe v Wade and homosexual and same-sex marriage legislation, may allow you to legally perform such errant behavior, but don't expect to inherit the Kingdom of God. And through Paul, He warns:

*9 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,*

*10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.*

*1 Corinthians 6:9-10*

Then Paul reminds some of these Corinthian saints that they, too, were caught up into these serious sins; but through the atonement of Christ, they were washed clean (Baptism). Listen:

*11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.*

*1 Corinthians 6:11*

The Lord is mighty to forgive, but we must make the ultimate choice – a Christian or non-Christian lifestyle; a repentant or a non-repentant attitude. It's our choice, but it's *vital* to remember that Repentance is a commandment,<sup>16</sup> not just a good idea!

It must be remembered, also, that the stakes are high, not just for you, but for your children and your children's children. Listen, carefully again, to the warning words of the Lord: “...*But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments; And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that ye break my covenant: I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror...*” (Leviticus 26:14-16).

<sup>16</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30; 2Peter 3:9; 2 Corinthians 7:10; Romans 2:4; John 14:24; John 14:15



To reiterate, through President Biden's 'Open-Boarder' Policy has the Lord brought terrorism to our shores? To God-fearing people who attempt to keep the commandments of God to the best of their ability, it's plain to see that our nation is in dire need of individual and collective repentance. Yes, the Lord has brought terrorism to our shores!

The Lord loves us very much and wants us to succeed (as our forefathers did), just as parents want their own children to succeed; but when your children disobey your righteous commands, what do you do? You correct them because you love them so very much! Likewise, Heavenly Father loves us – so much so that He gave His only begotten Son:

*16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

*17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.*

*(John 3:16-17)*

Salvation is conditional.<sup>17</sup> Repentance is required. Just as you require repentance from your children when they go astray, so, too, our Heavenly Father requires repentance from us! Why? Not because He wants to condemn us, but on the contrary, He wants to save us from destruction – just as you want to save your own children from destruction. It's really a no-brainer!

Heavenly Father doesn't want to appoint terror over us any more than you want to appoint terror over your children. But there comes a time when your children need to learn that your restrictions, or commandments, are given for their protection and survival! Likewise, our Heavenly Father has given us the Ten Commandments for our protection and survival! Use them! *Believe me*, there's a lot of 'ammo' in that arsenal!

The rotten or corrupt apples must be removed from the barrel of good, healthy apples, otherwise the whole barrel will become rotten

<sup>17</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Matthew 4:17.

and corrupted. Ironically, the unrighteous justices (primarily democrats) could redeem themselves overnight, and become the ultimate heroes, as did Mikhail Gorbachev in 1989. He, then President of the U.S.S.R., tore down the Berlin Wall "...and the Cold War between East and West was brought to a halt. In 1990, the Nobel committee gave President Gorbachev the main credit for this by awarding him the Peace Prize."<sup>18</sup> President Gorbachev could see the corrupting effect that the rotten apple of Communism was having on the people. "...He sought to reform communism, and introduced the concepts 'glasnost' (openness) and 'perestroika' (change)...".<sup>19</sup>

On June 12, 1987, President Ronald Reagan encouraged President Gorbachev to "tear down this wall"<sup>20</sup> while visiting the wall between East and West Germany. Instead of retaliating, President Gorbachev became a great example of humility, restraint and applying the principle of repentance and/or perestroika (change). President Gorbachev's actions "...started a chain reaction which led to the fall of communism in Europe."<sup>21</sup>

My hope and prayer is that our justices will display that same humility, restraint and courage to repent (change) in order to claim victory, not only for themselves, but for our nation as a whole!

Repentance works for all religious denominations and the Lord loves all of His children, Christian and non-Christian alike. But it must be remembered that God "...*created all things by Jesus Christ*" (Ephesians 3:9).

Christian or non-Christian?

Repentance or non-repentance?

We all have the right to choose; but, again, it must be remembered that we haven't the right to choose the consequences. That's the reason *terror* is upon us today!

<sup>18</sup> "Mikhail Gorbachev – Facts." Nobelprize.org. Nobel Media AB 2014. Web. 5 Sept. 2014. <[http://www.nobelprize.org/nobel\\_prizes/peace/laureates/1990/gorbachev-facts.html](http://www.nobelprize.org/nobel_prizes/peace/laureates/1990/gorbachev-facts.html)>.

<sup>19</sup> Ibid.

<sup>20</sup> "What is Ronald Reagan's Tear down this wall speech About?" Cliff's Notes. Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt.16 Sept. 2014. <[www.Home>Cliff'sNotes>History>WhatisRonaldReagan'steardownthiswallspeechabout?>](http://www.Home>Cliff'sNotes>History>WhatisRonaldReagan'steardownthiswallspeechabout?>)>.

<sup>21</sup> "Mikhail Gorbachev – Facts."

What did our forefathers and ancestors choose?

## CHAPTER THREE

# WHY ARE WE A CHRISTIAN NATION?

## (PART 1)

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The dictionary defines Gentile as 1. Among Jews, one not a Jew.<sup>22</sup>

The King James version of the bible teaches us that Christ set up His church, initially, with Peter, James, and John as the head apostles.<sup>23</sup>

Later Paul was called to take the gospel among the gentiles, or the nations that were not Jewish. Although Paul did most the conversion work among the gentiles, Acts 10 tells us that Peter (the head apostle) was commanded in a vision to take the gospel to the gentiles; and that Cornelius was the first gentile to be baptized – and it was under the direction of Peter.

I would like to remind the Supreme Court justices and other leaders that visions (such as Peter received), revelations and inspirations can occur outside the Hall of Justice and other such places.

Irregardless of nationality the gospel now is extended to “... *whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins...*” (Acts 10:43) and again, “...*Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life...*” (Acts 11:18).

Should we as gentiles be appreciative of the Jews for their sacrifices on our behalf? All of the original apostles, including Paul, suffered a martyrdom’s death on our behalf. The only apostle not to suffer

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<sup>22</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 557.

<sup>23</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV):Bible Dictionary. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979, 749,709,715.

martyrdom was John, who was exiled to the island of Patmos where he wrote the Book of Revelation.<sup>24</sup>

Yes, we should be on our knees daily thanking our Father in Heaven for the Jew's diligence and long-suffering in sharing the gospel with the Gentile nations. It is the sole reason that the nations throughout the world have been blessed – especially the United States of America!

In 1966, Walt Disney filmed a movie entitled "Follow Me, Boys", starring Fred MacMurray, Vera Miles, Kurt Russell, Lillian Gish, Charles Ruggles and others. It involves a man (Fred MacMurray) who wants to win the love of a woman (Vera Miles) and does so by starting up a boy scout troop in a small mid-western town. Though, initially, his primary goal was the love of a woman, they marry, and together they (through twenty more years of boy scout troops) help produce great leaders throughout the world. They do this by instilling within the boys the importance of following good leadership.

Listen to the chorus of the movie's theme song, 'Follow Me, Boys':

*Follow me boys, follow me,*

*When you think you're really beat*

*That's the time to lift your feet,*

*And follow me boys, follow me,*

*Pick 'em up, put 'em down and follow me.*

*Pick 'em up, put 'em down pick 'em up.*<sup>25</sup>

Likewise, the Savior wants us to follow Him. "...*And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me...*"

(Matthew 10:38).

From Adam and Eve to the present, Heavenly Father and the Savior have commanded and pleaded with the people to follow them. Why?

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<sup>24</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV):Bible Dictionary, 762-763. Revelation 1:9-10.

<sup>25</sup> "Follow Me, Boys." 6 Sept. 2011. <[www.followmeboys/scoutsongs/youtube](http://www.followmeboys/scoutsongs/youtube)>.

Just as the character Fred MacMurray plays in ‘Follow Me, Boys’, he knows how to avoid the pitfalls that will enable the boys to live a happy, joyful, and peaceful life.

But, as in life, there are those that just ‘don’t want to play’. Fred MacMurray confronts one such boy and through diligence, long-suffering and patience converts the boy. Eventually that boy becomes one of the greatest leaders of them all.

We learn through scripture that there were quite a few spirits in the pre-existence that just ‘didn’t want to play’. Satan was the leader of that gang that didn’t want to follow the Savior’s plan.<sup>26</sup>

As a result there was a war in heaven, with Michael the Archangel – the Savior’s right-hand man, defeating Satan and his hosts.<sup>27</sup> The penalty for rebelling against Heavenly Father and the Savior’s plan, and losing the war, was their inability to receive a body – thereby forfeiting their opportunity to come to earth with a body (Jude 1:6). They, in essence, forfeited their opportunity to repent and to follow our Savior, to be resurrected like our Savior (with body and spirit reunited) and, hence, to gain eternal life. And what is eternal life? The Lord expounds: *“And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent”* (John 17:3).

They want you to know them and to feel comfortable around them just as good friends here upon the earth know each other and feel comfortable around each other. And, *believe me*, when you feel comfortable around your Creator, that, brother, is *Eternal Life!*

But Satan and the evil spirits that followed him are still attempting to thwart the Savior’s plan for our eternal life!

Because they are spirits they can enter our bodies and tempt us to do horrific things – that will not only destroy us, but also our families.

Many of the Savior’s miracles dealt with the casting out of devils from the body. Listen to one such miracle:

*33 And in the synagogue there was a man which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice,*

<sup>26</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Bible Dictionary, 788.

<sup>27</sup> Ibid.

*34 Saying, let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? Art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God.*

*35 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not.*

*Luke 4:33-35*

Notice that the unclean devil recognized our Savior from the pre-existence, where He and Michael the Archangel, and those of us who followed them, defeated Satan and his hosts – and this particular devil. This devil feared Him because he had already been defeated by Him once before.

This devil not only feared Jesus, but also knew Jesus had the power to destroy him; hence the question ‘...art thou come to destroy us?’

Therefore, from the war in heaven<sup>28</sup> to Adam; to Noah; to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; to Moses; to Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel; to Jesus and His chosen apostles – the war has continued, unabated, against Satan and his devils here on earth.

Satan and his devils have succeeded in tempting and persuading man to kill the prophets, Jesus and His apostles, and many valiant Christians to the present day! But why hasn’t Satan and his devils been successful at thwarting the rapid spread of Christianity throughout the world?

If pondered upon, the answer is obvious. As mentioned earlier, they forfeited their opportunity of receiving a body – by not keeping their first estate as mentioned in Jude 1:6.<sup>29</sup> By rejecting the Savior’s plan, thereby failing to receive a body, they forfeited the opportunity to make the *ultimate sacrifice of laying down one’s life (body)* for his wife, friends, and faith – as Jesus taught us – and as He did!

Without a body the devils were now unable to follow Jesus and make the ultimate sacrifice – a sacrifice that produces *love!* The Savior elaborates:

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<sup>28</sup> Ibid.

<sup>29</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Jude 1:6.

*13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.*

*14 Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.  
John 15:13-14*

Without the attribute of love the devils were powerless in attempting to thwart the advancement of Christianity throughout the world.

After Jesus and the apostles laid down their lives for the truth, who else could be categorized as His ‘friends’ – by keeping His commandments and striving for the truth?

Augustine, John Wycliffe, Martin Luther, William Tyndale, John Calvin, Charles Wesley and the prophet Joseph Smith are but a few of Christ’s followers that can be categorized as His ‘friends’.<sup>30</sup>

In summary, without a body, Satan and his devils were unable to follow the Savior (by laying down their lives for their friends). They forfeited the right of exercising the Principle of Repentance, of being baptized, and of receiving the Holy Ghost – all commandments of His gospel. They forfeited the opportunity to be resurrected as the Savior,<sup>31</sup> and to live eternally with Him.

Even though we, who have bodies, were valiant to Christ’s plan in the pre-existence and kept our first estate as mentioned in Jude 1:6, it must be remembered that our exaltation is not guaranteed. We must endure to the end in remembering Him, by keeping His commandments.<sup>32</sup> He has said, “...*if ye love me, keep my commandments...*” (John 14:15).

Jesus instituted the sacrament at Passover time to help us remember Him on a weekly basis.<sup>33</sup> He promises us, if we keep this commandment and His other commandments, that Satan and his devils will pass us over. He promises, too, that His spirit will be with us to guide us in this life.<sup>34</sup>

<sup>30</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): John 15:14.

<sup>31</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Bible Dictionary, 788. St. Luke 24: 37-40.

<sup>32</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): John 14:15.

<sup>33</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Matthew 26:17-19; 26-28.

<sup>34</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): John 14:16.



Sacrament time is the time that the Principle of Repentance needs to be applied. We need to ponder our thoughts and actions of the previous week, recognize the sins committed, abandon those sins, confess those sins to God or other priesthood authority, and make restitution for those sins as necessary.<sup>35</sup>

If we remember Him by partaking of the sacrament weekly, keeping His other commandments, and applying the Principle of Repentance – we, too, as the Christians of old, will be recognized by the Savior Himself as His ‘friends’.

A particularly great group of people that the Savior refers to as His ‘friends’ were the Puritans and Pilgrims – the founders of our great nation!<sup>36</sup>

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<sup>35</sup> Kimball, Spencer W.. *The Miracle of Forgiveness*. Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1969, 149-200. “Copyright” Deseret Book Company. Used by Permission.

<sup>36</sup> “The Puritans v.The Pilgrims in Early America – US.History.” US History Scene. 22 May 2013. <[www.ushistoryscene.com/uncategorized/puritanspilgrims/](http://www.ushistoryscene.com/uncategorized/puritanspilgrims/)>.

## CHAPTER FOUR

# WHY ARE WE A CHRISTIAN NATION?

## (PART 2)

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Just as we celebrate the birth of our Savior at Christmas, we, too, celebrate His death and resurrection at Easter.

Likewise, Thanksgiving Day is a national holiday commemorating the landing of the Puritans and Pilgrims in 1607 (Jamestown) and 1620 (Plymouth Rock in Massachusetts). Annually, we give thanks to our Father in heaven for preparing and sending these great individuals to help found our great nation!

In the words of Gavin Finley MD, an expatriate Australian physician and a 30+ year resident of the United States: "...They (the Puritans) became noticeable in the early 1500's...At that time a certain company of Christian activists were beginning to stir and kick within the English mother country. These were the people who sparked the English Reformation. As a result of their zeal and commitment to reform and to 'purify' the Church of England they would come to be known as the Puritans...."<sup>37</sup>

The dictionary defines Puritan as 1. One of a group of English Protestants who in the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries advocated simpler forms of creed and ritual in the Church of England and 2. One who is scru-

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<sup>37</sup> Finley MD, Gavin. "Puritan History: Past, Present, and Future." End Time Pilgrim. Sept. 2003. <[www.introduction.endtimepilgrim.org/puritan.htm](http://www.introduction.endtimepilgrim.org/puritan.htm)>.

pulously strict and exacting in his religious or moral life; often used disparagingly (to belittle or discredit).<sup>38</sup>

William Tyndale (1494-1536), like the apostles of old who suffered a martyr's death, was 'scrupulously strict and exacting in his religious and moral life...' as taught by Christ Himself. He was a 'puritan' in the true sense of the word in attempting to 'purify' the Church of England and the papacy in Rome by enabling the common folk of England to have access to the scriptures in English. He would later say, "If God spare my life, ere many years pass, I will cause a boy that driveth the plough shall know more of the scriptures than thou dost",<sup>39</sup> speaking to the Church of England and the papacy in Rome.

William Tyndale could speak eight languages fluently, and he made it his life's passion to translate the bible into English; he wanted his fellow Englishmen to have the word of God in their native tongue. Neither King Henry VIII nor the Roman Catholic Church in Rome wanted that to occur. It was taken as a direct challenge to the hegemony of both the Roman Catholic Church and English laws – in order, of course, to maintain their rulings and power!

In 1525, William Tyndale, a priest in the Catholic Church, was the first person to translate the New Testament into English. It was considered a heresy to do so, but he counsels his fellow Englishmen and the world with these 'puritan' words: "...Let it not make thee despair, neither discourage thee, O reader, that it is forbidden thee in pain of life or goods, or that it is made breaking of the king's peace, or treason unto his highness, to read the Word of thy soul's health – for if God be on our side, what matter maketh it who be against us, be they bishops, cardinals, popes."<sup>40</sup>

Not many years hence would the Puritans and Pilgrims arrive first in Jamestown (1607) and, later, in Plymouth Rock (1620) with

<sup>38</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 1094.

<sup>39</sup> "Creative Commons Attribution – Share Alike License, William Tyndale." May 2014. Wikipedia. <[www.creativecommonsattribution/sharealikelicense/williamtyndale/](http://www.creativecommonsattribution/sharealikelicense/williamtyndale/)>.

<sup>40</sup> "Translator of the first English New Testament." Christian History. 8 Aug. 2008. <[www.christianhistory.net/william\\_tyndale](http://www.christianhistory.net/william_tyndale)>.

the Law of the Gospel in their hands; It was called the Geneva Bible, being composed in Geneva, Switzerland, in 1557.

Later King James VI and King James I commissioned forty-seven scholars to conceive a new version because of perceived problems as detected by the Puritans. It was begun in 1604 and completed in 1611. It is known as the King James Version (KJV). Ninety percent of the King James Version coincides with William Tyndale's translation.

Armed with the Word of God, these Pilgrims were not unlike the early Israelites, under the leadership of Joshua;<sup>41</sup> they were now prepared by the Lord, Himself, to enter the Promised Land.

The dictionary defines Pilgrim as 1. One of the English Puritans who founded Plymouth Colony in 1620 and 2. One who journeys to some sacred place for religious motives.<sup>42</sup>

Just as Israel was a sacred place (Promised Land) for the Israelites, so, too, was the United States of America a Promised Land for the Gentiles.<sup>43</sup>

It's no accident we're here, despite untapped green energy, climate change, and the Democratic Party taking God, Himself, out of their Party Platform in the 2012 General Election.<sup>44</sup>

To reiterate the words of William Tyndale "...Let it not make thee despair, neither yet discourage thee, O reader,...for if God be on our side, what matter maketh it who be against us..."<sup>45</sup>

During the Benghazi scandal of 2012, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton stated, "...what matter does it make...?"<sup>46</sup> concerning the four dead Americans. My question to Mrs. Clinton would be: Will 'God

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<sup>41</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV):Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979. Joshua 1:1-3.

<sup>42</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 1024.

<sup>43</sup> The Book of Mormon. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1981. Ether 2:7-12.

<sup>44</sup> Hollowell, Billy. "Dems Remove All References to 'God' From 2012 Party Platform." TheBlaze. 4 Sept. 2012. <[www.theblaze.com/stories/2012/09/04/dems-remove-all-references-to-god-from-2012-party-platform/](http://www.theblaze.com/stories/2012/09/04/dems-remove-all-references-to-god-from-2012-party-platform/)>.

<sup>45</sup> Christian History. <[www.christianhistory.net/williamtyndale](http://www.christianhistory.net/williamtyndale)>.

<sup>46</sup> Pavlich, Katie. "Benghazi Testimony One Year Later: Hillary Clinton Declares 'What Difference Does It Make?'" Townhall.Com.. 23 Jan. 2014. <[www.townhall.com/tipsheet/katiepavlich/2014/01/23/benghazi-testimony-one-year-later-hillary-clinton-declares-what-difference-does-it-make-n1783488](http://www.townhall.com/tipsheet/katiepavlich/2014/01/23/benghazi-testimony-one-year-later-hillary-clinton-declares-what-difference-does-it-make-n1783488)>.

be on your side', and give you sound judgment, if you take Him out of your Party Platform?

What difference does it make? God makes all the difference!

So the Israelites, armed with the Mosaic Law, entered the Promised Land (Israel) and prospered. Likewise, the Gentiles (Pilgrims and Puritans) entered their Promised Land (United States of America) and have prospered – armed with not only the Mosaic Law of the Old Testament, but also with the New Testament and it's Higher Law, as taught by Jesus in Matthew 5, 6, and 7.

Would the Israelites have conquered Jericho and the other peoples of the land without obedience to the Mosaic Law (Ten Commandments)?

Would the Gentiles (Pilgrims and Puritans) have conquered the American Indian without obedience to both the Mosaic Law and the Higher Law (Sermon on the Mount) as taught by Jesus in the New Testament?

What difference does it make? Obedience to God's Law makes all the difference (1 Samuel 15:22)!

President Obama and the Democratic Party accused the Republican and Tea Parties of a so-called 'War on Women' because they attempted to educate the women to the dire consequences of breaking God's commandments.

Abortion, or the shedding of innocent blood, is open rebellion against God's commandments! Can you imagine the Savior advocating abortion? He taught just the opposite:

*14 But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Matthew 19:14*

And, again, what are the dire consequences of breaking God's commandments?

*15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.*

*16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall send you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever;*

*17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.*

*John 14:15-17*

The Spirit of the Lord (Holy Ghost, Comforter) cannot dwell in unholy temples.<sup>47</sup>

Hence, President Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, in conjunction with U.N. Ambassador Susan Rice, pushing the U-tube video as the reason for the attack on the Consulate and the Annex in Benghazi could be easily discerned (by the Spirit) as hogwash!

People who earnestly attempt to keep God's commandments are entitled to that spirit of discernment. If you take God out of your life and your platform, don't you think there's a distinct possibility that He might take you out of His life and platform?

Again, the 'War on Women' perpetuated by Bill and Hillary Clinton are notorious and farcical; from his abuse of women as Governor of Arkansas (Gennifer Flowers, Paula Jones, and many others) to his abuse of Monica Lewinsky and others as President of the United States;<sup>48</sup> Mrs. Clinton's lack of action, through not pursuing a divorce or some other corrective measures, condoned and perpetuated his abusive behavior on women for two decades – a *true* 'War on Women'. Political expediency was probably her motive; perjuring himself, coupled with his impeachment, was the result.

Our nation desperately needs to return, through the Principle of Repentance, to the example of our Puritanical ancestors. We need to tediously keep the Ten Commandments and the Higher Law (Sermon on the Mount) as taught by Jesus.

As mentioned earlier, a 'Puritan' is 'one who is scrupulously strict or exacting in religious or moral life'. Would the Sermon on the Mount

<sup>47</sup> The Book of Mormon. Alma 34:36. The Holy Bible (KJV): 1 Corinthians 3:16-17.

<sup>48</sup> "The Bill Clintongate Administration." Tripod. 2001. <[www.gopcapitalist.tripod.com/clintonpage.html](http://www.gopcapitalist.tripod.com/clintonpage.html)>.

be considered ‘scrupulously strict or exacting’ compared to the Ten Commandments (Mosaic Law)? The Savior teaches:

*21 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:*

*22 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, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire*

*Matthew 5:21-22*

In other words, if we conquer the ‘scrupulously strict or exacting’ commandment of not becoming ‘angry with our brother without a cause’ then we will more easily conquer the commandment of ‘Thou shalt not kill’! Again, the Savior teaches:

*27 Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:*

*28 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 5:27-28*

Likewise, if we conquer the ‘scrupulously strict or exacting’ commandment of ‘not looking on a woman to lust after her’ we will more easily conquer the Mosaic commandment of ‘Thou shalt not commit adultery’.

Finally, in closing out Matthew, Chapter 5, the Savior teaches:

*43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy.*

*44 But I say unto you, love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;...*

*Matthew 5:43-44*

So, again, if we conquer the ‘scrupulously strict or exacting’ commandment of ‘loving our enemies’ we will more easily conquer the Mosaic counterpart of ‘Love thy neighbor’.

Our Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors were truly ‘scrupulously strict or exacting’ in keeping the laws and commandments of God.

The word ‘law’ is defined as 1. A rule of conduct, recognized by custom or decreed by formal enactment, considered by a community, nation, or other authoritatively constituted group as binding upon its members,<sup>49</sup> and 2. Divine will, command or precept, especially as expressed in the Scriptures; also, a body or system of rules having such divine origin.<sup>50</sup>

Thus, our Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors brought the ‘law’ of the gospel with them in the form of the Geneva Bible and the King James Version (KJV) of the Bible.

History has proven that all nations founded upon Judeo-Christian principles have, initially, been successful. When sin becomes prevalent the people lose favor with God and progress is hindered – and sometimes completely forfeited, as in the days of Noah, Sodom, Gomorrah, and Israel itself. In case you haven’t noticed we, as a nation, are beginning to lose favor with God through our sinful and corrupt laws – Roe v Wade (abortion), homosexuality and same-sex marriage, not enforcing the death penalty for the shedding of innocent blood, and the like!

But through the application of the Principle of Repentance, daily and weekly, the Empires of David, Solomon, and the missionary efforts of Paul to the Gentiles – Europe, England, and, eventually, America, have flourished. The key has been applying the Principle of Repentance consistently on their journey.

Someone out there might be asking, “How can you be 100% sure that the Puritans and Pilgrims utilized the scriptures after landing in America?” A study of our American documents yields the answer to that question. The Mayflower Compact of 1620, the Fundamental

<sup>49</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 766.

<sup>50</sup> Ibid.



Orders of Connecticut in 1639, the Massachusetts School Laws of 1642, the Bloody Tenet of 1644, the Maryland Toleration Act of 1649, the Rhode Island Colonial Charter of 1663, and the Pennsylvania Charter of Privileges of 1701 are but a few of the American documents depicting the *sheer reliance on Christ* and the King James Version of the Bible.

The Mayflower Compact of 1620 was signed by forty-one men among whom were William Bradford and Miles Standish. These forty-one men were great-grandfathers and great-great grandfathers of the writers of our great Constitution. Listen to the words and the purpose they give for this Compact: "...In the name of God, Amen. We whose names are underwritten...having undertaken, for the glory of God, and advancement of the Christian faith,...do by these presents (this document) solemnly and mutually in the presence of God, and one another, covenant (promise) and combine ourselves together into a civil body politic (group organized for government) for our better ordering and preservation and furtherance of the ends aforesaid..."<sup>51</sup>

The Fundamental Orders of Connecticut in 1639 was the first written constitution in America. The people in Connecticut remembered the cruel authoritarian acts of England's rulers and knew it was due to the fact that England didn't have a written constitution. Listen, again, to the introduction to the eleven orders given in this constitution: "...to maintain and preserve the liberty and purity of the gospel of our Lord, Jesus, which we now profess..."<sup>52</sup>

The Massachusetts School Laws of 1642 was the first law passed in the American colonies having to do with education and "...required all parents to teach their children a trade and how to read well enough to understand the Bible and the laws...". The court decreed the actual law as follows: "...the chosen men...shall have power to take account from time to time of all parents and masters, and of their children... especially of their ability to read and understand the principles of religion and the capital laws of this country..."<sup>53</sup> Does that sound

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<sup>51</sup> Starr, Todd, and Curti. *Living American Documents*. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 5.

<sup>52</sup> *Living American Documents*, 10.

<sup>53</sup> *Living American Documents*, 12.

like the separation of Church and State? The courts back then were righteous and passed laws that insured that the parents and masters taught Christian principles of religion – for they had already learned the dire consequences, under the English crown, of not being able to teach Christianity!

These great men understood that if their primary purpose for starting a colony was correct, ‘...for the glory of God, and the advancement of the Christian faith...’ as mentioned in the Mayflower Compact, then their secondary purpose would be fulfilled, ‘...for better ordering and preservation...’.

The Sermon on the Mount, the Higher Law as taught by Jesus, fulfilled the Mosaic or Lesser Law as delivered by Moses.<sup>54</sup> The Sermon on the Mount comprises Chapters 5, 6, and 7 of Matthew, and the Savior concludes His Sermon with this *word to the wise*.

*24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, who built his house upon a rock:*

*25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.*

*Matthew 7:24-25*

These great documents prove that our great nation was founded upon a sure foundation – *Christ, the rock of our salvation*. And because of that ‘...our better ordering and preservation...’ has followed. The cause (Christ) brought to pass the effect (better ordering and preservation), not vice versa. The effect (better ordering and preservation) didn’t bring to pass the cause (their belief in Christ), as the Mayflower Compact expressly depicts.

Although Christ must come first (for ultimate success), the framers of the Constitution learned much from Roger Williams in his twelve point treatise of 1644 entitled, ‘The Bloody Tenet’. Roger Williams understood that true Christians must be tolerant of all religions in order

<sup>54</sup> The Book of Mormon. 3 Nephi 15:2-9.

to convert them to the truth; my great-grandfather, Charles Adams, a bishop in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and civic leader put it this way: “...you can catch more flies with molasses than with vinegar...”<sup>55</sup>

Listen to Roger Williams’ tenth tenet in his treatise: “...An enforced uniformity of religion throughout a nation or civil state confounds (brings to nothing) the civil and religious, denies the principles of Christianity and civility (civilized conduct) and that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh...”<sup>56</sup>

Roger Williams founded the colony of Rhode Island in 1634, but it wasn’t until 1663 that the English Parliament granted a revised charter that enabled Rhode Island to become the first of the colonies with complete freedom of religion. What a profound effect Roger Williams had upon the First Amendment to our great Constitution!

Like Roger Williams, Lord Baltimore of Maryland and William Penn of Pennsylvania were instrumental in fostering religious toleration among the Roman Catholic, Protestant, Quaker, and to all believers in God, Christian and Jew alike.<sup>57</sup>

Thus, it’s blatantly clear that our nation was founded upon Judeo-Christian principles, primary of which are exercising Faith in Christ by keeping His commandments, Repentance when we make mistakes, Baptism, and receiving the Holy Ghost – as Christ did after His baptism.<sup>58</sup> All Christian denominations possess these principles and ordinances of the gospel in one form or another!

And we welcome the Jew, the Hindu, the Muslim and any other religion into our culture, but we do not apologize for adhering to our Judeo-Christian principles. For Christ commands us, “Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord...” (2 Timothy 1:8). Christ is the sole reason that we have become the greatest nation the world has ever known! The Puritans and the Pilgrims taught and served

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<sup>55</sup> Johnson, Beatrice Adams. “Life Story of Charles Adams; Pioneer, Church and Civic Leader.” Family Search. <<https://familysearch.org/patron/charlesadams/pioneer/>>.

<sup>56</sup> Living American Documents, 16.

<sup>57</sup> Living American Documents, 17-19, 23.

<sup>58</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Matthew 5:19; Matthew 3:6-17; Acts 8:16-17.

their children (our founding fathers) as Christ taught them in the King James Version of the Bible. We were a nation, initially, founded upon serving and loving each other as Christ taught – not killing innocent embryos and fetuses out of convenience! Only an idiot, an imbecile, a moron, or a person possessed by a devil would forsake the very principles that made you the greatest civilization that ever lived! Do you, honestly, think that you can improve upon Christianity?

I, honestly, don't think you're idiots, imbeciles or morons but I do, honestly, think that you're possessed by a devil if you think we can improve upon Christianity!

The Lord prospers those that defend what He accomplished here on earth through His atonement. It's difficult to defend the principles and ordinances of the gospel, but through Timothy the Lord, again, commands us “*...but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God*” (2 Timothy 1:8).

Robert Downey Jr., the actor, and Ray Charles, the musician, both experienced most difficult repentance in changing from substance abuse to a more controlled environment.<sup>59</sup> They both experienced multiple setbacks in their rehab efforts, but once they recognized their sin of substance abuse and abandoned it through rehab, only then could they become the great ‘Iron Men’<sup>60</sup> that we knew they could become!

In conclusion, what *Roe v Wade* has perpetuated in this country has made the holocaust<sup>61</sup> look like child's play; over seventy-five million babies murdered under the guise of the ‘right to choose’! The *unrighteous* presidents and judges have “*...made the commandment of God...*” ‘Thou shalt not kill’ “*...of none effect by your tradition...*” (Matthew 15:6). They have enabled *Roe v Wade* to become a tradition in this country since 1973 -- fifty years! An abomination!

Were the babies given the right to choose? Yet our constitution explicitly guarantees “...the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of

<sup>59</sup> “Robert Downey Jr.” Famous & Celebrity Drug Addicts. 2015. <[www.famouscelebritydrugaddicts.com/robert-downey-jr.htm](http://www.famouscelebritydrugaddicts.com/robert-downey-jr.htm)>

“Ray Charles.” Famous & Celebrity Drug Addicts. 2015. <[www.famouscelebritydrugaddicts.com/ray-charles.htm](http://www.famouscelebritydrugaddicts.com/ray-charles.htm)>.

<sup>60</sup> “Robert Downey Jr..”

<sup>61</sup> “The Holocaust.” History. 2015. <[www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii/the-holocaust](http://www.history.com/topics/world-war-ii/the-holocaust)>.

happiness...”<sup>62</sup> for all individuals. Once ‘Conception’ (the union of a male sperm and a female ovum or egg) has occurred, an individual (embryo) is formed.<sup>63</sup> Conception will be discussed in the next chapter!

As mentioned in Chapter 2, Isaiah the prophet relates that in the latter days the people will be calling “...*evil good and good evil...*” (Isaiah 5:20).

The dictionary defines abortion and aborticide as

**1. The intentional destruction of the fetus in the womb.**<sup>64</sup>

These people murdering innocent life under the guise of the right to choose and convenience are calling ‘evil good’.

*Recognize the sin!*

Our Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors would have recognized it – for they are the reason we give thanks, every November, to God for this precious Promised Land. They are the main reason we are a Christian nation!

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<sup>62</sup> Living American Documents, 50.

<sup>63</sup> “Infants Remembered in Silence.” Iris Remembers. 2009-2015. <[www.irisremembers.com/resources/development.cfm](http://www.irisremembers.com/resources/development.cfm)>.

<sup>64</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 4.

## CHAPTER FIVE

# STEPS TO REPENTANCE

## 1. RECOGNITION OF SIN

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The apostle Spencer W. Kimball, in his book ‘The Miracle of Forgiveness’, stated the following: “Before the many elements of repentance are set in motion there has to be a first step. That first step is the turning point at which the sinner consciously *recognizes* his sin. This is the awakening, the conviction of guilt. Without this there can be no true repentance because there is no acknowledgment of sin...”<sup>65</sup>

Later in his book the apostle differentiates between sincere godly sorrow and the sorrow of the world in connection with sin:

“Often people indicate that they have repented when all they have done is to express a regret for a wrong act. But true repentance is marked by that godly sorrow that changes, transforms, and saves. To be sorry is not enough. Perhaps the felon in the penitentiary, coming to realize the high price he must pay for his folly, may wish he had not committed the crime. That is not repentance. The vicious man who is serving a stiff sentence for rape may be very sorry he did the deed, but he is not repentant if his heavy sentence is the only reason for his sorrow. That is the sorrow of the world. The truly repentant man is sorry before he is apprehended. He is sorry even if his secret is never known. He desires to make voluntary amends. The culprit has not ‘godly sorrow’ who must be found out by being reported or by

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<sup>65</sup> Kimball, Spencer W. *The Miracle of Forgiveness*. Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1969, 150. “Copyright” Deseret Book Company. Used by Permission.

chains of circumstances which finally bring the offense to light...<sup>66</sup> as was the case with President Clinton and Monica Lewinsky. He denied and lied to the American people for nearly a year until the offense was irrefutably brought to light. Spencer W. Kimball continues: "...The thief is not repentant who continues in grave offenses until he is caught. Repentance of the godly type means that one comes to recognize the sin and, voluntarily and without pressure from outside sources, begins his transformation. Paul put it this way to the Corinthian saints:

*9 Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing.*

*10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.*

*2 Corinthians 7:9-10<sup>67</sup>*

Hopefully the justices of the United States and the people themselves will experience this 'godly sorrow' spoken of, for allowing anti-Christian legislation (homosexuality, same-sex marriage, abortion and the like) to become legal – and, thus, to become a tradition in our society.

Many pro-abortion advocates argue that the embryo or fetus inside the mother's womb is not a human being and, therefore, the abortion is justified. If you profess to be a Christian I would have you pick up the bible and turn to the Book of Jeremiah 1:4-5. Put on your thinking caps and follow the logic carefully:

*4 Then the word of the Lord came unto me, saying,*

*5 Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.*

*Jeremiah 1:4-5*

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<sup>66</sup> The Miracle of Forgiveness, 153.

<sup>67</sup> Ibid.

In other words, Jeremiah (and all of us) lived with Heavenly Father in a pre-existent world where we were sanctified and ordained to come forth, maybe not as a prophet like Jeremiah, but, nonetheless, to come forth to a foreordained calling. Our being here is no accident!

Now, keep those thinking caps on! The dictionary defines conception as

1. Formation of a viable zygote by the union of the male sperm and female ovum; fertilization

and

2. The entity formed by the union of the male sperm and female ovum; an embryo or zygote.<sup>68</sup>

Thus, at conception, the Lord places our pre-existent spirit into our embryo; and we become a living soul (spirit and body).<sup>69</sup> To kill that ‘living soul’ would be murder!

James teaches this principle well: *“For as the body without the spirit is dead...”* (James 2:26) so, too, the spirit gives the body (embryo) life at conception – the time at which God begins to form us in the belly (womb).

It’s plain to see that killing that which God has ‘...formed...in the belly...’ is murder. The only exceptions would be the saving of the mother’s life, incest and rape. Only 3%-5% of all abortions occur with these exceptions.<sup>70</sup>

*Recognize* abortion for what it is – a heinous sin of murder against humanity – just as the holocaust was a heinous sin of murder against humanity. Hitler didn’t have the right to kill innocent Jews just because they were inconvenient for him and he didn’t want them around. Likewise, women haven’t the right to kill innocent life, formed in the womb by God, just because they’re inconvenient for her and she doesn’t want them around. Murder is murder!

<sup>68</sup> Farlex. “Conception.” The Free Dictionary. 2011. Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt. 2011. <[www.freeencyclopedia.com/conception](http://www.freeencyclopedia.com/conception)>.

<sup>69</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979. Genesis 2:7; Zechariah 12:1; Revelation 11:11.

<sup>70</sup> Shettles, Landrum, and David Rorvik. Rites of Life. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Publishing House, 1983.



The woman has the so-called ‘right to choose’ prior to conception, but according to the Mosaic Law (The Ten Commandments), she forfeits any rights once conception has occurred. Similarly, a man may choose to rob a grocery store, but if a death results, he forfeits any rights to choose the consequences. And *Roe v Wade* doesn’t make the act of abortion any less a sin in God’s eyes, the previous exceptions excluded.

William Wordsworth, in 1804, wrote his famous ode, ‘Intimations of Immortality From Recollections of Early Childhood’. He could plainly see, as revealed to the Prophet Jeremiah, that we lived in a pre-mortal world prior to this earth life. Listen to his beautiful words involving our loving Father in heaven:

*...Our birth is but a sleep and a forgetting:*

*The Soul that rises with us, our life’s star*

*Hath had elsewhere it’s setting,*

*And cometh from afar:*

*Not in entire forgetfulness,*

*And not in utter nakedness,*

*But trailing clouds of glory do we come*

*From God, who is our home...<sup>71</sup>*

As Christ was sent by our Heavenly Father to redeem man from the Fall of Adam, we, too, were sent, ‘...trailing clouds of glory do we come From God, who is our home:...' to help Christ fulfill His mission of bringing “...to pass the immortality and eternal life of man” (Moses 1:39).

We are here to help our fellow man see the truth concerning Christ. He created all men, including Bill O’Reilly, as spirits, before the foundation of the world. Hear the words of Paul to the Ephesians concerning our Heavenly Father, making Christ the Executor of the

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<sup>71</sup> “Ode: Intimations of Immortality.” Wikipedia. 14 Nov. 2014. <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ode:\_Intimations\_of\_Immortality>.

creation of all the spirits of men before the foundation of the world – or before the creation of Adam and Eve in the flesh: “...*And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:...*” (Ephesians 3:9).

It can't be any plainer than that!

On April 9, 2014, President Barack Obama spoke at the memorial service of three Fort Hood veterans (Danny Ferguson, Timothy Owens, and Carlos Rodriguez) who lost their lives at the hands of a fellow army soldier with mental problems.

Directing his comments to the surviving families, President Obama said, and I quote: “...As a father I can't pretend to fathom the anguish you are suffering...”<sup>72</sup>

The President did a good job and displayed empathy. He quoted scripture that “...God is love...” and that “...love endureth forever...”<sup>73</sup>

Just as President Obama, admittedly, can't pretend to fathom the anguish the surviving families were suffering, can any of us comprehend or fathom the anguish our Father in Heaven must have endured sending His prophets, and especially His Beloved Son Jesus Christ – knowing He was going to be slaughtered as a Lamb?

We must remember that:

*16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

*17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved*

*John 3:16-17*

Do you think God loves those special spirits, being aborted, any less than He loves us? Can we comprehend or fathom the anguish our Father in Heaven must be enduring each time one of those special spirits are aborted?

<sup>72</sup> Obama, Barack. Live broadcast. Fox News. Sean Hannity. Ft. Hood. 9 Apr. 2014.

<sup>73</sup> Ibid.

Abortion and Roe v Wade is a man-made law – not God’s law. God’s law, as mentioned earlier, but bears repeating, explicitly states in the sixth of the Ten Commandments “...*Thou shalt not kill...*” (Exodus 20:13).

We know through scripture that Herod attempted to kill the Savior by ordering the deaths of all male children two years of age and younger in the town of Bethlehem. Joseph, the husband of Mary, was warned in a dream to flee into Egypt before the execution.<sup>74</sup>

Except for the intervention by our Heavenly Father in preserving the Savior (through Joseph’s dream), the Savior would not have been able to fulfill the mission He had been foreordained to fulfill from the foundation of the world. Those of us who have been forgiven of our sins know we would never have experienced that peace of conscience that we now enjoy – without the Savior’s atonement!

Likewise, Roe v Wade mandates, similar to Herod’s mandate, the killing of millions of unborn children sent here to earth by their Heavenly Father to fulfill their foreordained missions. To kill that body (embryo) after conception is to kill a spirit who was valiant to Christ’s Plan of Salvation in the pre-mortal world – as was the Prophet Jeremiah!

The dictionary defines ‘foreordain’ as

1. To decree or appoint in advance

or

2. To fix the future or fate in advance.<sup>75</sup>

As Ephesians states, not only the Savior, but we, were foreordained to come to earth at this time to learn more about the Plan of Salvation with the opportunity to repent, to be baptized, and to keep the commandments Jesus taught, so that we could achieve our full potential. Again, listen to the words of President Spencer W. Kimball of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints concerning murder: “...Murder is so treacherous and far-reaching! Those who lose their possessions may be able to recover their wealth. Those defamed may

<sup>74</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Matthew 2:13-18.

<sup>75</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 521.

still be able to prove themselves above reproach. Even the loss of chastity leaves the soul in mortality with opportunity to recover and repent and to make amends to some degree. But to take a life, whether someone else's or one's own, cuts off the victim's experiences of mortality and thus his opportunity to repent, to keep God's commandments in this earth life. It interferes with his potential of having ...glory added upon [his head] for ever and ever..." (Abraham 3:26).<sup>76</sup>

The bottom line is to recognize the sin based upon the Ten Commandments as given to Moses.

As you *recognize* the sin, you must repent of it by abandoning it, confessing it, and making whatever restitution as necessary for complete forgiveness!

Don't be afraid to repent. The Devil would have you not repent! Why? Because repentance would draw you closer and closer to your Heavenly Father and you would begin to know Him and His great attributes! Heavenly Father longs to be close to His children – just as you long to be close to your children! Heavenly Father desires, *greatly*, for you to *know* Him. "...*And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent...*" (John 17:3).

The dictionary defines 'know' as

1. To be acquainted with through previous encounter, report, etc.; be familiar with.<sup>77</sup>

When we keep His commandment to repent and partake of the sacrament, weekly, as stated in Luke 22:19 "...*This do in remembrance of me*", we become very acquainted with Him through these sacred, weekly encounters; we come to be familiar with Him; we come to *know* Him; we become familiar with His power to take away our sins and give us peace of conscience; we become so happy we want to share that joy and happiness with others; we want to serve Him and please Him!

After fifty years in His Kingdom here upon the earth I can honestly say that I love Him because of these sacred, weekly encounters at

<sup>76</sup> Miracle of Forgiveness, 196.

<sup>77</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 749.

sacrament time. The sacrament has enabled me to ‘always remember Him’ and to *know* Him. To *know* Him is to *love* Him.

Remember that God didn’t send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but on the contrary; to save it and to make you and me happy through the principle of repentance! Use it! It’s a gift to us from Heavenly Father and the Savior through His atonement!

Just say ‘I’m sorry’ and don’t do it anymore – *recognize* the sin! It’s not that difficult, considering the rewards!

## CHAPTER SIX

# STEPS TO REPENTANCE

## 2. ABANDON THE SIN

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Even though Robert Downey Jr. and Ray Charles recognized their sin, their repentance couldn't continue without *abandoning* the sin. And due to the severe addiction of both men, rehab was most difficult and relapse occurred several times. Abandoning the sin was, probably, the most difficult part of their repentance.

As mentioned in Chapter Two one cannot in good conscience proclaim to be Christian and not keep His commandments. Unlike Robert Downey Jr. and Ray Charles recognizing their sin, the rebellious judges upholding *Roe v Wade* and repealing the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) of 1996,<sup>78</sup> and on June 26, 2015 legalizing same-sex marriage, are not recognizing the sins of murder and homosexuality associated with their decisions.

In the movie '42', the great Branch Rickey, played by Harrison Ford, broke the color barrier in sports by introducing the great Jackie Robinson to the Brooklyn Dodgers. The owner of the Cincinnati Cardinals called Mr. Rickey to inform him his team was boycotting the Dodgers on their trip to Cincinnati. Mr. Rickey, raising his voice, warned the Cardinal owner that someday he would be standing before the Savior and asked the sobering question "...Did you love your

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<sup>78</sup> Barnes, Robert. "Supreme Court strikes down key part of Defense of Marriage Act." The Washington Post. 26 Jun. 2013. <[www.washingtonpost.com/politics/supreme-court/2013/06/26/f0039814-d9ab-11e2-a016-92547bf094cc\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/supreme-court/2013/06/26/f0039814-d9ab-11e2-a016-92547bf094cc_story.html)>.

neighbor as yourself...?”<sup>79</sup> To love our neighbor as ourselves is a commandment. So, likewise, the presidents and justices (federal, state and local) of today, yesterday and tomorrow will ‘...someday...’ be standing before the Savior, Himself, and asked a similar question “...Did you allow murder, homosexuality, same-sex marriage and fornication to occur without correction...?”<sup>80</sup>

Mr. Rickey understood, as noted in Chapter Three, that Judgment Day<sup>81</sup> will bring to pass judgment according to the commandments of God and not according to the commandments of men (as exhibited in *Roe v Wade* and permissive gay rights legislation). “...*Who hath ears to hear let him hear...*” (Matthew 13:43). Recognize and *abandon* the commandments of men that are not in tune with the commandments of God!

The State of Florida prosecuted George Zimmerman for second degree murder in the death of Trayvon Martin. The case drew national attention similar to the O. J. Simpson case of the 1990’s. George Zimmerman was a neighborhood watch captain and Trayvon Martin was a seventeen year old black youth. Mr. Zimmerman thought Trayvon Martin looked suspicious and he called 911. The 911 dispatcher advised Mr. Zimmerman not to pursue the youth. Mr. Zimmerman pursued the youth and it ultimately ended in the death of Trayvon Martin. Could the death of Trayvon Martin been avoided had Mr. Zimmerman stayed in his car? Probably! But it must be remembered that Mr. Zimmerman did not break a law by pursuing the youth and substantial evidence showed that Trayvon Martin threw the first punch. Harvard law professor Alan Dershowitz stated that it was “...a classic self-defense case...”<sup>82</sup>

It’s tragic that a seventeen year old youth’s death could have been prevented, but again, we must recognize Trayvon Martin’s sin

<sup>79</sup> “42’ – The Jackie Robinson Story.” Warner Bros. Production. 2013. <[www.warnerbros.com/42](http://www.warnerbros.com/42)>.

<sup>80</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979. Acts 17:31; 2 Timothy 4:1; Revelation 7:9-14; 19:11-16.

<sup>81</sup> Ibid.

<sup>82</sup> Dershowitz, Alan. Sean Hannity. Fox News. July 2013.

of initiating the provocation when he struck Mr. Zimmerman in the face. Trayvon Martin broke the law when he threw that punch!

We must teach our youth to recognize sin and *abandon* it!

Lou Holtz, one of our great coaches and teachers of youth, won National Championships at both Arkansas and Notre Dame. In 1988, the day before Arkansas played the Oklahoma Sooners for the National Championship, Coach Holtz suspended three of his best players for violating the team's 'do right' policy. He later explained "...discipline isn't what you do to an individual, it's what you do for an individual...".<sup>83</sup>

Coach Holtz taught the youth "...if you're not certain about what decision to make, open the bible...".<sup>84</sup> What better advice to help young people recognize sin and to abandon it than to search the scriptures? There is no better advice!

As the Passover was the annual celebration of Israel's physical deliverance from Egyptian rule, so during the Passover Jesus instituted the Sacrament to keep His disciples in remembrance of the spiritual deliverance from Satan's power He was about to afford them through His Atonement. This spiritual deliverance from Satan's power could only be achieved through partaking of the sacrament on a regular basis, thereby remembering Him continually. *"...And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: This do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you"* (Luke 22:19-20).

Implicit in the scripture '...*This do* in remembrance of me...' is the fact that partaking of the sacrament, weekly, is a commandment, not merely a good idea! Implicit, too, is the need for weekly repentance – reflection of the previous week's works and recognizing sins committed, *abandoning* those sins, and thus, progressing towards that ultimate goal commanded us by the Savior *"...Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect"* (Matthew 5:48)!

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<sup>83</sup> Holtz, Lou. Mike Huckabee. Fox News. 21 July 2013.

<sup>84</sup> Ibid.



George Washington, the Father of our nation, “...was deeply concerned about the nation he had helped to create. Could it weather the storms of political strife?...”<sup>85</sup> Could the people see the importance of religion as it related to morality, and the importance of religion and morality as they related to political prosperity? Listen to these words of President Washington during his farewell address:

“...Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports. In vain would that man claim the tribute of patriotism who should labor to subvert these great pillars of human happiness – these firmest props of the duties of men and citizens...Let it simply be asked, Where is the security for property, for reputation, for life, if the sense of religious obligation desert the oaths which are the instruments of investigation in the courts of justice? And let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle...”<sup>86</sup>

Are the justices, and the Presidents appointing them, laboring to subvert these ‘...great pillars of human happiness...’ religion and morality? If I have a testimony of Christ and that the bible is true, do I not have a ‘...sense of religious obligation...’ to vote against any case brought before me that would go contrary to the bible? Would Heavenly Father or Jesus vote for Roe v Wade or Gay Rights? No! They would do exactly what they did with the woman that was taken in adultery. Jesus said, “...*go, and sin no more...*” (John 8:11). In other words, *abandon the sin!* Would our Heavenly Father or Jesus want unborn babies mutilated from the womb or homosexuality and adultery to go unchecked? *Abandon the sin!* Why? Because They love us and want to save us from the destruction that will be incurred upon us if we’re not obedient to Their commandments! Remember what the Lord promised in Leviticus if we’re not obedient to His commandments? The Lord

<sup>85</sup> Starr, Todd, and Curti. *Living American Documents*. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 101.

<sup>86</sup> *Living American Documents*, 105.

promises “...*I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror...*” (Leviticus 26:16). Take it from someone who has experienced suffering in the extreme due to his lack of obedience, the Lord *does not* mince words!

The devil is extremely patient. A perfect example of this is Gay Rights. Prior to 2000, little was accomplished by the pro-gay rights people. By 2013, fourteen of the fifty states had gay marriage legalized. By October 2014, the Supreme Court had allowed thirty of our fifty states to practice gay marriage.<sup>87</sup> As of February 2015, thirty-six of the fifty apples in the barrel were corrupted and on June 26, 2015, the United States Supreme Court announced the legalization of same-sex marriage throughout all fifty states. The devil has succeeded in keeping the watchmen asleep and he knows he’s on his way to accomplishing what he accomplished in the Roman Empire and elsewhere!

As mentioned in the previous chapter, President Spencer W. Kimball was an apostle in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the 60’s. He went on vacation with his wife to Italy. As a child, he had read the book entitled ‘The Last Days of Pompeii’.<sup>88</sup> He was intrigued by it. He had read it many times, so when he arrived in Italy he was excited to visit the city of Pompeii.

In his own words, he describes his experience.

“...This city of Pompeii, as we know by first-hand observation was a worldly city. The politicians, the wealthy, the socialites, came from Rome to Pompeii near the coast of the Mediterranean. There they spent their money and time in lavish and riotous living.

“The city of Pompeii has now been excavated. The stone roads show the marks of chariot wheels. The roads are lower than the sidewalks and we could see where the hubs of the chariots had worn into the stones at the corners of the blocks. We went into their bakeries where the food

<sup>87</sup> “Same-sex marriage in the United States.” Wikipedia. 26 Dec. 2014. <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Same-sex\_marriage\_in\_the\_United\_States>.

<sup>88</sup> Bulwer-Lytton, Edward. “The Last Days of Pompeii.” Wikipedia. 31 Dec. 2014. <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\_Last\_Days\_of\_Pompeii>.

had been prepared. We went into their homes where they had lived. We went into their theaters and into their baths. Their empty brothels and houses of prostitution were locked with padlocks and carried signs in Italian, ‘For Men Only.’ These places of shame stood after nineteen centuries, a witness of their degradation; and on the walls in these buildings, in color still preserved for these nearly two millennia, were the picture of every vice that could be committed by human beings – all the vicious sins that have accumulated since Cain began his evil ways.

“Then I came to realize why Pompeii was destroyed. There came a time when it just had to be destroyed...”<sup>89</sup>

Are you Presidents and justices listening? Are we approaching the time when we just have ‘to be destroyed’? Are we approaching the time when millions of innocent babies are crying from the dust for vengeance upon the heads of their killers? Are we approaching the time when condoms are handed out at middle school and high school and the students are told to practice ‘safe sex’?<sup>90</sup> The Lord warns through Paul, “...*Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body...*” (1 Corinthians 6:18).

Teach our children to ‘Flee’ fornication. Teach them that it is a serious sin – repugnant to the Lord! Teach them to ‘...go, and sin no more...’. Teach them to recognize and *abandon* the sin!

Inherent in President Washington’s statement ‘...Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports...’ is the fact that absence of religion and morality brings political collapse as occurred in Pompeii and the Roman empire.

The adulterous behavior of both Presidents John F. Kennedy and William J. Clinton are well documented and has initiated moral

<sup>89</sup> Kimball, Spencer W.. *The Miracle of Forgiveness*. Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1969, 138.

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<sup>90</sup> “Safe sex.” Merriam-Webster Dictionary. 2014. <[www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/safe-sex](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/safe-sex)>.

degradation in our day.<sup>91</sup> As President Washington warned, political collapse is inevitable unless the ‘...indispensable supports...’ of religion and morality are upheld. Otherwise our fate will be as Pompeii and the Roman Empire.

The NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) needs to recognize the sin of not addressing the true problems within the black community: the breakdown of the family unit. The main causes of the family breakdown are the following:

1. 71% of black births are out of wedlock
2. 73% of black households are run by women
3. 90% of black homicides are committed by other blacks
4. 10 times more homicides are committed by blacks than white and hispanic combined <sup>92</sup>

The black women need to recognize the sin of fornication, *abandon* it and heed the advice of President Washington – uphold religion and morality; thus, averting the complete breakdown of the black family unit and the collapse of the black community as a whole!

Deneen Borelli, Outreach Director for Freedomworks and a staunch black conservative, also condemns the NAACP for not recognizing black conservatives at their various conventions throughout the country. She, David Webb (Sirius Radio), Dr. Ben Carson and many other black conservatives understand the blight of the black community and have the answers.

And President Obama didn’t do our young people any favors when he counseled them to use birth control before marriage. The Lord didn’t counsel the woman taken in fornication and adultery to use birth control – He counseled her to ‘sin no more.’<sup>93</sup>

<sup>91</sup> Kiger, Patrick J.. “The Sex Life of JFK.” National Geographic. 2015. <channel.nationalgeographic.com/channel/killing-kennedy/articles/the-sex-life-of-jfk/>.

“The Bill Clintongate Administration.” Tripod. 2001. <gopcapitalist.tripod.com/clintonpage.html>.

<sup>92</sup> “Talking Points.” Bill O’Reilly. Fox News. 30 July 2013.

<sup>93</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979. John 8:11.

Fornication is defined as 1. Voluntary sexual intercourse of an unmarried person with another unmarried or married person of the opposite sex.<sup>94</sup>

Adultery is defined as 1. The voluntary sexual intercourse of a married person with someone not the spouse; unfaithfulness.<sup>95</sup>

Listen to the counsel by Paul to the Corinthians concerning fornication, adultery, and other common sins of our day:

*9 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,*

*10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.*

*1 Corinthians 6:9-10*

Paul counsels the Corinthian saints to ‘be not *deceived*’.

Prior to the 2012 Presidential general election, the Democratic Party took ‘God’ out of their platform.<sup>96</sup> Are the democrats being *deceived* by giving the fornicator condoms and telling them to practice ‘safe sex’, instead of teaching them that it is, in fact, a sin?

To repeat Paul’s warning: “...*Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body*” (1 Corinthians 6:18).

Are the democrats being *deceived* by telling the homosexual that it’s ‘ok’ to live such a lifestyle when the Lord, through Paul, explicitly states ‘...nor abusers of themselves with mankind...shall inherit the kingdom of God...’?

Paul continues:

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<sup>94</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California Department of Education, 1967, 524.

<sup>95</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 20.

<sup>96</sup> Hallowell, Billy. “Dems Remove All References to ‘God’ From 2012 Party Platform.” The Blaze. 4 Sept. 2012. <[www.theblaze.com/stories/2012/09/04/dems-remove-all-references-to-god-from-2012-party-platform](http://www.theblaze.com/stories/2012/09/04/dems-remove-all-references-to-god-from-2012-party-platform)>.

*19 What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?*

*20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and your spirit, which are God's.*

*1 Corinthians 6:19- 20*

In other words, our bodies 'are not our own'. They are on loan to us for we were 'bought with a price' through the atonement of Christ. But if we choose to defile our bodies the Lord warns:

*17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.*

*1 Corinthians 3:17*

Even though the democrats have been *deceived*, the price paid for your sins (the Atonement of Christ) allows you to be forgiven – just as I was forgiven for the very same sins! All it takes is a little humility to say 'I'm sorry' and *abandon* the sin. Remember the Lord didn't come to earth to condemn or point fingers and to tell you, 'I told you so, stupid', but, on the contrary, He came to earth 'to save' all of us – for He *knew* we would all sin<sup>97</sup>!

Isn't it nice to know that we are all in the same boat with the same 'Captain' at the helm?

Utilize His 'tender mercies' and 'abundant grace' by recognizing the sin, abandoning the sin, and obtain forgiveness. We'll discuss the miracle of forgiveness, through keeping God's commandments, at the end of the book!

Therefore, *fornication, adultery, homosexuality, encouraging safe-sex instead of no sex before marriage and the other immoral acts are sins – yesterday, today and forever*. The Lord wants abstinence from sin and He wants us to live the Law of Chastity<sup>98</sup>.

<sup>97</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Romans 3:23.

<sup>98</sup> "Chastity." The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. 18 Mar. 2014. <<https://www.lds.org/topics/Chastity?lang=eng>>.

The dictionary defines chaste as 1. Not guilty of unlawful sexual intercourse; virtuous.<sup>99</sup> The word chastity is defined as 1. The state or quality of being chaste; purity.<sup>100</sup>

President Obama needed to recognize his sin of not teaching total abstinence from intercourse before marriage; he needed to *abandon* that sin and teach total abstinence before marriage. The people may not have been obedient to his pleas, but he would not have been held responsible before the Lord, because he ‘sounded the trumpet and gave warning’!<sup>101</sup>

To reiterate President Washington, religion and morality are keys to our political prosperity!

The I.R.S. (Internal Revenue Service), too, has need to recognize and abandon the sin of targeting conservative, patriotic and Tea Party groups (when applying for non-profit 501-C status), in hopes to squash the Republican and Tea Party rebellion that they witnessed in the 2010 midterm elections. They certainly didn’t want that to happen again! Commenting on the 2010 midterm elections, Rush Limbaugh, the great conservative radio talk show host, said “...the republicans and Tea Party cleaned the democrat’s clock...”.<sup>102</sup> So, there was motive and evidence! Recognize the sin and abandon it so that you can continue through the repentance process of confessing the sin – not pleading the Fifth as Ms. Lois Lerner (Assistant Director in the I.R.S.) did. Confession of our sin and making restitution for our sin are vital and necessary to complete the repentance process.

Benghazi, likewise, reeks of cover-up! U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, Susan Rice, goes on five talk shows the Sunday after the terrorist attack and blatantly lies to the citizens of the United States that the attack “...was a spontaneous reaction to a U-tube video...”.<sup>103</sup>

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<sup>99</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 231

<sup>100</sup> Ibid.

<sup>101</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Ezekiel 33:3-6.

<sup>102</sup> “On the Record.” Greta Van Susteren. Fox News. 4 Aug. 2013.

<sup>103</sup> Morgenstern, Madeleine. “U.N. Ambassador Susan Rice: ‘Spontaneous’ Libya Attack Was Prompted by ‘Hateful and Offensive Video’.” The Blaze. 16 Sept. 2012. <[www.theblaze.com/stories/2012/09/16/u-n-ambassador-susan-rice-spontaneous-libya-attack-was-prompted-by-hateful-offensive-video/](http://www.theblaze.com/stories/2012/09/16/u-n-ambassador-susan-rice-spontaneous-libya-attack-was-prompted-by-hateful-offensive-video/)>.

All the talking points of the C.I.A.(Central Intelligence Agency), the State Department, and the N.S.A.(National Security Agency) didn't have one mention of a spontaneous reaction to a U-tube video, but, on the contrary, had an abundance of evidence that it was, in fact, a terrorist attack associated with Al Queda. Oh, and by the way, it occurred on September 11 – now I call that real spontaneity!

If it got out that Al Queda wasn't "...decimated..."<sup>104</sup> as President Obama claimed they were, it would pose a serious threat to his re-election – only two months away! Therefore, the red herring was thrown out there, first, by Ambassador Susan Rice and, then, by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton when she and President Obama greeted the military transport carrying our four slain heroes. Hillary Clinton attempted to push the red herring ploy with Mrs. Smith, the mother of slain Sean Smith, when she said to her "...we'll get those that pushed that U-tube video..."<sup>105</sup> That led me to believe that the State Department and, specifically, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton devised those talking points. But Mrs. Smith wasn't buying it! It's difficult, if not impossible, to lie to a mother who has just lost her only son in a terrorist attack. She noted the insincerity in Clinton's voice. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton also promised Mrs. Smith that she would get back to her. She never did!<sup>106</sup>

It's fairly obvious that President Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton fabricated those talking points for political gain. But is it too late for them to repent – to recognize, abandon, confess and make restitution for their sins? It's not too late, but they would have to sacrifice their political careers for the kingdom of God. It's similar to the Savior's challenge to the rich man to sell all that he had and give it to the poor – and follow Him!

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<sup>104</sup> Lucas, Fred. "Obama Has Touted Al Qaeda's Demise 32 Times since Benghazi Attack." CNS News. 1 Nov. 2012.

<sup>105</sup> Mitchell, Shawn. "Hillary Clinton and Her Story's Cover-Ups." Townhall Finance. 5 May 2014.

<sup>106</sup> Poor, Jeff. "Mother of slain Benghazi victim Sean Smith: 'My son is dead. How could that be phony?'" The Daily Caller. 25 July 2013.



I fear they're like the scribes and Pharisees that the Savior referred to as hypocrites. Listen to the biting and condemning words of the Savior:

*24 Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.*

*25 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.*

*Matthew 23:24-25*

The liberals want to clean the outside of the cup and platter with a clean environment, clean air, clean water, clean sources of energy, global warming investments and a 35 trillion dollar debt ceiling. The Savior continues:

*26 Thou blind Pharisee, cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also.*

*Matthew 23:26*

In other words, don't worry about climate change on the outside (as Leonardo DiCaprio, so intensely, does – as witnessed at the Oscars in 2016 when accepting his Best Actor Oscar for his performance in 'The Revenant'), but rather concentrate on your spiritual change on the inside – your spirit which lives forever. Get it clean and prepared to meet God; then, you'll be able to see clearly, as President Washington saw, that 'religion and morality' are the foundations to political prosperity!

You'll see, too, that the Keystone pipeline, coal and gas exploration and development, and fracking, are sure-fire solutions to our total independence from foreign sources.<sup>107</sup>

The progressives call for a clean environment, global warming and clean energy – yet Hollywood liberals pollute our children's minds with pornography on T.V., the internet, on billboards and other media. They use the word 'clean' rather loosely in reference to 'outside

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<sup>107</sup> Corombos, Greg. "U.S. Energy Independence in Reach Despite Obama." WND. 27 Oct. 2014.

the cup and the platter’, but did you notice that they never use it in reference to ‘inside the cup and platter’ of our children’s minds and spirits? Along with a clean environment, clean air, clean water, clean sources of energy, and a clean earth, wouldn’t it be nice and refreshing to hear the progressives emphasize the importance of clean minds and spirits of our children?

Despite being redundant, it’s most important to remember the words of President Washington: “...religion and morality are the foundations to political prosperity...”.<sup>108</sup>

In conclusion, the Lord warns the liberal and progressive presidents and judges as follows:

*1 JUDGE not, that ye be not judged.*

*2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.*

*Matthew 6:1-2*

In other words, the Lord warns, ‘*JUDGE not...*’: The Lord is saying, I’ve done all the judging for you by giving you the Ten Commandments and the Higher Law that I’m now giving you in the Sermon on the Mount. You don’t need to make up new judgments – you need to be *obedient* and judge according to those commandments I’ve given you!

But, if you choose to take the law into your own hands and judge contrary to those commandments, then the Lord further warns that you, too, will be judged. Implicit in the scripture ‘*JUDGE not, that ye be not judged...*’ is that not to be judged is a good thing – it infers that you’ve judged according to God’s commandments and, therefore, righteously.

Hence the warning ‘*JUDGE not*’ *contrary to the Lord’s commandments*, otherwise you’re taking the law into your own hands, and to one degree or another you will *always* be judging unrighteously.

So, again, judge not unrighteously. The Lord has given you the Mosaic Law – ‘thou shalt not kill’, ‘thou shalt not commit adultery’

<sup>108</sup> American Living Documents, 105.

or ‘homosexuality’, and He has given you the Higher Law. Judge righteously!

The Lord continues:

*3 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?*

*Matthew 7:3*

You liberal presidents and judges need to recognize and *abandon* the sins of murder (abortion), homosexuality and same-sex marriage by removing those beams from your eyes – by repealing Roe v Wade on the state level and homosexual legislation. The Lord concludes:

*4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?*

*Matthew 7:4*

It must be remembered that in Greek the word mote signified a speck, chip or splinter, whereas the Greek word beam refers to a wooden beam used in constructing houses.<sup>109</sup> The one sin is much larger than the other!

*5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.*

*Matthew 7:5*

In 2016, the progressive media were criticizing Senator Marco Rubio of Florida for receiving four or five traffic violations since 2002 – a mote, indeed, compared to the beam of allowing the slaughter of innocent babies from the womb and the beams of allowing fornication, homosexuality, same-sex marriage and the like, to go unchecked!

You permissive presidents and judges, again, need to *recognize the weightier sin* of passing as law the unrighteous judgments of Roe v Wade and homosexual legislation – condemned by the Lord in the scriptures. *Abandon the sin* by removing the beam from your eye

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<sup>109</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 124.

through repealing Roe v Wade on the state level and homosexual legislation – thereby enabling you to see clearly – cast out the mote, or less weightier sin, from your brother's eye!



## CHAPTER SEVEN

# STEPS TO REPENTANCE

## 3. CONFESS THE SIN

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Francis Scott Key, the great author of our national anthem ‘The Star Spangled Banner’, spent a night on a ship anchored eight miles down the river from Fort McHenry – where the Americans defended Baltimore against the British at the close of the War of 1812.<sup>110</sup>

The dictionary defines anthem as 1. A song or hymn of gladness or praise: a national anthem and 2. A musical composition, usually set to words from the Bible.<sup>111</sup>

Listen to the revelatory words of the final stanza of our great national anthem:

*Between their loved home and the war’s desolation!*

*Blest with victory and peace, may the heav’n rescued land*

*Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.*

*Then conquer we must, when the cause is just,*

*And this be our motto: ‘In God is our trust.’*

*And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave*

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<sup>110</sup> “Star-Spangled History.” Star-Spangled 200. 2011. Maryland Historical Society. <[www.starspangled200.org/History/Pages/Key.aspx](http://www.starspangled200.org/History/Pages/Key.aspx)>.

<sup>111</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 62.

*O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!*<sup>112</sup>

Francis Scott Key was an Episcopalian, a Christian. As an amateur, he had written two Christian hymns.

Notice Francis Scott Key's confessing the Lord's hand in preserving the nation. Not to recognize the Lord's hand in preserving this nation, from the Revolutionary War to the present, would be tantamount to denying the very existence of God.

The sin of ingratitude, as displayed by the Democratic Party in removing God from their 2012 platform, needs to be recognized as the serious sin that it is; it needs to be abandoned, *confessed* and made restitution for by confessing the Lord's hand in the preservation of our great nation.

Our God is a jealous God and commands, "...*Thou shalt have no other gods before me...*" (Exodus 20:3).

He continues:

*5 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;*

*6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.*

*Exodus 20:5-6*

The Lord loves us so very dearly; but He allows all men their free agency to choose.<sup>113</sup> If we make a wrong choice, which we all do from time to time, the Lord's atonement allows us to repent and change our course. Through daily and weekly repentance we continue on the right course towards our ultimate goal – to be with our Heavenly Father, Jesus, and our families in the Celestial kingdom.<sup>114</sup>

<sup>112</sup> "Star-Spangled Banner Lyrics." U.S.A. Flag Site. 12 Aug. 2013. <[www.usa-flag-site.org/songs.shtml](http://www.usa-flag-site.org/songs.shtml)>.

<sup>113</sup> "Bible verses about Free Moral Agency." Bible Tools. 2015. <[www.bibletools.org/index.cfm/fuseaction/Topical.Free-Moral-Agency.htm](http://www.bibletools.org/index.cfm/fuseaction/Topical.Free-Moral-Agency.htm)>.

<sup>114</sup> "Exaltation (Mormonism)." Wikipedia. 18 Dec. 2014. <[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Exaltation\\_9628Mormonism9629](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Exaltation_9628Mormonism9629)>.

As the little black orphaned boy, Milton Davis Jr. in the movie ‘Angels in the Outfield’ with Christopher Lloyd and Danny Glover, said, “...it can happen!...”<sup>115</sup>

It *can* happen; we can be with our Heavenly Father, Jesus and our families in the Celestial Kingdom, but only as we keep the commandments of God.

So, again, has the Lord appointed terror over us? The dictionary defines terror as 1. A person or thing that causes extreme fear.<sup>116</sup>

The Lord has appointed terror over many nations in the past. He appointed Assyria between 740BC-722BC to terrorize the Northern Kingdom of Israel and to take them captive. Listen to the words of Isaiah, “...*O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger... I will send him against a hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I give him a charge to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets...*” (Isaiah 10:5-6). And the key question is, why did the Lord allow the Assyrians to terrorize the Northern Kingdom of Israel and to take them captive? He explains, “...*And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria and put them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes: because they obeyed not the voice of the Lord their God, but transgressed his covenant, and all that Moses the servant of the Lord commanded and would not hear them, nor do them...*” (2 Kings 18:11-12).

Likewise, the Lord has brought *terror* unto America because the unrighteous presidents and judges will not keep the commandments given to Moses in the first five Books of the Old Testament – including, but not exclusively limited to, the Ten Commandments; ‘...and *all* that Moses the servant of the Lord commanded...’. We know that Moses compiled the first five Books of the Old Testament. Therein lies the Law of Moses<sup>117</sup>.

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<sup>115</sup> A Walt Disney Production. “Angels in the Outfield.” Angels in the Outfield. 15 July 1994 (USA). <[www.angelsintheoutfield/cast](http://www.angelsintheoutfield/cast)>.

<sup>116</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 1383.

<sup>117</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV):Bible Dictionary. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979, 722-723.



The unrighteous presidents and judges need to recognize their sin, abandon the sin and *confess* the sin. The scriptures are replete with the command to repent and confess: “For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth *confession* is made unto salvation” (Romans 10:10). Again, “...If we *confess* our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness...” (1 John 1:9). The Apostle James admonishes the saints to “...*confess* your faults one to another, and pray for one another” (James 5:16). What was John the Baptist’s main mission as the forerunner to the Savior? The Lord commands through John, “...Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand...” (Matthew 3:2). “...And were baptized of him in Jordan, *confessing* their sins...” (Matthew 3:6). But of all the commands to repent and confess our sins, the most powerful entreaty is given by the Savior Himself – the words repent and confess aren’t mentioned, but implied. Feel the Spirit of the Lord touch your spirit as you read this gentle command:

*“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden,  
and I will give you rest.*

*Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek  
and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

*For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”*

*Matthew 11:28-30*

This was given after He heavily chastised the cities where most of his mighty works were done for failing to repent: “*Woe unto thee, Chorazin! Woe unto thee, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sodom, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes...*” (Matthew 11:21).

Likewise, the people of Capernaum were condemned for having less faith than even the people of Sodom: “*And thou, Capernaum, which are exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you,*

*that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee...*" (Matthew 11:23-24).

Has mighty works been done in the United States of America? Let's examine some of the facts:

In 'George Washington and the Hand of God' by John White, he writes: "...The hand of God was notably evident in the life of the Father of our Country. George Washington was indispensable to the American Revolution and to the first years of our fledgling republic. Instance after instance was attested to by him and others of what they recognized as divine intervention to protect him for a purpose: the creation of a new nation and a Godly society. For example, in a letter to his wife Martha, written after the Continental Congress selected him to lead the Continental Army, he said, 'I shall rely, therefore, confidently on that Providence which has heretofore preserved and been bountiful to me, not doubting but that I shall return safe to you.' Throughout his extensive military career, Washington was never wounded in battle..."<sup>118</sup>

During the French and Indian War of 1755, at the age of 23, George Washington volunteered as an aide-de-camp to assist General Edward Braddock. Their mission was to dispel the French entrenched at Fort Duquesne, near present-day Pittsburgh. They started out with a thousand British regulars and three hundred Virginia militiamen. The French and Indian warriors had half the manpower as the British and Americans, but they set up a brilliant ambush in a ravine of rocks and trees. 700 British regulars and 270 of the Americans fell. 30 of the French and Indians were wounded – not one was killed!

The religious historian, David Barton, mentioned in his book, 'The Bulletproof George Washington', that one survivor later commented on the undaunted George Washington in the midst of battle: "I expected every moment to see him fall. Nothing but the superintending care of Providence could have saved him."<sup>119</sup>

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<sup>118</sup> White, John. "George Washington and the Hand of God." Fate Magazine. Feb. 2008. <[www.fatemag.com/issues/2000s/2008-02article1.html](http://www.fatemag.com/issues/2000s/2008-02article1.html)>.

<sup>119</sup> Barton, David. *The Bulletproof George Washington*. Wallbuilders Press, 2003.

George Washington, himself, later commented concerning the incident: "...by the all-powerful dispensations of Providence I have been protected beyond all human probability of expectations, for... death was leveling my companions on every side of me."<sup>120</sup>

Fifteen years after this battle Washington and Dr. Craik, his boyhood friend until his death, were traveling through the western country for the purpose of exploring wild lands – "...near the junction of the Great Kanawha and Ohio Rivers a company of Indians came to them with an interpreter, at the head of whom was an aged and venerable chief. The council fire was kindled, when the chief addressed Washington through an interpreter...".<sup>121</sup> Listen to these extraordinarily inspiring words from this venerable chief: "...I am a chief, and ruler over my tribes. My influence extends to the waters of the great lakes, and to the far blue mountains. I have traveled a long and weary path, that I might see the young warrior (George Washington, from the day he had horses shot out from underneath him) of the Great Battle. It was on the day when the white man's blood mixed with the streams of our forest, that I first beheld this chief. I called to my young men and said, mark yon tall and daring warrior? He is not of the red-coat tribe – he hath an Indian's wisdom, and his warriors fight as we do – himself is alone exposed. Quick, let your aim be certain, and he dies. Our rifles were leveled, rifles which, but for him, knew not how to miss – 'twas all in vain, a power mightier far than we, shielded him from harm. He cannot die in battle. I am old, and soon shall be gathered to the great council fire of my fathers in the land of shades, but ere I go, there is something bids me speak in the voice of prophesy. Listen! The Great Spirit protects that man, and guides his destinies – he will become the chief of nations, and a people yet unborn will hail him as a founder of a mighty empire."<sup>122</sup>

The Lord's mighty works were on display in the preservation of the Father of our Nation – and because of those mighty works an

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<sup>120</sup> White, John. "George Washington and the Hand of God."

<sup>121</sup> Lossing, Benson J., ed. *The Diary of George Washington from 1789 to 1791*. Richmond: Press of the Historical Society, 1860, 303.

<sup>122</sup> *Ibid.*

Indian chief prophesied that ‘...a people yet unborn will hail him as the founder of a mighty empire.’

Could a black man, whose ancestors were brought to the early colonies through the slave trade – rising from a slave background to becoming the greatest leader in the free world, be considered a mighty work?

Could a mighty work be attributed a nation that has become the leader of the free world since it’s inception?<sup>123</sup>

The Lord has loved us ‘mightily’ as a nation and He gets angry when His children fail to show gratitude – by not being obedient to His commandments.

Yes, the Lord has appointed *terror* over us – both abroad and domestically!

In F. Scott Fitzgerald’s ‘The Great Gatsby’ the great author uses a fictional narrative to drive home present-day reality. Written in 1925, in the midst of speakeasys and the Roaring Twenties, “...Fitzgerald proudly tackles the theme of spirituality. His attack is subtle, making his message heard most forcefully by what is missing, rather than what is there. The world of *The Great Gatsby* is one of excess, folly, and pleasure, a world where people are so busy living for the moment that they have lost touch with any sort of morality, and ending up breaking laws, cheating, and even killing...Fitzgerald’s post-war partiers have substituted materialism and instant creature comforts for philosophic principles, thus suggesting a lack of order and structure in the worlds of East Egg, West Egg, and beyond...”<sup>124</sup>.

F. Scott Fitzgerald could see the doom that was awaiting this country if spiritual and moral change didn’t take place. It *didn’t* take place, and the Great Depression was the result! The Lord was forced to humble His people (and we are His people – just as the early Israelites were His people) for not keeping His commandments as He established

<sup>123</sup> “Free World.” Wikipedia. 2 Mar. 2015. <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Free\_World>.

<sup>124</sup> “In Praise of Comfort: Displaced Spirituality in The Great Gatsby.” Cliff’s Notes. 2015. Houghton, Mifflin, Harcourt. <www.cliffsnotes.com/literature/g/the-great-gatsby/critical-essays/in-praise-of-comfort-displaced-in-the-great-gatsby>.

through our early Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors. In other words, we dropped the ball.

Terrorism has gradually increased as our immorality, as a nation, has increased. From John F. Kennedy's immoral behavior in the early '60's to Roe v Wade in the early '70's, to Bill Clinton's numerous sexual encounters as Governor of Arkansas in the '80's – culminating in his infecting the White House in the '90's with his sexual immoral behavior!<sup>125</sup>

As just mentioned through scripture, *confession* of our sin is a commandment. In 1976, George W. Bush "...was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol...He admitted his guilt..."<sup>126</sup> was fined and had his license revoked for a time.

As time went on George W. knew he had a drinking problem and he had to change. Remember, as mentioned in the first chapter, that the word repentance is derived from Greek meaning 'to change'. And Heavenly Father is especially pleased when we make Him part of that transformation – as George W. did! In 1986 George W. quit drinking and "...He ascribed the change in part to a 1985 meeting with Reverend Billy Graham, after which he began serious Bible study, as well as to gentle but persistent pressure from his wife, Laura."<sup>127</sup>

Contrast that story with that of Bill Clinton. In the '80's Clinton chose not to change his immoral behavior and it carried over into the '90's and the White House. He was impeached as a result. Voluntary repentance and confession are the keys!

The Lord doesn't want a forced or defiant confession, as was Clinton's. He only confessed after the evidence was irrefutable. The Lord wants us to come before Him with a broken heart and a contrite spirit – similar to sackcloth and ashes of the Old and New Testament saints. The Lord wants all of His children to come forth, in humility

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<sup>125</sup> "The Bill Clintongate Administration." Tripod. 2001. <gopcapitalist.tripod.com/clintonpage.html>.

<sup>126</sup> "Early Life of George W. Bush." Wikipedia. 16 Oct. 2014. <en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Early\_life\_of\_George\_W.\_Bush&oldid=629887220.>.

<sup>127</sup> Ibid.

– with a broken heart and a contrite spirit, and *confess* their sins before Him<sup>128</sup>.

Glenn Beck, the owner of the great cable station ‘The Blaze’ understands what it means to “...*bring forth...fruits meet for repentance*” (Acts 26:20). He has experienced the repentance process through a debilitating alcohol dependency. With the help of his children and family he recognized the sin of alcohol use (accompanied with black-outs), abandoned the sin, *confessed* the sin, and continues to make restitution by keeping God’s commandments and living according to the motto of ‘The Blaze’ – Truth Lives Here!<sup>129</sup> Keep up the good work, Glenn – we’re proud of you!

In November 2008, my church, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, worked extremely hard in California to get Proposition 8 passed. The people voted to have the California State Constitution read that a marriage be defined as ‘being between a man and a woman’.<sup>130</sup> Instead of accepting defeat graciously and fairly, a federal judge aborted the people’s vote and it was repealed to the U.S. Supreme Court. They, too, aborted the people’s vote by repealing DOMA (Defense of Marriage Act), enabling the federal judge’s aborting of the people’s vote in California to stand.

In Abraham Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address, President Lincoln states “...that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a *new birth* of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.”<sup>131</sup> Obviously, the California Federal judge and the U.S. Supreme Court justices are aborting the people’s vote and, therefore, aborting that *new birth* of freedom Abraham Lincoln

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<sup>128</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Psalms 51:17; Doctrine and Covenants 20:37.

<sup>129</sup> The Blaze. The Glenn Beck Program. 2 Mar. 2015. <[www.glennbeck.com/content/blog/insider/gbtv-the-truth-lives-here/](http://www.glennbeck.com/content/blog/insider/gbtv-the-truth-lives-here/)>.

<sup>130</sup> “California Proposition 8 (2008).” Wikipedia. 25 Feb. 2015. <[en.wikipedia.org/wiki/California\\_Proposition\\_8\\_962820089629](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/California_Proposition_8_962820089629)>.

<sup>131</sup> Starr, Todd, and Curti. Living American Documents. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 187.

spoke of. Hence, the judges are creating a government of the judges, by the judges, for the judges, thus, enabling that precious *new birth* of freedom to be aborted and to perish from the earth. Morally, how is California doing today?

A word to the wise! Read the parable of the Wheat and the Tares. The Lord will allow the tares (followers of Satan) to grow amidst the wheat (followers of Christ). Why? Because the Lord loves all His children and doesn't want to destroy them. He wants them to repent and change, so that He can forgive them and, eventually, exalt them!

But make no mistake about it. The Lord has already won the war! You can crucify Him and His followers and that's one of the battles. He will not take away man's free agency to choose – for that will determine man's exaltation or fall! He will allow the tares to win a few other battles, such as, aborting precious children, aborting people's votes, allowing homosexual activity, in hopes that through His infinite love and patience and the preaching of His followers – the tares will, hopefully, see the evil of their ways and, eventually, repent and change.

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

The moral of the story? The Lord wins the war! Therefore, repent and change, by recognizing the sin, abandoning the sin, *confessing* the sin, and making restitution for the sin by continuing to repeal such corrupt laws as Roe Vs. Wade on the state level and homosexual legislation – thereby securing for yourself forgiveness and a righteous inheritance in your Father's kingdom!

## CHAPTER EIGHT

# STEPS TO REPENTANCE

## 4. MAKE RESTITUTION FOR THE SIN

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The last four democratic presidents have all claimed to be Christians, yet they've supported pro-choice. Barack Obama claims he wouldn't commit an abortion himself,<sup>132</sup> as if that admission would absolve him of any responsibility of allowing a woman the choice of killing a baby. That logic is comparable to Pontius Pilate 'washing his hands'<sup>133</sup> in an attempt to absolve himself from any responsibility for the murder of the Savior. The bottom line is, Pontius Pilate could have prevented the death of the Savior. Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, Barack Obama and Joe Biden could have prevented the death of millions of babies. Both the Savior and the babies were innocent!

The past four democratic presidents have allowed the genocide of millions of innocent babies. God is “...*the same yesterday, today, and forever...*”<sup>134</sup> and has commanded “...*Thou shalt not kill*” (Exodus 20:13). They need to recognize the sin of *allowing* the people to murder innocent life, abandon the sin, confess the sin, and *make restitution* for the sin by professing a pro-life agenda and attempt to repeal Roe v Wade on the state level. If they were to go through the four-step

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<sup>132</sup>“Social Policy of Barack Obama.” Wikipedia. 12 Feb. 2015. <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Social\_Policy\_of\_Barack\_Obama>.

<sup>133</sup>The Holy Bible (KJV): Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979. Matthew 27:24.

<sup>134</sup>The Holy Bible (KJV): Hebrews 13:8.



repentance process, they could rightly claim to be Christians, not only in word, but also in deed.

And what about Obamacare? Did the president have a legal or constitutional right to alter a statute that had been signed into law? Once a bill becomes a law or statute, can it be tampered with without Congressional approval?

And what about Immigration reform?

So, again, has Obama, Biden, Schummer or Durbin ever wanted a border solution? No, they didn't want any part of the rule of law because it would produce law-abiding citizens who would begin to keep commandments and rules that, in turn, would produce God-fearing people who would then be entitled to the Spirit of the Lord to help them make wise and correct decisions. Just as they took God out of the platform of the 2012 Democratic National Convention, they want to take God out of everything else – including, and especially, the border. Why? There's a lot of votes down there buster! As James Stewart so aptly said in the movie 'It's a Wonderful Life' to his guardian angel Clarence – referring to his need for money at the time "...It sure comes in handy down here, bub..."!<sup>135</sup> Votes, too, sure come in handy down here, bub! And the democrats know if you secure the border, you'll be establishing law and order, and they'll eventually lose those votes! It must be remembered that we must be 'scrupulously strict' as the Savior was when He introduced the Higher Law (The Sermon on the Mount) which superseded the Lesser, or Mosaic, Law (The Ten Commandments). As mentioned in an earlier chapter, the Puritans were 'scrupulously strict' in keeping the commandments of God which led to the founding and success of our great nation! Without the Puritans being 'scrupulously strict' in keeping God's commandments, the Native Americans (Indians) would have defeated them. The Indians didn't have the commandments of God or the bible, as the inhabitants of Israel didn't have the commandments of God at the time of Joshua and Jericho. Moses receiving the Ten Commandments, plus the first five books of the Old Testament, enabled the children of Israel to practice

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<sup>135</sup> Liberty Films. "It's a Wonderful Life." 1946. <[www.imdb.com/title/tt0038650/](http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0038650/)>

being ‘scrupulously strict’ in keeping God’s commandments – while wandering in the wilderness for forty years!.

When the Lord deemed them ready to enter their Promised Land (Israel), through being ‘scrupulously strict’ enough to the Law, there was no way that the walls of Jericho were not going to fall! Likewise, when the Lord deemed it necessary that our Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors were ‘scrupulously strict’ enough to inherit their Promised Land (America), there was no way that the Native American (Indian) was not going to fall!

After the 2008 Presidential election, President Obama and President Biden had a Democratic-controlled Congress – the House and the Senate.<sup>136</sup> Why didn’t the President pass Immigration reform at that time, as he did with Obamacare? The democrats know the difference between good and evil, but over the years have established evil as a tradition in our society through Roe v Wade (1973), and more recently, through Gay Rights and Same-Sex Marriage legislation. Why? Because evil works. Listen to the words concerning evil people mentioned in the Book of Mormon around the year 90 B.C.:

*17 Nevertheless, they durst not lie, if it were known, for fear of the law, for liars were punished; therefore they pretended to preach according to their belief; and now the law could have no power on any man for his belief*

(Alma 1:17)

So, Obama, Biden and the democrats *pretended* to want comprehensive Immigration reform, but, in reality, were avoiding it like the plague. They want no part of God and order! They *pretended* to preach according to their belief knowing full well it was a bold-faced lie!

If they were to repent and admit their mistakes, how many votes do you think they would muster? They would get God’s vote, but initially, they wouldn’t win many elections until they go through the repentance process. Hence, their constant running from the truth to

<sup>136</sup> Schor, Elana. “Democrats in firm control of both houses.” The Guardian. 5 Nov. 2008. <[www.theguardian.com/world/2008/nov/06/us-elections-2008-democrats-congress-house-representatives](http://www.theguardian.com/world/2008/nov/06/us-elections-2008-democrats-congress-house-representatives)>.

avoid repentance at all costs! It's sort of like a Democratic Socialist running from a good Christian Tea Party Republican! How far left do you want to go? President Reagan and Charles Krauthammer were smart democrats who recognized their party's flaw in running away from God! Hence, they repented and changed parties – their success followed. Donald Trump, too, has experienced a repentant heart concerning the practice of abortion. Originally being Pro-Choice and his nephew's parents choosing to have their son, he recognized the barbarism of the act after witnessing the growth and success of the boy! People don't like to be lied to – but a word to the wise: God's vote is the most important vote of all!

Do you remember what happened to President Reagan in 1986? He mentioned that not securing the border, before signing that Immigration bill into law, was the greatest mistake of his second term. The democrats had promised him that they would secure the border, and never did!<sup>137</sup>

Any party that would take God out of their platform can't be expected to abide the rule of law. Prior to being elected Governor of California, President Reagan converted from Democrat to Republican.<sup>138</sup> He was able to discern where they were heading because he was a God-fearing man that kept the commandments the best he could – and, therefore, was entitled to that spirit of discernment. But, unfortunately, he let down his guard and should have secured the border first. In that instance, his good nature allowed him to exercise too much faith in his adversaries. You cannot exercise faith in those that have not faith!

Let us as Republicans, Conservatives, and Democrats secure the border first. If the Democrats have a problem with that, they need to repent – for the Lord will hold them responsible for abandoning the rule of law at the expense of votes. Secure the border first!

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<sup>137</sup> "Amnesty." V Dare. 16 Feb. 2013. <[www.vdare.com/posts/ed-meese-says-reagan-regretted-1986-amnesty](http://www.vdare.com/posts/ed-meese-says-reagan-regretted-1986-amnesty)>.

<sup>138</sup> Toyner, James. "Ronald Reagan's Journey: Democrat to Republican." *Outside the Beltway*. 19 Dec. 2006. <[www.outsidethebeltway.com/ronald\\_reagans\\_journey\\_democrat\\_to\\_republican/](http://www.outsidethebeltway.com/ronald_reagans_journey_democrat_to_republican/)>.

What did President Obama and Biden do concerning the work requirements for unemployment benefits and welfare?<sup>139</sup> Even President Clinton and House Speaker Newt Gingrich, in the '90's, knew the truth to the adage '...you don't get something for nothing...'<sup>140</sup> The Lord commands "*...In the sweat of thy face thou shalt eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return...*" (Genesis 3:19). Magic Johnson, the great N.B.A.(National Basketball Association) player, knows the value of hard work and sweat. And he instilled that work ethic among his fellow players – and winning became fun, enjoyable, contagious, and addictive! It was a true joy watching them perform at such a high level. It was obvious their joy was full! When Magic and the Los Angeles Lakers took the court it, famously, became known as *showtime*<sup>141</sup>!

President Obama and Biden should've recognized the sin of removing the work requirements for unemployment benefits and welfare; with Magic it was '*showtime*' – not 'abandon the work requirement time'. Winning requires hard work!

The president should've repented and *made restitution* by reinstating the work requirement statute – for the Lord commands: "*...Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work...*" (Exodus 20:9). "*...For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is...*" (Exodus 20:11)!

The Lord never intended for His people to draw \$38,000 a year on welfare indefinitely.<sup>142</sup> A safety net is appropriate – Obama's system was theft. It is stealing from those doing all the hard work. The President would beg to differ and call it a 'redistribution of wealth', but the Lord would retort with the age-old command: "*Thou shalt not steal*" (Exodus 20:15).

<sup>139</sup> Morris, Dick. "Obama kills welfare reform." The Hill. 17 July 2012. <thehill.com/opinion/columnists/dick-morris/238501-obama-kills-welfare-reform>.

<sup>140</sup> "Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act." Wikipedia. 22 Feb. 2015. <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Personal\_Responsibility\_and\_Work\_Opportunity\_Act>.

<sup>141</sup> "Top 5 Lakers of all time." Fox News. 15 Sept. 2012. <www.foxsports.com/nba/lists/Top-5-Los-Angeles-Lakers-Magic-Johnson-Kobe-Bryant-Jerry-West-Kareem-Abdul-Jabbar-Shaquille-Oneal>.

<sup>142</sup> Bray, Harold. "Average Welfare recipient gets \$40,000+ per year." Halfway to Concord. 18 Sept. 2013. <halfwaytoconcord.com/average-welfare-recipient-gets-40000-per-year>.

And what about gun-control? On October 20, 2015, John Lott of the National Review wrote an article entitled 'A Look at the Facts on Gun-Free Zones.' In it, he cites many examples where people with concealed permits saved the lives of other people. He also mentions this astonishing fact, and I quote: "...Since at least 1950, all but two public mass shootings in America have taken place where *general citizens are banned from carrying guns...*" (Italics used for emphasis)!

While proving that gun-free zones takes away any deterrent to commit mass shootings, he concludes his article with these words: "...If you still agree with gun-control advocates about deterrence, ask yourself if you would post a sign on your home announcing it was a gun-free zone...".

Hitler was able to methodically disarm a people and annihilate six million of them. Power in the wrong hands, without Christian values, can cause the extinction of civilizations. Hitler and Nazi Germany was one big, happy, gun-free zone except, of course, for Hitler and the Gestapo!

The blood of every child and adult shed in gun-free zones will be upon the heads of those Democrats who instituted those zones and upon the heads of those Democrats still supporting those zones! And that all goes for sanctuary cities, too! I guess anything goes when it comes to fame, riches and power, and the vote!

And what of the hardened hearts of people who've committed sin over and over again and, yet, have never repented? The Lord, through Jeremiah, poses a question to such unrepentant sinners followed by a prophesy: "*...Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? Nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore they shall fall...saith the Lord*" (Jeremiah 6:15).

Jackie Evancho, as a twelve year old musical prodigy, was performing on channel KAET (a Public Broadcasting Station).<sup>143</sup> Her music is extraordinary, to say the least. But even more extraordinary was her child-like innocence and humility displayed after each per-

<sup>143</sup>Falcon. Ray. "The story of a child prodigy Singer: Jackie Evancho." Latino Weekly Review. 12 Apr. 2012. <latinoweeklyreview.com/?p=5691>.

formance. If ever embarrassed she would, surely, blush. Blushing is a sign of innocence and purity!

If your innocence and purity has been lost through sin, it can be regained through repentance! That bears repeating. If your innocence and purity has been lost through sin, it can be regained through repentance!

Prior to my conversion and repentance, my heart, too, was hardened. Through years of unrepentant sin, I wasn't at all ashamed, and had lost my ability to blush! But today, after years of repentance on a regular basis, I am ashamed and appalled at the failure of our political leaders and citizens to recognize the absolute abomination of abortion, homosexuality and same-sex marriage – sins that should make all of us blush and ashamed!

If the political leaders and citizens fail to repeal Roe v Wade on the state level and same-sex marriage legislation, they will win those particular battles here on earth – but the Lord promises “*...they shall fall...saith the Lord*” (Jeremiah 6:15). Just as Christ lost His physical life, He gained Eternal Life for Himself and for all those who choose to repent and follow Him! Those who choose not to repent shall fall, and shall not inherit Eternal Life!

As mentioned numerous times in previous chapters, *it is a commandment to repent!*<sup>144</sup>

I submit that Pride is the result of unrepentant sin and Humility is the product of repentant sin! The dictionary defines Pride as: 1. An undue sense of one's own superiority: inordinate self-esteem; arrogance; conceit.<sup>145</sup> Humility is defined as:

1. Free from pride or vanity; modest; meek; unassuming.<sup>146</sup>

In Proverbs the Lord states some things that He hates and are abominations:

<sup>144</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Matthew 3:2; 4:17; Mark 1:4, 15; 2:17; Luke 3:3, 8.

<sup>145</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education 1967, 1069.

<sup>146</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 652.

*16 These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him:*

*17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,*

*18 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,*

*19 A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.*

*Proverbs 6:16-19*

People with ‘a proud look’ and ‘a lying tongue’ have a tendency to avoid repentance at all costs! In their eyes it’s a sign of weakness!

As early as March 2010, documents show that the Obama administration knew that the A.C.A. (Affordable Care Act) would not be allowing millions of families to keep their present policies<sup>147</sup> – yet during the 2012 Presidential campaign he promised the people “...if you like your current health care plan you can keep it – Period. If you like your current doctor you can keep him – Period...”<sup>148</sup> knowing fair well that that would be an impossibility. His obvious motive for lying was reelection! If he told the people the truth, his chances of reelection would be, substantially, diminished.

Besides the motive of reelection, forcing people off their present health plans would force many of them to enter the state exchanges – vitally needed to finance his scheme.

Repentance is a sign of strength – not weakness! The Lord would never command His children to do something that would make them weak – therefore, deductively, repentance makes one stronger!

<sup>147</sup> Howerton, Jason. “NBC News: Obama Admin Knew Millions Would Not Be Able to Keep Their Health Insurance for at least 3 Years, Promised it Anyway.” The Blaze. 28 Oct. 2013. <[www.theblaze.com/stories/2013/10/28/nbc-news-obama-admin-knew-millions-would-not-be-able-to-keep-their-health-insurance](http://www.theblaze.com/stories/2013/10/28/nbc-news-obama-admin-knew-millions-would-not-be-able-to-keep-their-health-insurance)>.

<sup>148</sup> Myers, Lisa, Hannah Rappleye. “Obama admin knew millions could not keep their health insurance.” NBC News. 28 Oct. 2013. <[www.nbcnews.com/news/other/obama-admin-knew-millions-could-not-keep-their-health-insurance-f8C11484394](http://www.nbcnews.com/news/other/obama-admin-knew-millions-could-not-keep-their-health-insurance-f8C11484394)>.

The President apologized and said, “...I am sorry...”<sup>149</sup> for forcing people off their health plans – plans that they wanted to keep! It’s not enough to say ‘I’m sorry’! The fourth step in the repentance process is: *Make restitution* for the sin!

By stating his sorrow he is recognizing the sin and confessing the sin. But, then, he should’ve repented and abandoned the sin and *made restitution* for the sin by restoring to the people their health plans he had stolen from them – through a broken promise!

The President vitally needed to work with Congress to pass legislation that would restore to the people the health plans they wanted to keep. That action would’ve made the repentance process complete and then, and only then, would the Lord apply forgiveness for the sin!

As mentioned previously, early in 1998, President Clinton proudly and defiantly declared “...I did not have sex with that young woman...”<sup>150</sup> His proud look and lying tongue was apparent seven months later when he was forced to confess due to the overwhelming evidence. Did President Clinton blush and show shame when he confessed? But, if he sincerely repents by abandoning sexual immorality and *make restitution* by keeping the commandments or, in other words, brings “...*forth...fruits worthy of repentance...*” (Luke 3:8) then he, as well as anybody else, can be forgiven!

President Obama, Biden, Hillary Clinton, Susan Rice and most of the Democratic cartel were, finally, caught in their lies concerning the Benghazi scandal – one of those many ‘phony’ scandals, as referred to by President Obama.

Blaming the terrorist attack, on the anniversary of 9/11, to a “...spontaneous reaction to a U-tube video...”<sup>151</sup> was, totally, unsubstantiated and on October 22, 2015, at the House Select Committee on

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<sup>149</sup>Thiessen, Marc. “Marc Thiessen: Obama’s non-apology on Obamacare.” The Washington Post. 11 Nov. 2013. <[www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/marc-thiessen-obamas-non-apology-on-obamacare/2013/11/11/28f207ce-4ad0-11e3](http://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/marc-thiessen-obamas-non-apology-on-obamacare/2013/11/11/28f207ce-4ad0-11e3)>.

<sup>150</sup>Nelson, Steven. “Press Past; Bill Clinton 15 Years Ago: ‘I Did Not Have Sexual Relations With That Woman’.” U.S. News & World Report. 25 Jan. 2013. <[www.usnews.com/news/blog/press-past/2013/1/25/bill-clinton-15-years-ago-i-did-not-have-sexual-relations-with-that-woman](http://www.usnews.com/news/blog/press-past/2013/1/25/bill-clinton-15-years-ago-i-did-not-have-sexual-relations-with-that-woman)>.

<sup>151</sup>You Tube. “Susan Rice on Benghazi: ‘This was a spontaneous reaction to a Video.’” 15 May 2013.



Benghazi, their lies were exposed – just as President Clinton’s lies were exposed back in 1998!

Listen to these telling e-mails from Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. At 10:08 p.m. (EST), on the night of the attack and with no evidence, she tells the American people the attacks were caused by a video. An hour later, at approximately 11:00 p.m., she e-mails her family this: “Two officers were killed today in Benghazi by an Al Qaeda-like group.”<sup>152</sup> But most significantly, the following day she e-mails the Egyptian prime minister this: “We *know* the attack in Libya had nothing to do with the film. It was a planned attack, not a protest.”<sup>153</sup> Can anyone say *liar*?

On March 8, 1983 President Ronald Reagan referred to the Soviet Union as an ‘evil empire’<sup>154</sup> that wasn’t close to God. Likewise, can the Democratic Party in the United States of today be referred to as an ‘evil party’ that has alienated themselves from God? Let’s examine some of the facts: In the ‘60’s, 80’s and 90’s Presidents Kennedy and Clinton were caught in adulterous situations (in direct violation of the Seventh Commandment – Thou shalt not commit adultery): In 1998, after being found guilty of Perjury and Obstruction of Justice, Clinton was tried by the democratic-controlled Senate on his impeachment charge. The democratic party, despite overwhelming evidence to the contrary, dismissed the impeachment charge. As a democratic party they bore false witness against the American people (in direct violation of the Ninth Commandment – Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor): In 2008 the democratic-controlled congress and Obama passed Obamacare, stealing 700 billion dollars from the Medicare program and introducing the ‘redistribution of wealth’ theory within our republic (in direct violation of the Eighth Commandment given to Moses – Thou shalt not steal): In 2012, and most telling, the

<sup>152</sup> “Rep. Jim Jordan vs Hillary Clinton: Why Did You Tell Egyptians Benghazi Was a Terrorist Attack But Not The American People”? Real Clear Politics. 22 Oct. 2015. <[www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2015/10/22/rep\\_jim\\_jordan\\_vs\\_hillary\\_clinton\\_why\\_did\\_you\\_tell\\_egyptians\\_benghazi\\_was\\_a\\_terrorist\\_attack\\_but\\_not\\_the\\_american\\_people.htm](http://www.realclearpolitics.com/video/2015/10/22/rep_jim_jordan_vs_hillary_clinton_why_did_you_tell_egyptians_benghazi_was_a_terrorist_attack_but_not_the_american_people.htm)>.

<sup>153</sup> Ibid.

<sup>154</sup> Fuller, Al. “Winning The Cold War, Part I – The “Evil Empire” Speech.” The Other Half Of History. 23 Jan. 2011. <[www.historyhalf.com/winning-the-cold-war-the-evil-empire-speech/](http://www.historyhalf.com/winning-the-cold-war-the-evil-empire-speech/)>.

democratic party took God out of their platform at their convention held in Charlotte, North Carolina (in direct violation of the First Commandment – Thou shalt have no other gods before me): In 2015 the democratic-controlled U.S. Supreme Court legalized Same-Sex Marriage (in direct violation of God’s commandment to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden to “...multiply and replenish the earth...” (Genesis 1:28) and “*Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh*” (Genesis 2:24). In addition, Christ through His prophets have warned: “...*Thou shalt not lie with mankind as with womankind: it is abomination...*” (Leviticus 18:22). The democratic-controlled media and entertainment industry has inundated our culture 24/7 with news and movies and the like (in direct violation of the Fourth Commandment – Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy). Now, let us continue with ‘a proud look’ and ‘a lying tongue’.

Mrs. Smith, mother of slain American Sean Smith, is angered by Hillary Clinton’s lies; and it’s pretty much common knowledge that Ambassador Stevens had met with a Turkish representative the afternoon of the attack, in order to run guns and weapons through Turkey to the rebels in Syria.<sup>155</sup> Apparently, President Obama didn’t want the American people to know that fact. Why? A ‘...spontaneous reaction to a U-tube video...’ was an obvious red-herring to not only hide the gun-running, but also to insure re-election in 2012 – only a few months away. Also, it wouldn’t look good to admit that Al Queda wasn’t, indeed, on the run – when he had campaigned for months that they were!

‘A proud look’ and ‘a lying tongue’ increases as sin goes unchecked.

A favorite British scholar said: “...I do not think that all who choose wrong roads perish; but their rescue consists in being put back on the right road. A [mathematical] sum [incorrectly worked] can be put right: but only by going back till you find the error and [then] working it afresh from that point, never by simply *going on*. Evil can

<sup>155</sup>“Benghazi Gun Running is the Real Scandal.” Conservative byte.com. 4 May 2014. <conservativebyte.com/2014/05/benghazi-gun-running-real-scandal/>.

be undone, but it cannot ‘develop’ into good. Time does not heal it. The spell must be unwound...”<sup>156</sup>

Early in 1998 when President Clinton was employing a proud look and a lying tongue, he probably didn’t know for sure he would be caught in his lies. But he did know that immediate confession would probably spell impeachment. By forestalling, and procrastinating the day of his repentance, he knew he still had the trump card of a majority Senate and a possible reprieve. Evil rewards evil and the democratic-controlled senate did give him a reprieve.<sup>157</sup>

President Obama and Hillary Clinton employed the exact same evil strategy. By promoting the same proud look and lying tongue in blaming the Benghazi attacks on a ‘...spontaneous reaction to a U-tube video...’, they guarantee victory in the general election, only a few months away. They realize, too, that they might be caught in their lies, as President Clinton was caught. But, again, by forestalling and procrastinating the day of their repentance, they know they have the same trump card of a democratic-controlled senate in case of impeachment.

By removing God from their platform in 2012, the democratic party are not recognizing their sins, abandoning their sins, confessing their sins, or making restitution for their sins. They are, simply, avoiding their sins. To repeat C.S. Lewis, you can’t simply go on pretending that the evil doesn’t need to be undone. “...Evil can be undone, but it *cannot* ‘develop’ into good...”<sup>158</sup>

In 750 B.C. Isaiah prophesied that in the *latter days*, prior to the Lord’s second coming, corrupt people would be calling evil good, and good evil. Listen to the Lord’s warning through His prophet:

*20 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!*

<sup>156</sup> Holland, Jeffrey R.. “C.S. Lewis, The Great Divorce (1946), viii..” The Ensign of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Sept. 2013, 19.

<sup>157</sup> “Impeachment of Bill Clinton.” Wikipedia. 3 Mar. 2015. <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Impeachment\_of\_Bill\_Clinton>.

<sup>158</sup> The Ensign of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Sept. 2013, 19.

*Isaiah 5:20*

Who are *them*?

Do you suppose calling abortion, homosexuality and same-sex marriage activity good, and those opposed to such as evil, are part of what the Lord is talking about here in the *latter days*? ‘*Them*’ are the Democrats!

Do you suppose mandating an employer to cover abortions, as Obamacare does with Hobby Lobby and other such businesses<sup>159</sup> when it’s against their religious and moral convictions to do so, is what the Lord is referring to when He says woe unto those who “...*take away the righteousness of the righteous from him...!*” (Isaiah 5:23)? ‘*Them*’ are the Democrats!

When a person’s righteousness is taken away against his will, wouldn’t you agree that he has been spiritually and morally raped?

President Clinton had no problem with spiritually and morally raping people – it’s part of his D.N.A.! He spiritually and morally raped the United States of America. Because of his lewd conduct as Governor of Arkansas and, then, as President of the United States, our nation has become more permissive and sinful – to the point where a person’s right to choose between good and evil is being infringed. Evil is being forced upon us, as with Obamacare and Planned Parenthood *forcing* the people and businesses to perform abortions at tax-payer expense. The Democrats are *forcing* us to participate in their evil ways, thereby taking ‘...away the righteousness of the righteous from him...’. Make no mistake about it, we the righteous are paying for the abortions of the wicked, thereby *forcing* us to participate in their wickedness and, thus, being robbed of our righteousness. What does the Lord say about it? “...Woe unto those...” who are doing it! You had better *make restitution* by repealing Obamacare, Planned Parenthood, same-sex marriage legislation and the like, otherwise one day you’ll find out what the definition of ‘Woe’ really is! ‘*Them*’ are the Democrats!

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<sup>159</sup> Ertelt, Steven. “Supreme Court Rules Obama Admin Can’t Make Hobby Lobby Obey Pro-Abortion HHS Mandate.” Life News.com. 30 Jun. 2014.

At the risk of being redundant, I want to emphasize why God-fearing laws are the key to our nation's political and spiritual prosperity as George Washington warned us!

God-fearing laws enables the people to better discern between good and evil, virtue and vice, light and darkness. Democratic policy doesn't want that to occur. Why? I'll explain, but I want you to, again, put on your thinking caps!

Good God-fearing laws allows the people to become more and more righteous, and empowers them to fulfill the commandment of the Savior to “...*Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect*” (Matthew 5:48). As we keep God's laws we become favored of the Lord. We become more righteous and more perfected a little at a time. We can become ‘perfect, even as [our] Father which is in heaven is perfect.’

Contrast that with corrupt laws (Planned Parenthood and abortions) whose sole purpose is to disenfranchise the people from God—by forcing the people to murder innocent life by funding abortions through taxation.

Roe v Wade, legalizing abortion, is a ‘commandment of men, not a commandment of God.’ The Democrats have also “...*made the commandment of God...*” or the sanctity of life, “...*of none effect by your tradition...*” (Matthew 15:6). Roe v Wade has become a tradition in our society since 1973 and the Lord is fed up and has brought *terror* to our shores, increasingly, because of our moral and religious decay!

Again, recognize and abandon the commandments of men that are not in tune with the commandments of God.

Senator Ted Cruz of Texas is right! In the Republican Primary debates of 2015 and 2016 he emphasized the importance of repealing Obamacare and the dire need to fill vacancies on the Supreme Court with God-fearing men or women who will also repeal the corrupt laws of Roe v Wade, Same-Sex Marriage and any other corrupt and immoral law – thus helping us to avert the consequences that took place in Sodom, Gommorah and Pompeii!

Did Obamacare prohibit the free exercise of religion? The first amendment to the constitution reads: “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or *prohibiting the free exercise thereof;...*”<sup>160</sup>

The ninth amendment reads: “The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage (belittle) others retained by the people.”<sup>161</sup>

So, again, what about Obamacare (Affordable Care Act)? Did the President have a legal or constitutional right to alter a statute that had been signed into law, as he did with delaying the employer mandate? Did Congress have a right to defund Obamacare if the President had broken the law? Certainly!

Did Obamacare prohibit the free exercise of religion when it mandated Hobby Lobby and other such businesses to perform abortions, and to fund them, contrary to their religion and conscience? Certainly!

Obamacare has become law! Granted! But, as aforementioned, Obamacare, Planned Parenthood and Same-Sex Marriage legislation are corrupt laws that *forces* righteous and decent people to pay, through taxes, for ungodly and anti-Christian legislation. Even though a wicked law, it still must come into compliance with the Constitution as stated in Article 2 Section 8 of the Constitution itself: “...Before he enter on the execution of his office, he shall take the following oath or affirmation: – ‘I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States.’”<sup>162</sup> Any law or laws that “*...take away the righteousness of the righteous from him...*” (Isaiah 5:23) is unconstitutional in that the person’s constitutional right of property is being infringed. Being forced to pay, through taxes, for anti-Christian legislation is condemned by the Lord, Himself; and, again, is taking “*...away the righteousness of the righteous from him...*” (Isaiah 5:23)!

<sup>160</sup> Starr, Todd, and Curti. Living American Documents. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 85.

<sup>161</sup> Living American Documents, 87.

<sup>162</sup> Living American Documents, 81.

When President Obama was sworn in by Chief Justice John Roberts he placed his hand on the Bible and swore to uphold the Constitution. The Lord will hold him directly responsible for failing to uphold his oath and the Constitution!

But if President Obama would have repented and tweaked Obamacare to make it Constitution-friendly and Christian-friendly, then the Lord would've forgiven his proud and brash efforts in steam-rolling that unconstitutional law through Congress! It must be remembered that the Declaration of Independence states that all men are "...endowed by their Creator...". And who is our Creator? Ephesians 3:9, plainly, states that God "*...created all things by Jesus Christ:...*". Therefore, Obamacare must be, not only, Constitution-friendly, but also, Christian-friendly!

But President Obama insisted on pretending that the evil didn't need to be undone; therefore he simply avoided the sin. Again, he needed to recognize the sin, abandon the sin, confess the sin, and *make restitution for the sin* by making Obamacare Constitution and Christian-friendly, otherwise forgiveness can never be applied!

Since evil is running rampant in our society, particularly among the Democrats and the laws they've enacted, it's of paramount importance that the more righteous part of the people *get out the vote* in order to repeal those corrupt laws. It's a commandment to vote! If we neglect our duty to elect righteous leaders the sin will be upon our own heads: "*...if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet...*" or one implication is to vote "*..., and the people be not warned; if the sword come and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand...*" (Ezekiel 33:6). The lives of our children and grandchildren are at stake and their blood will be upon our heads if we fail to do all we can to defeat evil!

Here is a sobering thought! Back on November 8, 2012, bipartisanpolicy.org published an article on voter turnout, and I quote: "... Voter turnout dipped from 62.3 percent of eligible citizens voting in 2008 to an estimated 57.2 percent in 2012. Despite an increase of

over eight million citizens in the eligible population, turnout declined from 131 million voters in 2008 to an estimated 126 million voters in 2012...”. The article concludes with this unbelievable stat: “...Some 93 million eligible citizens did not vote...”.

If we are one of those 93 million eligible citizens not voting, we need to recognize the sin of failing to vote, abandon the sin and *make restitution for the sin*, by not only voting, but also encouraging our righteous family, friends and neighbors to vote. Let’s get out the vote and turn this fiasco around!





## CHAPTER NINE

# WHY RULES AND COMMANDMENTS?

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What makes sports so enjoyable? Is it the competition? Is it the successes? Is it the chance to bounce back after a loss? What exactly is it?

I submit that rules allow a *level playing field* whereby the best man or the best team, more often than not, wins the game.

Can any logical and reasonable man think that an all-just God would put us here upon the earth without giving us rules and commandments to live by – enabling a level playing field for all? So that the best man or best team could win and, thus, return to Him? Without a level playing field with commandments, Satan and his followers would have a distinct advantage over all of us!

Rules and commandments also makes the game fun, because you're enabled to practice and perform within the same parameters each and every practice and game – thereby allowing you to perfect your game!

In fact, if you take away the playing rules of any sport, be it football, baseball, basketball, soccer, golf, hockey, swimming, tennis or any other sport – *you have no game!*

Likewise, if you take away the commandments of God here on earth, you take away a *level playing field* and you have no legal and honest game!

The unrighteous presidents and judges are beginning to take away the commandments of God and, thus, a *level playing field*, through unrighteous legislation. As already noted numerous times throughout

this book, abortion, homosexuality, same-sex marriage, a lack of the death penalty, fornication and the like are in direct violation to the commandments of God as taught in the King James version of the Bible. Apparently, Supreme Court Justices Kennedy, Ginsburg, Sotomayer, Breyer and Kagan didn't believe God and His commandments. I guess they knew better than their Creator. The Pharisees, Sadducees, Scribes, Judges and lawyers of Jesus' day thought they, too, knew better than the Lord – but time after time He confounded them with His superior logic and common sense. The only thing they could do to Him was to kill Him, which they did. Even that occurred only because He allowed it in order to bring to pass their immortality and eternal life – on condition of their repentance. Just keep His commandments and live!

Remember the counsel of the Lord, “*...Judge not, that ye be not judged...*” (Matthew 7:1). The Lord has given you the rules to play the game. The Lord forbids us to change His rules or commandments. “*...If ye love me, keep my commandments...*” (John 14:15). Implicit in that scripture is the fact that those that don't keep His commandments hate Him. Those justices just mentioned fall into that category of hating God and His commandments. They are bringing to pass the prophesy of Isaiah, that, in the latter days, the wicked leaders would be calling ‘...evil good and good evil...’

The Lord doesn't need you to change and alter the rules OR the 10 Commandments. They've served us well since Moses' and Jesus' day! What the Lord needs is *obedience* to the law already given. “*...Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice...*” (1 Samuel 15:22). Hence, the warning “*...Judge not...*”; In other words, as mentioned in a previous chapter, the Lord is saying, “I've already done the judging for you. I don't need you to make judgments, but rather I need you to be *obedient* to the judgments and rules I've given you to play the game. But if you do choose to make your own judgments – BEWARE “*...with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again...*” (Matthew 7:2).

The Lord loves us and wants us to be successful; hence, He has blessed us with the rules to play the game. But, beware, you cannot play outside the parameters of the rules – just as you cannot play outside

the parameters of the rules of the aforementioned sports and expect to be successful. The referee, the umpire, the field judge, or the chair judge will catch you, and you'll be penalized.

The only difference between the games of sport and the Gospel is the fact that we visually and physically interact with the referees, the umpires, the field judges, and the chair judges here on earth whereas we don't, normally, physically interact with our Heavenly Father – except in prayer.

The dictionary defines Gospel as

**1. The teachings of the Christian church as originally preached by Jesus Christ and the apostles**

and

**2. A narrative of Christ's life and teachings, as exemplified by any of the first four books of the New Testament.**<sup>163</sup>

To participate in the Gospel plan requires *faith* in Christ – that what He taught on earth and recorded in the scriptures, through His disciples, constitute the rules we are to live and play by! In the final chapter I will discuss the relationship between faith and repentance – the first two of the most basic principles of the gospel.<sup>164</sup>

If you choose, and you do have a choice, to play outside the parameters of the rules, BEWARE! Do you remember the warning of the Lord in Leviticus if we choose to break our covenant with Him? *“...I will even appoint over you terror...”* (Leviticus 26:16).

The Presidents, judges, lawmakers or anyone who has authorized a woman the right to kill through abortion – and others the right to participate in homosexual and same-sex marriage activity – are playing outside the parameters of the rules. Unless they repent and make restitution for their sin (through repealing those corrupt laws), they will be held directly responsible before the Lord!

<sup>163</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 577.

<sup>164</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1993. The Articles of Faith, Article 4, 60.

*1 Then said he unto the disciples, It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe unto him, through whom they come!*

*2 It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones.*

*3 Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.*

*4 And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.*

*Luke 17:1-4*

Therefore presidents, judges, lawmakers or anyone allowing women the right to kill and others the right to participate in homosexual and same-sex marriage activity are causing those people to sin. Their blood will be upon your heads. So judge righteous judgments! If your brother sins, rebuke him, as the scripture says; don't endorse his incorrect behavior by passing corrupt laws that are contrary to Christ's rules.

Don't be afraid to repent! The Lord loves you! He'll forgive you of all your misdeeds! But, whatever you do, don't just keep running from the truth! Jesus, speaking to the Apostle Thomas, said: "*...I am the way, the truth, and the life...*" (John 14:6). Jesus substantiates this scripture through the words of C.S. Lewis, as mentioned in the last chapter: '...Evil can be undone, but it cannot 'develop' into good...'. Evil is undone through repentance to our Savior Jesus Christ.

Don't be ashamed of the gospel of Christ. Take up your cross and follow Him as He has commanded us. He commanded our Pilgrim and Puritan ancestors to do the same – and they did a great job! We, too, with effort and determination can leave to our posterity what our Pilgrim and Puritan ancestors left to us – a land of liberty! But we have to clean up the spiritual and moral degradation that surrounds

us and the 31.46 trillion dollars in debt we've incurred as a nation.<sup>165</sup> *Our children don't deserve such an inheritance.* Let's be obedient to the Lord and He promises He'll drive *terror* from among us. That's the inheritance our children deserve.

And as far as the separation of church and state – what is that hogwash? Think about it – the spirit is to the body what the church is to the state. Both were created and meant to be together! One mortal soul (spirit and body) and one nation (church and state) under God, are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Do you remember President George Washington's farewell address? He was able to see their relationship. "...Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political (state) prosperity, religion and morality (church) are indispensable supports..."<sup>166</sup> And he continues: "...Where is the security for property, for reputation, for life, if the sense of religious obligation (church) desert the oaths which are the instruments of investigation in courts of justice (state)?"<sup>167</sup>

Are our presidents and judges applying their 'religious obligation' (church) to the cases they are trying in our 'courts of justice' (state)? If not, according to President Washington, they are jeopardizing the people's '...security for property, for reputation, for life...' <sup>168</sup>

Our nation was created, originally, with the Church and State as one – as mentioned in both the Declaration of Independence (state) where Thomas Jefferson referred to "...nature's God...", "...endowed by their Creator..." and calling upon the "...protection of Divine Providence (church)..."<sup>169</sup>; and the very first amendment to the Constitution – freedom of religion (church) imbedded in the Bill of Rights (state).<sup>170</sup>

<sup>165</sup> "5 facts about the U.S. national Debt" Desilver, Drew. Pew Research Center. Feb 10, 2023. <<https://pewresearch.org>>

<sup>166</sup> Starr, Todd, and Curti. *Living American Documents*. Sacramento: California Department of Education, 1967, 105.

<sup>167</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>168</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>169</sup> *Living American Documents*, 50.

<sup>170</sup> *Living American Documents*, 85.

And by the way Christ's spirit (church) was, only, separated from His body (state) for a grand total of three days until His resurrection – never to be separated again.<sup>171</sup> After death (the separation of the spirit from the body),<sup>172</sup> it is true we won't be resurrected nearly as quickly as the Savior, but when resurrected, like the Savior, our spirits (church) and bodies (state) will be united forever – *never to be separated again*.<sup>173</sup>

The Puritans, Pilgrims and our Founding Fathers, as referenced earlier, were scrupulously strict in keeping the commandments of God as written in the King James Version of the bible. And what was the result?

The greatest nation the world has ever known emerged! It blossomed and flourished like none other! This nation has provided the impetus for the establishment of many similar democracies, that in like manner, have blossomed and flourished! So, again, the question is why have we, as a nation, blossomed and flourished? Isn't it because our Puritan, Pilgrim and Founding Father ancestors were more scrupulously strict in keeping the commandments of God than we are today?

Among Christians it's generally common knowledge that spiritual (church) and temporal (state) blessings and cursings are in direct proportion to our obedience or disobedience to the commandments of God; therefore, if that is true, it is impossible to separate Church and State – except, illegally, through corrupt laws that break God's commandments! Think about it!

God and Christ created you, They know you, They love you, and They cannot be hoodwinked! They simply want you to change your behavior if it's not in accordance with Their rules and commandments – just as good parents want their children to change their behavior if it's not in accordance with their rules and commandments.

So is there any hope? Because of the Savior repentance is made possible, and hope is made sure!

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<sup>171</sup> "The Apostles' Creed and 1Peter 3:19 – Did Jesus preach to spirits in Hades?" Biblelight. 2015. <[www.biblelight.net/prison.htm](http://www.biblelight.net/prison.htm)>.

<sup>172</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Luke 23:46.

<sup>173</sup> "God's Plan of Salvation." The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. 21 Feb. 2012. <[www.mormon.org/beliefs/plan-of-salvation](http://www.mormon.org/beliefs/plan-of-salvation)>.

Then *why* be obedient and keep God's commandments? Because, frankly, He's smarter than we are and wants us to have all that He has – just as good parents want what's best for their children; but the children have to learn to stop stealing from the cookie jar, repent and make restitution. Then, and only then, can the Lord apply the miracle of forgiveness.

I've experienced the Lord's forgiveness and, believe me, it 'surpasseth all understanding'. As the great comedian Jackie Gleason used to say "...how sweet it is..."!<sup>174</sup>

If we can begin to practice the Law of Repentance, individually and as a nation, then the Lord promises He will drive *terror* from us!

In conclusion, why has the Lord given us rules and commandments? They enable us to have eternal life: "*If thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments*" (Matthew 19:17). They enable us to show our love for Him: "*If ye love me, keep my commandments*" (John 14:15). And, again, "*For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments...*" (1 John 5:3). They enable us to repent and receive a remission of sins: "*And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins...*" (Luke 3:3). After we repent and receive a remission of our sins they enable us to become like the Savior, meek and lowly in heart:

*Come unto me (implied is to keep His commandments), all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*

*Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

*For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

*Matthew 11:28-30*

And because of meekness and lowliness of heart the Holy Ghost visits us<sup>175</sup> and reveals to us great revelations, as He did with James

<sup>174</sup> "Jackie Gleason, 'The Great One'." Jackie Gleason.com. 2015. <www.jackiegleason.com>.

<sup>175</sup> The Book of Mormon. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. 2013. Moroni 8:25-26.



Madison and the other 54 delegates to the Constitutional Convention in the summer of 1787.

Although all were inspired in Philadelphia that hot summer, James Madison was especially so! He was a spiritual man who graduated in 1771 from the College of New Jersey (later Princeton). He was interested in politics and law, but chose to spend a year in postgraduate work studying theology. He was considering a career as a Christian minister.<sup>176</sup> While framing the Constitution, and being a God-fearing man who kept the commandments, the Holy Ghost enabled him to see the importance of the separation of powers (legislative, executive, and judicial) within a strong central government.

It must be remembered, as mentioned in chapter four, these framers to our sacred Constitution were direct descendants of our Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors. They were spiritual gurus concerning the King James version of the bible. If studied closely, it can be easily seen that our Constitution is a spiritual masterpiece written by the best people the Lord could bring together at the time.<sup>177</sup>

After the Holy Ghost visits and inspires us, as He did with James Madison and our other Founding Fathers, we can keep Him as a constant companion if we keep the commandment to “...*pray always...*” (Luke 21:36) and have “...*diligence unto prayer...*” (Moroni 8:26).

Finally, keeping the commandments enables us to be God-fearing, as were James Madison and the other Founding Fathers: “*Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man*” (Ecclesiastes 12:13).

The ultimate goal in keeping the commandments of God is receiving forgiveness from Him. Spencer W. Kimball, in his book ‘The Miracle of Forgiveness’, explains it this way: “...The third chapter of the Book of Revelation contains these words of the Savior:

<sup>176</sup> “James Madison.” History Central. 2015. <[www.historycentral.com/Bio/presidents/madison.html](http://www.historycentral.com/Bio/presidents/madison.html)>.

<sup>177</sup> Benson, Ezra Taft. “Our Divine Constitution.” The Ensign of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Oct. 1987. <[www.lds.org/general-conference/1987/10/our-divine-constitution?lang=eng](http://www.lds.org/general-conference/1987/10/our-divine-constitution?lang=eng)>.

*Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.*

*Revelation 3:20*

Holman Hunt, the artist, felt inspired to capture this stirring scripture on canvas. One day he was showing his picture of ‘Christ Knocking at the Door’ to a friend when the friend suddenly exclaimed: ‘There is one thing wrong about your picture.’

‘What is it?’ Inquired the artist.

‘The door on which Jesus knocks has no handle,’ replied his friend.

‘Ah,’ responded Mr. Hunt, ‘that is not a mistake. You see, this is the door to the human heart. It can only be opened from the inside!

And thus it is. Jesus may stand and knock, but each of us decides whether to open. The spirit is powerless to compel a man to move. The man himself must take the initiative. He must himself desire to repent and take the specific steps. He must, as Paul counseled, ‘put on the whole armour of God,’ and thus insure that he is ‘able to stand against the wiles of the devil’ (Ephesians 6:11). That armour is incomplete without steadfast effort to *live God’s commandments*. Without such effort repentance, too, is incomplete. And incomplete repentance never brought complete forgiveness”<sup>178</sup>

Therefore, the repentance process entails recognition of the sin, abandoning the sin, confessing the sin, and making restitution for the sin. By keeping God’s commandments, as received by Moses on Mt. Sinai and by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount, one is provided a level playing field where the repentant sinner can earn relief.

In 2014, President Obama announced and signed an Executive Order<sup>179</sup> allowing 5 million illegal immigrants the right to be issued work permits, contrary to the law established by Congress.<sup>180</sup> Such

<sup>178</sup> Kimball, Spencer W. *The Miracle of Forgiveness*. Salt Lake City: Bookcraft, 1969, 212. “Copyright” Deseret Book Company. Used by Permission.

<sup>179</sup> Barletta, Lou. “Obama’s Executive Order Does Harm to American Workers.” Roll Call. 10 Dec. 2014. <[www.rollcall.com/news/obamas\\_executive\\_order\\_does\\_harm\\_to\\_american\\_workers\\_commentary-238611-1.html](http://www.rollcall.com/news/obamas_executive_order_does_harm_to_american_workers_commentary-238611-1.html)>.

<sup>180</sup> Pearson, Hampton. “Immigration. Texas AG: 17 states to sue Obama over immigration executive order.” CNBC. 3 Dec. 2014. <[www.cnbc.com/id/102214001#](http://www.cnbc.com/id/102214001#)>.

unlawful conduct robs the legal immigrants, who have gotten in line and fought hard to become legal citizens, of a level playing field.

This announcement came just days after the Republicans picked up at least 9 seats in the Senate and increased their lead in the House. It should be mentioned that President Obama was completely shunned by his own party during the 2014 midterm campaigns. He was not a happy camper!

The President should have repented of breaking the rules as passed into law by Congress. An Executive Order allows the President so-called 'prosecutorial discretion' to expand on a law currently on the books. He does not have the Constitutional power to completely change the law as passed by Congress.<sup>181</sup> In fact, the United States Supreme Court had already ruled, during his presidency, that President Obama had violated the 'separation of powers' clauses of the Constitution.<sup>182</sup>

So, why did the President sign such a bold 'defacto'<sup>183</sup> Executive Order knowing it would probably be shut down eventually? He and his party had just taken a thorough beating in the 2014 midterm election. He needed votes for his party for 2016 and beyond! Votes, votes, and more votes!

Rules (commandments) allow for a *level playing field* to play the game. President Obama needed to recognize the sin of changing the rules (commandments) as passed by Congress. The Executive Order on Immigration allowed for an *unlevel playing field* that punished legal immigrants who have fought long and hard to obtain citizenship.<sup>184</sup> It, also, punished the illegal immigrant by teaching them that abandoning the rule of law is a good thing. What was that that the Prophet Isaiah said would occur in the latter days? That some would be calling 'good evil and evil good'?

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<sup>181</sup> Pavlich, Katie. "Federal Judge on Obama's Illegal Immigration Executive Action: It's Unconstitutional." Townhall. 17 Dec.2014. <[www.townhall.com/tipsheet/katiepavlich/2014/12/17/federal-judge-on-obamas-illegal-immigration-executive-action-its-unconstitutional](http://www.townhall.com/tipsheet/katiepavlich/2014/12/17/federal-judge-on-obamas-illegal-immigration-executive-action-its-unconstitutional)>.

<sup>182</sup> Ibid.

<sup>183</sup> Funk and Wagnalls, 349.

<sup>184</sup> "Republicans savage Obama immigration executive action." BBC NEWS. 21 Nov. 2014. <[www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-30150391](http://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-30150391)>.

The President needed to abandon the sin, confess the sin, and make restitution for the sin by signing into law good border security legislation that may have crossed his desk over his last year in office. The Republicans had a majority in both the Senate and the House. Seal the border as you would seal your house from any toxic element that would endanger you or yours!

By keeping the covenant to always remember Him – through partaking of the sacrament each week and, at that time, applying the principle of repentance and the repentance process – then, and only then, can we claim the Law of Mercy<sup>185</sup> through the atonement of Christ! Then, and only then, can we experience that glorious promise of the miracle of forgiveness!

Rules and commandments allow for a *level playing field*, but they must be fair for all participants; and they must be in accordance with the will of God. *Roe v Wade*, homosexual and same-sex marriage legislation that promotes such errant behavior, and ‘defacto’ Executive Orders that defy righteous laws are corrupt laws and activities. They are the ‘commandments of men’ that the unrighteous presidents and justices are ‘teaching for doctrine’, as mentioned in Matthew 15 verse 9. Corrupt laws are contrary to the will of God. And they are corrupt because they teach contrary to the ‘commandments of God’, as mentioned in Matthew 15 verses 2 through 9.

The Sanhedrin,<sup>186</sup> the Jewish Senate and highest court (in civil and ecclesiastical matters among the Jewish nation) at the time of Jesus, knew He was the literal Son of God. Then why did they turn Him over to Pilate to be killed?<sup>187</sup> Could it be for fame and power?

I submit that most democrats today, likewise, know that *Roe v Wade*, homosexual and same-sex marriage legislation, and other sinful behavior is wrong, but they, too, do not want to relinquish that fame, riches, and honor associated with dishonest behavior. Since the

<sup>185</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Exodus 20:6; Daniel 9:4; Doctrine and Covenants 70:18; The Book of Mormon: Alma 34:15-16.

<sup>186</sup> Schoenberg, Shira. “Ancient Jewish History: The Sanhedrin.” Jewish Virtual Library. 2015. <[www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Judaism/Sanhedrin.html](http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Judaism/Sanhedrin.html)>.

<sup>187</sup> Scirocco, Scruffy. “Why Did the Jews Want Jesus Killed?” Tower of Reason. 26 Apr. 2009. <[www.towerofreason.blogspot.com/2009/04/why-did-the-jews-want-jesus-killed.html](http://www.towerofreason.blogspot.com/2009/04/why-did-the-jews-want-jesus-killed.html)>.

time of Adam and Eve, when sin was first introduced into the world, *pretending* to believe in false doctrines is nothing new. Although this scripture was used earlier it bears repeating: “...*for there were many who loved the vain things of the world, and they went forth preaching false doctrines; and this they did for the sake of riches and honor. Nevertheless they durst not lie, if it were known, for fear of the law, for liars were punished; therefore they pretended to preach according to their belief; and now the law could have no power on any man for his belief..*” (Alma 1:16-17)<sup>188</sup>.

Does that sound familiar? Does the law today have ‘power on any man for his belief’?

Does the Democratic Party, like the Sanhedrin of old, *pretend* to believe in false doctrines (Roe v Wade, homosexual and same-sex marriage legislation, safe-sex instead of abstinence before marriage, defacto Executive Orders on illegal immigration, etc.) for the sake of riches and honor and political gain?

And more recently, under President Biden, does the Democratic Party, like the Sanhedrin of old, *pretend* to believe in false doctrines (‘Open Borders’, Wokeness, Critical Race Theory, Cancel Culture, weaponization of the DOJ and FBI against Parents and political opponents) for the sake of riches and honor and political gain?<sup>189</sup>

While you’re pondering those questions, and, again, as mentioned in Chapter Eight, why didn’t President Obama pass immigration reform in ‘09 and ‘10 when he had a majority in both the Senate and the House of Representatives? Why do the democrats not want a sealed, secure border?

Again, as mentioned in Chapter Eight and, also, bears repeating, it must be remembered that the greatest regret of President Reagan’s second term in office was his failure in believing the democrats that they would secure the border if he signed the Amnesty Bill of 1986. He signed the bill into law, but the democrats reneged on their promise

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<sup>188</sup> Book of Mormon, Another Testament of Jesus Christ

<sup>189</sup> Steven Nelson, New York Post./ ‘FBI verified authenticity of Hunter Biden’s abandoned laptop in Nov. 2019 ; IRS whistle-blower’. June 22, 2023/ <www FBI ‘verified’ authenticity of hunter bidens laptop in nov 2019; IRS whistleblower>

to secure the border.<sup>190</sup> Why? Could it be that a porous, lawless (an administration that doesn't enforce current immigration laws) border translates, eventually, into votes, votes, and more votes?

Again, I would be willing to bet that most Americans, before they retire to bed at night, secure their homes. Why? Because it promotes safety, security, and protection for them and their families! Only a despotic leader would leave our borders unsecure and porous, in order to secure for himself and his cohorts fame, power and riches. And yes, more votes!

We are a nation founded upon Judeo-Christian principles. The Lord needed a land, established in liberty, where the Gospel could flourish. But we know through scripture that an Apostasy, or 'falling away' from the truth, had to take place prior to His Second Coming:

*3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;*

*2 Thessalonians 2:3*

So, without the priesthood, or the authority to act in God's name on the earth,<sup>191</sup> the people struggled to find the truth. As mentioned in an earlier chapter Catholicism emerged, followed by the Protestant Reformation. The Protestant Reformation refined Christianity even more, so that our Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors, armed with the Geneva and King James Versions of the bible, could establish a land of liberty founded upon a 'sure foundation',<sup>192</sup> Christ, the 'Plymouth Rock' of our salvation, both temporally and spiritually. We know this exodus to freedom occurred in 1607.

Our Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors brought with them the rules (commandments) we are to play the game by – just as the early Israelites brought with them the Ten Commandments to their Promised Land. The only difference between the two was the fact that the Ten

<sup>190</sup> Tassani, William J.. "Letter/Reagan amnesty failed because Democrats failed to live up to promise." Myrtle Beach Online. 17 Aug. 2014. <[www.myrtlebeachonline.com/2014/08/17/4415192/letter-reagan-amnesty-failed-because.html](http://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/2014/08/17/4415192/letter-reagan-amnesty-failed-because.html)>.

<sup>191</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3.

<sup>192</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Matthew 7:24-25.

Commandments were carried within the portable ‘Tabernacle’<sup>193</sup> across the desert, and the Bible (with all the commandments) was carried by the Mayflower across the sea. Both civilizations prospered, initially, but over time became lackadaisical in keeping the commandments. In a nutshell, when the commandments were kept the nations prospered, and when they were not kept they regressed, both temporally and spiritually.<sup>194</sup>

The dictionary defines the word commandment as 1. An authoritative mandate; edict; order; law and 2. Sometimes cap. One of the Ten Commandments.<sup>195</sup>

Some people today say ‘it’s old-fashioned’ to have to keep commandments. They say ‘it’s my right’ to do anything I want, even to the point of changing God’s rules (commandments) in order to avoid such discipline. *Roe v Wade*, promoting homosexual and same-sex marriage activity, and promoting fornication through the use of condoms are corrupt laws and activities that has brought *terror* to our borders, just as *terror* was brought to the borders of the Israelites when they failed to keep the commandments of God.

Yes, to keep the commandments of God requires discipline. The word disciple is derived from the word discipline.<sup>196</sup> To be a disciple of Christ does require discipline, but it is far easier to keep God’s commandments than to have to deal with the results of not keeping His commandments; for example, the Israelites being brought into bondage by both the Babylonians and the Assyrians<sup>197</sup> and then being restored again to their lands of promise once they repented and began, again, to keep the Lord’s commandments. They could have bypassed the *terrorism* of being brought into bondage by keeping the Lord’s commandments to begin with!

<sup>193</sup> “What is the Tabernacle of Moses?” The Tabernacle Place. 2004. <[www.thetabernacleplace.com/articles/what\\_is\\_the\\_tabernacle](http://www.thetabernacleplace.com/articles/what_is_the_tabernacle)>.

<sup>194</sup> “When God’s People Strayed.” Restored Gospel.com. 2010. <[www.restoredgospel.com/Issues/Stray/NephiteFolly.asp](http://www.restoredgospel.com/Issues/Stray/NephiteFolly.asp)>.

<sup>195</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. P. 271.

<sup>196</sup> Whidden, Paula. “When Disciple and Discipline Come Together.” Faithful Choices. 2015. <[www.faithfulchoices.com/when-disciple-and-discipline-come-together/](http://www.faithfulchoices.com/when-disciple-and-discipline-come-together/)>.

<sup>197</sup> “History and Timeline of Israel and Judah.” Jews and Joes. 23 Feb. 2008. <[www.jewsandjoes.com/history-and-timeline-of-israel-and-judah.html](http://www.jewsandjoes.com/history-and-timeline-of-israel-and-judah.html)>.

Have President Obama or Biden been good stewards and good disciples of Christ in handling the people's money? Have they shown discipline in driving the national debt to nearly 31.46 trillion dollars?<sup>198</sup>

Charles Krauthammer and George Will, two of the greatest journalists of our day, were baseball freaks during their recreational time.<sup>199</sup> They were, in fact, close friends. George Will is a conservative Republican and Charles Krauthammer, a converted Republican. They were both Washington Nationals fans! Charles passed away in 2018!

Charles' conversion is unique. Before becoming a journalist, he earned his M.D. in Psychiatry from Harvard. From 1980, when he was a speech writer for then democratic presidential hopeful Walter Mondale, to approximately 1990, he changed his political view from democratic to republican. When asked by Bret Baier, the Fox News commentator, as to why he changed, he said, in so many words, as a scientist he was trained using empirical evidence. He then said, and I quote: "...If the treatment is killing the patient, you stop the treatment..."<sup>200</sup>

Charles Krauthammer, like President Reagan before him, could have *pretended* that the democratic party didn't need a bandage or two. But both men were raised by good, God-fearing parents who had a respect for the 'rule of law',<sup>201</sup> and both could plainly see that the democratic party was beginning to play outside the rules (commandments) and parameters of the game of politics.

We all need rules and commandments! As mentioned earlier they allow for a *level playing field* whereby the best man or best team, more often than not, wins the game. They also make the game fun because you're enabled to practice and perform within the same parameters each and every practice and game – thereby allowing you to perfect your game! And what did the Lord command us to do? ***"...Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect"*** (Matthew 5:48).

<sup>198</sup> Same as Page 89.

<sup>199</sup> Baier, Bret. "Fox News Reporting Charles Krauthammer – A Life that Matters." 11 Nov. 2013. <[www.video.foxnews.com/vl/2829277157001/fox-news-reporting-charles-krauthammer-a-life-that-matters/?#sp=watchlive](http://www.video.foxnews.com/vl/2829277157001/fox-news-reporting-charles-krauthammer-a-life-that-matters/?#sp=watchlive)>.

<sup>200</sup> Ibid.

<sup>201</sup> Ibid.



Hey, is perfection easy? No, but if eaten one bite at a time, the elephant, in fact, can be eaten. And depending on how you like your elephant cooked, it can taste good and be fun!

Has Charles Krauthammer and George Will perfected their games of journalism and politics since 1980? Have they played within the rules and parameters of their game and have they had fun on their roads to perfection? I submit they have, and I further submit their beloved Washington Nationals try to become more perfected, themselves, as they play within the rules and parameters of the game of baseball!

So, what are the rules and commandments for *everyone* regardless of profession? *Repentance* is the commandment<sup>202</sup>!

As stated earlier, repentance is a word derived from the Greek meaning *to change*.<sup>203</sup> Charles Krauthammer and President Reagan both *changed* their behavior by recognizing the sins that the democratic party were becoming involved in (*Roe v Wade*, etc.), abandoning and confessing the sins that the democratic party were becoming involved in, and making restitution for their sins by fighting against the platform of the democratic party, who has since taken God out of their platform<sup>204</sup>!

Repentance, to be successful, must occur daily and weekly. It can be achieved through personal introspection at home, but ideally, should be practiced (and I emphasize the word practice because a journalist nor a baseball player can perfect their game without persistent and diligent practice) at church during the administration of the sacrament. This is the method the Lord, Himself, prescribed when He first set up His Church among His apostles.<sup>205</sup> I testify, as you are persistent and diligent in this practice of applying the principle of repentance (daily and weekly), you will draw nearer and nearer to your Creator. He will

<sup>202</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Matthew 4:17; Doctrine and Covenants 6:9.

<sup>203</sup> "Strong's Greek:3340.metaneo': to change one's mind or purpose." Bible Hub. 2013. <[www.biblehub.com/greek/3340.htm](http://www.biblehub.com/greek/3340.htm)>.

<sup>204</sup> Hallowell, Billy. "Dems Remove All References to 'God' From 2012 Party Platform." The Blaze. 4 Sept. 2012. <[www.theblaze.com/stories/2012/09/04/dems-remove-all-references-to-god-from-2012-party-platform/](http://www.theblaze.com/stories/2012/09/04/dems-remove-all-references-to-god-from-2012-party-platform/)>.

<sup>205</sup> Holland, Jeffrey R. "This Do in Remembrance of Me." The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Oct. 1995. <<https://www.lds.org/general-conference/1995/10/this-do-in-remembrance-of-me?lang=eng>>.

communicate to you through the Holy Ghost, the third member of the Godhead.<sup>206</sup> There are divers' ways that the Lord can communicate to us, but, suffice it to say, He wants to develop a relationship with all of His children. His total goal is to bring to pass the immortality and eternal life of man.<sup>207</sup> But it must be remembered, as mentioned in the picture 'Christ Knocking at the Door', we must take the initiative and open our individual hearts to Him. He is always there knocking! This should be practiced daily, during prayers, and weekly, at Church during sacrament time! The New Testament shows the importance of gathering in a Church setting!

The Lord has inspired and quickened the minds of many in our era of high-tech, notably Steve Jobs of Apple, Elon Musk of Twitter and Mark Zuckerberg of Facebook. The Lord must get credit, through the Holy Ghost, for these inventions just as the Lord must get credit for the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus in 1492. The Holy Ghost fell upon him to sail west at a time the world believed the earth was flat!

How does the discovery of America equate to so-called 'Global Warming' of today? Hillary Clinton and her progressive left cronies fostered global warming in order to achieve fame, riches and power at the expense of you and me – the taxpayer! Global warming is no more true than the earth is flat, yet the scientists of the respective eras are, and were, stating the opposite! Global warming is minuscule compared to the absolute *moral decay* this country has incurred, especially since 1973 (Roe v Wade)! The Roman Empire were militarily strong, but *morally decayed* when they fell! They participated in orgies, fornication, adultery, same-sex unions and every other immoral depravity known to man! Again, what did George Washington warn us against in his farewell address of 1796? '...Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports...'. Indispensable means essential and/or necessary!

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<sup>206</sup>The Holy Bible (KJV): John 14:26.

<sup>207</sup>The Holy Bible (KJV): John 10:28; Moses 1:39.

Unless the progressive left *repent and change* their actions by putting God back into their political platform that they took out in 2012; unless they *repent and change* by keeping God's commandments instead of the commandments of men (Roe v Wade and abortion, homosexuality, same-sex marriage, capital punishment); unless they *repent and change* by advocating putting God back into our lives – for the first commandment given to Moses and the House of Israel was and is “...*Thou shalt have no other gods before me...*” (Exodus 20:3), obviously referring to, both, ‘gods’ of the Church and State;

Unless the progressive left *repent and change* by cleansing first “...*that which is within the cup and platter...*” (Matthew 23:26), the Lord referring to their spirits, housed within their bodies, then they will always be “...*full of extortion and excess...*” (Matthew 23:25).

When the Lord commands us to first cleanse, through repentance, our spirits within our ‘cup and platter’ (our body), isn't He teaching us the importance of prioritizing our choices? The Lord is giving us counsel that the only way to effectively clean ‘...outside...the cup and... platter...’ is to first cleanse our spirits within our bodies!

In other words, if you choose not to repent and clean your act up by keeping the commandments of God, He warns you and your posterity through the Prophet Malachi what to expect. And it's not just a little ‘global warming’ we're talking about here! Listen carefully and take heed:

*1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.*

*2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.*

*Malachi 4:1-2*

Notice the word ‘proud’ in that scripture by the Prophet Malachi. Prideful people do not like to repent! They’ve run away from humility all their lives, and as a result, have become wicked. If they choose not to repent, they shall ‘...burn...up...’ at the Second Coming of our Savior. Stay humble through repentance.

A word to the wise: Keep the commandments of God and not the commandments of men!

I find it ironic that the Democratic Party, in 2012, took God out of their Party Platform. And then, in mid-November of 2015, the House of Representatives voted down a measure that President Obama and the democrats desperately want – an influx of Syrian refugees displaced by war and terrorism. The President and his fellow democrats invoked the scriptures in an attempt to make the republicans feel *guilty* for not taking care of the poor and the needy, the naked and the hungry.

I would beg to differ with the President and his democratic cohorts. I would call a sixteen-week old fetus, just aborted from his or her mother’s womb, placed on an operating table – alive – and then body parts extracted for profit; now *that* I would call *not* taking care of the poor and the needy, the naked and the hungry!

The President would retort that a woman has a right to choose what to do with her body. But if you profess to be a Christian which he, Hillary and most the democrats profess to be, then they need to repent for lying to the people concerning their Christianity – for Christ, through Paul the Apostle, teaches:

*19 What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?*

*20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God’s*

*1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

In other words, and follow the logic closely; because Christ bought you with the price of the Atonement, our bodies and spirits are not our own, but belong to Them that created us and atoned for

us! The Atonement, also, gives Them the right to command us that we must obey or pay the consequences of disobedience. Since abortion, homosexuality, same-sex marriage, fornication, lying, not enforcing the death penalty when someone kills innocent life and other such sins are against God's commandments, the man or woman *has not* the right to choose what to do with their bodies – unless it's in accordance with the commandments of God!

Are Presidents Obama and Biden and most the democrats Christian? Not if they, through legislation, have committed the aforementioned sins can they claim to be Christian! So, deductively, they are not Christian until they apply the Principle of Repentance in their lives and change their behavior (by repealing the corrupt laws associated with those sins)!

Repentance, again, entails recognition of the sin, abandoning the sin, confessing the sin, and making restitution for the sin – and, forever thereafter, keeping God's rules and commandments to the best of one's ability, so that we, too, can become a good journalist, a good baseball player or any other good thing we want to become.

As we keep God's rules and commandments, we allow the Lord to apply the healing balm that can only come with the miracle of forgiveness!

So, in conclusion, why rules and commandments?

As previously proven, God established this land upon the principles of Christianity. The Puritans and Pilgrims were instruments in His hands to accomplish this great feat. Only under Christianity could the people be guaranteed free agency, or the right to choose between good and evil – the right to choose saving innocent life or killing innocent life – the right to choose marriage between a man and a woman or same-sex marriage – the right to choose chastity or fornication!

But with that free agency there are consequences to our actions. The Lord warns the Gentiles of today their need to repent and return unto Christ. Listen, carefully, to the Lord's admonition to us as a nation:

*10 For behold, this is a land which is choice above all other lands; wherefore he that doth possess it shall serve God or*

*shall be swept off; for it is the everlasting decree of God. And it is not until the fullness of iniquity among the children of the land, that they are swept off.*

*11 And this cometh unto you, O ye Gentiles, that ye may know the decrees of God – that ye may repent, and not continue in your iniquities until the fullness come, that ye may not bring down the fullness of the wrath of God upon you as the inhabitants of the land have hitherto done.*

*12 Behold, this is a choice land, and whatsoever nation shall possess it shall be free from bondage, and from captivity, and from all other nations under heaven, if they will but serve the God of the land, who is Jesus Christ, who hath been manifested by the things which we have written.*

*Ether 2:10-12<sup>208</sup>*

So, why have we not been brought into bondage and captivity as a nation? Could it be because of such documents as the Mayflower Compact and the men who signed it – devoting their very lives to serving Christ and the King James version of the Bible?

But over the past one-hundred years, with the repeal of prohibition, our nation has become more and more permissive, promiscuous and immoral – as depicted in F. Scott Fitzgerald’s “The Great Gatsby”. We, like the Roman Empire, have not lost our world power as yet. But, like the Roman Empire, we are rapidly losing our spiritual power through lascivious living. Our three hundred years are up in 2076!

Listen to the words of the Lord to His people before they entered their Promised Land:

*26 Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;*

*27 A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you this day:*

*28 And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the Lord your God...*

<sup>208</sup> Book of Mormon, Another Testament of Jesus Christ

*Deuteronomy 11: 26-28*

So, if you claim to believe in God and Christ then that scripture depicts the interrelationship between Church and State, and our total dependence on God and the Savior.

Rules and commandments as taught by Jesus Christ in the King James version of the Bible are as the compass to a seafaring captain in the midst of the ocean – we would be ‘dead in the water’ without them!

Because of the Democratic Party our compass (The Commandments) is being taken away and we, as a nation, are gradually becoming ‘dead in the water’!

## CHAPTER TEN

# FAITH AND REPENTANCE

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I intended Chapter Nine to be the final chapter to this book, but felt inspired to mention the importance of faith in Christ and it's relationship to the principle of repentance here on earth!

Jesus taught:

*17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.*

*John 3:17*

And again:

*16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

*John 3:16*

How did God, our Heavenly Father, acquire a love for us to that extent? How do we acquire love for each other here on earth? Isn't it through living, serving and sacrificing for each other? Just as a mother and father here on earth changes their children's diapers, works hard to feed, clothe and bathe them – so, too, our Father in heaven nurtured us in the pre-existence and saw our efforts in trying to please Them – day in and day out! Their love for us grew as They saw us stumble and fall, pull ourselves up by our boot traps and try



again! We wanted to be like Them! We wanted children of our own to love and to nourish as They did us!

Try to comprehend that statement for a second ‘...For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son...’. That’s all encompassing! All people from the Fall of Adam to the present and beyond. He loves us with a love that, at present, is incomprehensible to us!

Can we comprehend sacrificing one of our sons or daughters for another person? Yet the Lord called upon Abraham to do such a thing concerning Isaac, his son. As Abraham was about to sacrifice Isaac, an angel of the Lord intervened;<sup>209</sup> thus, Abraham became known as the ‘father of the faithful’<sup>210</sup> for his willingness to be obedient to the Lord at all costs. Abraham truly displayed a great love for our Father in heaven. But Heavenly Father didn’t have the luxury of someone intervening, as did Abraham.

As mentioned in a previous chapter, Heavenly Father and Jesus had spent eons of time and effort to prepare us for the day when we would come to earth (with a body) to prove our faithfulness, and to return to them by applying the principle of repentance.

The dictionary defines faith as 1. Belief without need of certain proof.<sup>211</sup>

The Bible defines faith as “...*the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen*” (Hebrews 11:1).

In other words ‘Faith is to hope for things which are not seen, but which are true’<sup>212</sup> and, according to the Bible, must be centered in Jesus Christ in order to produce salvation.<sup>213</sup>

Now, why would the Lord send us to earth without any recollection of our pre-existent state? What purpose does it serve? Does it have anything to do with the principle of faith?

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<sup>209</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV). Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1979. Genesis 22:11-12.

<sup>210</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Bible Dictionary, 601-602. 1979.

<sup>211</sup> Funk and Wagnalls. Standard College Dictionary. Sacramento: California State Department of Education, 1967, 477.

<sup>212</sup> The Book of Mormon. Salt Lake City: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2013. Alma 32:21.

<sup>213</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Acts 4:10-12.

How does the Lord teach us knowledge and doctrine? Isaiah tells us it must be “...*precept upon precept; line upon line...here a little, and there a little*” (Isaiah 28:10).

If the Lord were to reveal our pre-existence and ‘the truth of all things’ prematurely, would we have to exercise faith? No, we would have no cause to believe or have faith, for we would know ‘all things’ and that would negate the need of the principle of ‘faith’ any longer.

And again, how much more cursed would we be if we knew the will of God and did it not – than those of us who only believe, or only have cause to believe (or exercise faith), and fall into transgression? Logically, if we learn ‘precept upon precept’ and ‘line upon line’, as Isaiah teaches, and then fall into transgression, we would not be nearly as cursed as a person who has ‘the truth of all things’ revealed to him, and then falls into transgression. The latter, logically, would be far more cursed because he had ‘the truth of all things’ to begin with, and wasn’t *faithful*. The former, on the other hand, may stumble from time to time on his way to learning ‘the truth of all things’, but because he’s learning ‘precept upon precept’ and ‘line upon line’ and doesn’t know ‘the truth of all things’ yet, he cannot be held responsible to the same degree as a person who knows ‘the truth of all things’ and then falls into transgression. The Lord’s Law of Mercy and Repentance<sup>214</sup> allows us to get back on track, after we stumble and make mistakes!

Charles Krauthammer, as mentioned in the previous chapter, struggled to know ‘the truth of all things’ in his realm of politics and journalism. From 1980 to approximately 1990, he completely changed from a democrat to a republican. He applied Isaiah’s formula for learning more truth, knowledge and doctrine. He learned “...precept upon precept; line upon line...here a little, and there a little” (Isaiah 28:10). He did not have ‘the truth of all things’ to begin with; hence his progression. The amount of truth acquired from 1980 to 1990 was enormous for him. Likewise, all of us can acquire more truth as we are *faithful* in learning a little at a time.

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<sup>214</sup> The Holy Bible (KJV): Exodus 20:6; Daniel 9:4; Doctrine & Covenants 70:18. The Book of Mormon. Alma 34:15-16.

In other words, If God sent his Son into the world to condemn the world, he would have revealed to us not only our pre-existence, but also ‘the truth of all things’ – thus negating the need for the principle of *faith* and a veil of forgetfulness. And if we sinned we would be condemned right off the bat!

But, because he loves us, and wants us to become like Them, He has commanded us to “...*Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.*” (Matthew 5:48). God sent his Son into the world “...*that the world through him might be saved...*” (John 3:17). God placed a veil of forgetfulness over our minds, as he did the Prophet Jeremiah with the words:

*5 Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.*

*Jeremiah 1:4*

By placing a veil of forgetfulness over our minds, our Heavenly Father allows us a level playing field for all of His children and the opportunity to exercise our individual *faith* in Christ by keeping his commandments – thereby learning knowledge and doctrine “...*precept upon precept; line upon line...here a little, and there a little*” (Isaiah 28:10) until, eventually, we could know ‘the truth of all things’ and become ‘perfected’.

Those who exercise their *faith* in Christ, by keeping His commandments, will always be His friend, His confidant, His son or daughter, and He will *never* forsake you! They will *always* be the winners and will live with Him in the celestial kingdom of heaven!

Transgressions will occur, but because we’re imperfect we can exercise our *faith* in Christ by keeping his commandment to repent: “...*Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance...*” (Matthew 3:8).

In other words, God isn’t condemning us, but, on the contrary, is allowing us to be saved through the principle of repentance and, thus, enabling us to become like Him!

As we exercise our faith in Christ unto repentance, on a regular basis, we become more perfected in Christ and we are able to learn of him. Again, listen to Christ beseeching us:

*28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*

*29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

*30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light .*

*Matthew 11:28-30*

Again, Christ is saying: Have faith in me and ‘Come unto me’ at sacrament time, repent of your sins, keep my commandments ‘and I will give you rest.’

Because Christ atoned for the sins of all mankind<sup>215</sup> and suffered more than anyone who has ever lived upon the earth,<sup>216</sup> he is able to succor his followers; for he is ‘meek and lowly in heart’: and after descending below all things and carrying the burden of all mankind, now, in His resurrected state His ‘yoke is easy’ and His ‘burden is light.’ He, indeed, can bring rest to your soul!

Thomas Jefferson’s Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, states the grievances the colonists had with the mother country of England, similar to what Thomas Paine referred to in his pamphlet “Common Sense”. That declaration and grievances are comparable to present-day grievances that the Republicans have against the democratic party!

The Democratic Party of today, by and large, are responsible for God’s cursings upon America! The Lord has promised that we, as a nation, would never be brought into bondage if we “...*but serve the God of this land, who is Jesus Christ...*” (Ether 2:12). The shedding of innocent blood (Roe v Wade) through abortion is not serving Jesus

<sup>215</sup> Strauss, Lehman. “The Atonement of Christ.” Bible.org. 2 Jun. 2004. <<https://bible.org/article/atonement-christ>>.

<sup>216</sup> Richards, Kent F.. “The Atonement Covers All Pain.” Apr. 2011. <<https://www.lds.org/general-conference/2011/04/the-atonement-covers-all-pain?lang=eng>>. The Holy Bible (KJV): Luke 22:44; 1 Peter 4:1; Doctrine & Covenants 19:15-16.

Christ! Promoting homosexuality, same-sex marriage, fornication, drug use and the like is not serving Jesus Christ! Forcing people to pay taxes for abortion (Planned Parenthood) and forcing companies to fund abortion through their insurance (Obamacare) is not serving Jesus Christ! Promoting Biden's 'Open-Boarder' Policy is not serving Jesus Christ. Promoting the Repeal of our Second Amendment is NOT serving Jesus Christ. Promoting 'Defund the Police', Critical Race Theory, 'Wokeness', and the like are not serving Jesus Christ. In fact, the Democratic Party are calling 'evil good and good evil' and are 'taking away the righteousness of the righteous from him' by forcing them to pay for such corrupt anti-Christian legislation! They are, in essence, making us evil like themselves!

Christ pleads with the Democratic Party and testifies through His great prophet Isaiah: *"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool"* (Isaiah 1:18).

Take it from one whose sins were as red as scarlet and crimson and, now, are as white as snow and wool!

Today is a pivotal time in United States' history concerning religion and morality. Do we revert back to the basics of our Puritan and Founding Fathers heritage of being scrupulously strict in keeping the commandments of God, or do we profess Christianity 'in name only' as the Democratic Party so clearly does?

Make no mistake about it, the Lord loves the Democrats too! Christ is 'knocking on the door' to their hearts, incessantly, in hopes they'll open their doors and apply the Principle of Repentance so that He can demonstrate to them how so very much He loves them, also!

To the more righteous part of the people who want their posterity blessed with a more righteous government, I would counsel: *"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth, and to him that knocketh it shall be opened"* (Matthew

In the 2012 General Election, some 93 million eligible voters didn't vote!

We, the more righteous part of the people need not only to 'ask' our Heavenly Father to help us bring to pass a more righteous government, but also to 'seek' out our family and friends and encourage them to vote in 2024; and 'knock' on a few doors to encourage our neighbors to vote also!

If all of us would do these three simple things—ask, seek and knock—in each of our little realms of existence, our desires would come to pass!

All we need do is ask, seek and knock, in the name of Jesus Christ, amen.



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Thomas Jefferson's 'Declaration of Independence' of 1776 was a treatise of grievances against England, the mother country. Likewise, today, the Republican Party have grievances against the Democratic Party. The Democratic Party chooses not to recognize the Lord's warnings against the historic sins of immorality!

George Washington, the 'Father of our Country', in his farewell address to our nation, said: "...Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports..."

