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**OUR FUTURE DEPENDS ON HOW WE THINK, WHAT LAWS AND STATUES WE APPLY TO GOVERNMENT, AND WILL THEY CREATE A BETTER WAY FOR OUR FUTURE TO FOLLOW, AND HAVE THEY BEEN TESTED? YES, YES, AND YES!**

Recently several news organizations put out articles about how we should think, act, our knowledge level and background, etc. to teach our children, and plan our future government and social life. Who should run for public office? I think they were hoping for left leaning socialist, liberal ideas. Then make suggestions about someone you know who should run for office. They gave all the criteria, of course. Wow, that’s not much to take on, is it? Sounds like a God question: who created the Heavens, the Earth, and the Universe right?

My first thoughts were: I’m not touching that with a ten-foot pole in this mess we are in because we are too far gone! My ideas are old fashioned, seasoned, and from a spiritual perspective that are quite simple, but very complex in their nature to preserve, rule, and govern from a historical proven way that many of us have read about, believe it’s true meaning and purpose, experienced it, live by that law, we have survived, and live-in peace daily from a Biblical viewpoint. Old fashioned isn’t it; over two thousand years old.

I’m an old nobody, a speck of sand, and a lump of clay; “according to God, who created us from dirt. Gen 2:7.”

I’m not putting myself down, I know who I am. I am just stating the facts about how “you and I were created in His Image out of dirt.” God can use any lump of clay. Having said that; I will proceed with my thoughts about what has kept a lot of us, old, wise, quiet, and silent generations alive and well.

One news organization mentioned a book that was taught early in American Elementary Schools called “McGuffey Readers”. A simple book that taught children about reading, writing, arithmetic, the Bible and God, and how we should live, understand, grow, think, treat others, and be a standard and a law for life. I think that is a great idea. Long ago I had a copy, and it grew legs. I think we should pursue that avenue. I can just hear the noise of complaints from the left; you mean our life has come to this; that we should consider bringing back “McGuffey Readers” in school? Yes, yes, and yes!! “Eighty-five percent of eighth graders in some districts, according to a recent survey, cannot understand and complete general math problems”.

My second thoughts were generated from what I was reading in my daily scripture reading from Psalms 119 the other day. That is exactly what we should be thinking about and using in our discussion for our messed-up lives, schools, government, and businesses today! “The Government is on Jesus shoulders”.

It starts out in verse one: 1) “Blessed are they whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the Lord. 2) Blessed are they who keep His statues and seek him with all their heart. 3) They do nothing wrong; they walk in His ways. 4)You have laid down the precepts that are to be fully obeyed.

5) Oh, that my ways were steadfast in obeying your decrees! 6) Then I would not be put to shame when I consider all your commands. 7) I will praise you with an upright heart as I learn your righteous laws. 8) I will obey your decrees; do not utterly forsake me. 9) How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to you word. 10) I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. 11) I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. 12) Praise be to you, O LORD; teach me your decrees. 13) With my lips I recount all the laws that come from your mouth. 14) I rejoice in following your statues as one rejoices in great riches. 15) I meditate on your precepts and consider your ways. 16) I delight in your decrees; I will not neglect your word. 17) Do good to your servant, and I will live; I will obey your word. 18) Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law. Ps 119: 1-18.” and **read on…...19-176 NIV.”**

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 **Parable of the Ten Virgins**

**Are you ready? There were 5 wise, and 5 foolish virgins.**

**25 :** 1 “Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

**2**And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

**3**They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

**4**But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

**5While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.**

**6**And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

**7**Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps.

**8**And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

**9**But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

**10**And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

**11**Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

**12But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.**

**13Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.** Matt 25:1-13 KJV”

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The mystery revealed: It has always been a mystery to me about the Ten Virgins. Today as I was preparing this lesson it became very clear and apparent why five were taken and five remained behind.

**5**While the bridegroom tarried, **they all** slumbered and slept. [This stood out to me because they all appeared in the same group or condition]. But not so, because 5 wise virgins were prepared and ready, and the other 5 were not ready for the bridegroom ***because The Lord did not know them***. That takes away the mystery that has been in my mind since I first read this parable.

The 5 foolish were pretenders, fake, false, and not ready; because they did not know Jesus; end of the mystery in my mind.

Three warnings to be ready: 1) while the bridegroom tarried 2) be watchful 3) it didn’t matter that **they all** slept because we all need to sleep. **But the foolish (religious) were not prepared to meet Jesus because they did not know Him.**

**“They all slept**” gives a visual that all looked the same, alike, but not so for the 5 wise virgins; they were ready. It’s what and who is in our heart that makes the difference.

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**“For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son; that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16 KJV.”**

**“Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household. Acts 16:30, 31 KJV”**

**“For it is by Grace you are saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God-- not by works, so no one can boast. Eph 2:8,9 KJV”**

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 **God’s Baseball Team United**

Last night I had an amazing dream that defied imagination about a baseball game that I was watching. It was about Our Team, and they could not lose. The game was being played at a time when life was extremely difficult, poised, political, personal hopes and dreams, and answers to our prayers were a real struggle in our human existence and future in America.

As I began to watch the game, my thoughts and feelings went from ‘hopelessness’ to ‘this game is as good as over, why even play it, we know who wins’. My confidence began to rise as the game progressed, and I watched **Our Pitcher** pitch a perfect baseball game, perfect pitching, and every pitch was a strikeout. The intensity of watching **Our Pitcher** play this perfect game was so overwhelming that it transferred to me a great confidence; that our team was going to Win. We are winners, and **He is amazing**!

What amazed me the most was the confidence, veracity, and intensity of His Pitches; every pitch was dead on center with a burning impact and bang as the catcher buried each pitch in his glove! The Pitcher had no doubt, fear, or unbelief about each pitch going to be a perfect strike, and He needed no extra pitches; all through the game; three up and three down; just three pitches.

As I watched the baseball game, I felt more confident in my team, and I began to feel like a winner, and I could put my trust and faith in the Lord, **Our Pitcher**, **Champion**, and to believe for the impossible! It was very real and empowering, and it gave me an image in my mind that I will never forget who is in charge, and who is pitching for us, and we are all His winners!

I have been blogging about unity, favor, imagination, and believing God for faith, love, and unity to be One with the Father, and The Son, as Jesus prayed for us in John 17:21-22 NIV. It seems impossible, but Jesus prayed, **“That all of them (us) be one, Father, just as you are in me, and I am in you” .**

I believe God gave me this dream so you can see, feel, and believe with me to become like ‘He Is’ and become part of His Team united to serve Him. I also began to believe that the power to become One with the Father, and The Son described by Jesus is possible; and it must take place before His return.

I pray that God will reveal and burn in you the same image of His Power to become like him to see, feel, think, and become One with Jesus, and The Father, as you watch this baseball game be revealed to you, as well; **it’s amazing! To God be all the glory and the power!**

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 **IMAGINATION**

**Imag-i-Nation is the greatest Nation in the world. Unity and imagination are one of the most powerful mind tools and choices in our chest of creativity we can use to overcome our adversaries and difficulties. When the Tower of Babel was being built; what single thing besides language gave them the power and favor to build it? UNITY builds favor, single mindedness, and love.**

Gen 11:4-6 NIV) “Then they said, “come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, …. **5) But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower that they were building.** **6) The Lord said, “If as one people speaking the same language, they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them.”**

If we unite in our dream to love God and America; we can have God’s favor to believe and **let Him achieve it**. Having God’s favor is more than a choice and a belief; it is an action that we need to choose every day in prayer in our closets (private places). God cannot be manipulated by having a large group praying out loud. He sees all our hearts, our thoughts, minds, and actions. **When we have God’s favor as a Nation, we will all know it, and it will be manifested by God’s Glory!** And if you are doing God’s will; prove it by obeying Him in secret; he is not mocked or deceived.

Recently we saw a show and tell group of so-called preachers just like the Pharisees and Hypocrites who love to be acknowledged in the public places pray their loud and long prayers. **Matt 6:5-6 KJV.** The same rewards apply. Judge for yourselves. God’s principals apply here.

Recently I have been talking about favor and the importance of having God’s favor to succeed in all we do. Having God’s forgiveness, love, and favor is the single most important thing we can have and choose to possess. It starts with a choice to love God with all our heart, obey His commandment to love God, and love our neighbor as ourselves**. “If you love me, keep my commandments.” It starts with our mind (our head);** use it for something besides a hat rack or a set of trophy antlers!!! This applies to both genders.

We can have One Mind, One Spirit, to love and obey God, confess, and agree with God for the healing of America. This is The Principal Thing: we need to believe it, say it, prophesy it, aloud, to God, and ourselves in private prayer. With God we (1) are a majority, all things are possible. Let’s pray as One Nation of Believer’s under God that all things are possible; that we are One. Jesus prayed, **“That all of them be one, Father, just as you are in me, and I am in you. John 17:21-22 NIV.”**

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

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 **Solomon’s Wisdom from Proverbs for Today**

A wife of noble character is her husband’s crown, but a disgraceful wife is like decay in his bones. Prov. 12:4.

From the fruit of his lips a man is filled with good things as surely as the work of his hands rewards him. Prov. 12: 14.

A truthful witness gives honest testimony, but a false witness tells lies. Prov. 12: 17.

Reckless words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. Prov. 12:18.

Truthful lips endure forever, but a lying tongue lasts only a moment. Prov. 12:19.

A prudent man keeps his knowledge to himself, but the heart of fools blurts out folly. Prov. 12: 23.

An anxious heart weighs a man down, but a kind word cheers him up. Prov. 12:25.

A righteous man is cautious in friendship but the way of the wicked leads them astray. Prov. 12: 26.

In the way of righteousness there is life, along that path is immortality. Prov. 12:28.

From the fruit of his lips a man enjoys good things, but the unfaithful have a craving for violence. Prov. 13:2.

He who guards his lips guards his life, but he who speaks rashly will come to ruin. Prov. 13:3.

The light of the righteous shines brightly, but the lamp of the wicked is snuffed out. Prov 13:9.

Pride only breeds quarrels, but wisdom is found in those who take advice. Prov. 13:10.

He who scorns instruction will pay for it, but he who respects a command is rewarded. Prov. 13:13.

The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life, turning a man from the snares of death. Prov.13:14.

A wise woman builds her house, but with her own hands the foolish one tears hers down. Prov. 14: 1.

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Wine is a mocker and beer is a brawler; whoever is lead astray by them is not wise. Prov. 20;1.

It is to a man’s honor to avoid strife, but every fool is quick to quarrel. Prov. 20:3.

Many a man claims to have unfailing love, but a faithful man who can find? Prov. 20:6.

Who can say, “I have kept my heart pure; I am clean and without sin”? Prov 20:9.

A gossip betrays a confidence; so avoid a man who talks too much. Prov. 20: 19.

If a man curses his father or mother, his lamp will be snuffed out in pitch darkness. Prov.20: 20.

Do not say, “I’ll pay you back for this wrong!” Wait for the Lord, and he will deliver you. Prov. 20.22.

A man’s steps are directed by the Lord. How then can anyone understand his own way?

Prov.20:24.

The lamp of the Lord searches the spirit of a man; it searches out his inmost being. Prov.20:27.

**Love and faithfulness keep a King safe; through love his throne is made secure. Prov.20:28.**

The glory of young men is their strength, gray hair the splendor of the old. Prov. 20:29.

**Blows and wounds cleanse away evil, and beatings purge the inmost being. Prov.20:30.**

The King’s heart is in the hand of the Lord; he directs it like a watercourse wherever he pleases. Prov.21: 1.

All a man’s ways seem right to him, but the Lord weighs the heart. Prov. 21:2.

To do what is right and just is more acceptable than sacrifice. Prov.21:3.

When a mocker is punished, the simple gain wisdom; when a wise man is instructed, he gets knowledge. Prov. 21:11.

If a man shuts his ears to the cry of the poor, he too will cry out and not be heard. Prov.21:13.

Better to live in a desert than with a quarrelsome and ill-tempered wife. Prov. 21:19

He who pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity, and honor. Prov.21:21.

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 **PRAY GOD’S FAVOR ON AMERICA, ISREAL, AND UKRAINE**

**PRAY FOR GOD TO RAIN ON AMERICA & ISREAL WITH HIS FAVOR.**

**I PRAY, DECLARE AND AGREE FOR GOD’S FAVOR OVER AMERICA & ISREAL EVERYDAY UNTIL WE SEE HIS CHANGE. WE NEED GOD’S FAVOR TO MAKE AND SEE A DIFFERENCE IN AMERICA, ISREAL, AND UKRAINE.**

May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our h

**"Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!" Psalm 90:17**

[Genesis 6](https://www.bing.com/search?q=Genesis+6&&filters=sid%3a%22c2927de1-7e5e-4556-53f9-266697f38a1e%22+catguid%3a%22LCRQ_DF1DEB45A82249105F0A_d9effa5b-77d1-4249-88de-c475ceff89d4%22+segment%3a%22generic.carousel%22+eltypedim1%3a%22Book%22&FORM=LCHLRE):8 “But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.”

[Ephesians 1](https://www.bing.com/search?q=Ephesians+1&&filters=sid%3a%222dd8da03-0d3f-b572-3d23-6e66ffa35830%22+catguid%3a%22LCRQ_DF1DEB45A82249105F0A_d9effa5b-77d1-4249-88de-c475ceff89d4%22+segment%3a%22generic.carousel%22+eltypedim1%3a%22Book%22&FORM=LCHLRE):11 “In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined …

[Psalm 30](https://www.bing.com/search?q=Psalm+30&&filters=sid%3a%22ce0149b9-2f04-570e-52df-440def273d03%22+catguid%3a%22LCRQ_DF1DEB45A82249105F0A_d9effa5b-77d1-4249-88de-c475ceff89d4%22+segment%3a%22generic.carousel%22+eltypedim1%3a%22Book%22&FORM=LCHLRE):5 “For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime. …

***"For you bless the righteous, O Lord; you cover him with favor as with a shield." Psalm 5:12***

***"For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor; no good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly." Psalm 84:11***

***"... his favor lasts a lifetime! Weeping may last through the night, but joy comes with the morning." Psalm 30:5 ", “...By your favor you make us strong..." Psalm 89***

***“***[***For I know the plans I have for you***](https://www.biblestudytools.com/jeremiah/29-11.html)***,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”*** [**Jeremiah 29:11**](https://www.biblestudytools.com/jeremiah/29-11.html) **NIV.**

**Let us continue to focus on praying specifically as a Nation: I PRAY, DECLARE, AND AGREE FOR GOD’S UNMERITED, UNDESERVED, GRACE, FAVOR, FORGIVENESS, LOVE, AND MERCY ON AMERICA** **& ISREAL THROUGH HIS SON JESUS CHRIST! ALL PRAISE, GLORY, HONOR, AND POWER BELONG TO YOU JESUS! AMEN AND AMEN!**

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  **WHY WE NEED TO PRAY CONTINUALLY FOR GOD’S FAVOR ON AMERICA**

(All of us) have sinned and will continue to sin until we die because we are still human. “8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. I John 1: 8-10 KJV.”

Jesus Christ’s Grace alone is all we need to be worthy! Jesus said, “It is finished!” Revelations 5: 9, 10 KJV. Jesus alone is worthy! Only Jesus can give us His unmerited favor and right standing with him!

Recently a seasoned minister pushed back on the unmerited, undeserved favor prayer, and added **his prayer**, “God we need to be worthy of your favor in America!” Whoa, since when are we worthy of God’s unmerited, undeserved, grace, forgiveness, favor, mercy, love, and kindness….? These are all synonymous spiritual words, and we cannot merit or deserve any of them, but we can choose them.

Eph 2: 8, 9 “**For by (Jesus Christ’s, unmerited, undeserved) grace are you saved through faith**; **it is the gift of God**: **not of works, lest anyone should boast**. For **we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath (before ordained) that we should walk in them.” KJV**. All we can do is choose to believe, pray, accept, agree, submit and obey God’s **(before ordained)** plan.

There is no worthiness (of our own) we can claim as part of our relationship with Jesus. God already has a **(before ordained)** plan for America and only His unmerited, undeserved, grace, favor, mercy, love, and kindness will complete it. What part of **His Free Gift** did we deserve or earn; that we can boast? Not an ounce or molecule of our DNA!

It all comes from Jesus Christ’s own death on the cross, shedding His blood, being crucified, His burial, going to hell for us, and resurrecting from the grave, ascending to Heaven in victory, and sending us the Holy Spirit; that has made it possible. We do not have anything to do with it except to say; yes, Jesus, I believe, forgive my sins, I surrender all to you! No bragging rights and no earned rights!!

What part of God’s **(before ordained**) works is in our relationship that we can boast, and say we did it? He humbled and gave Himself for us! Now Jesus wants us to humble ourselves, receive His unmerited, undeserved, forgiveness, grace, favor, love, and kindness. We repent because of His **(before ordained)**, unmerited, undeserved, kindness, love, and forgiveness for us. Rom 2:4-16 NIV.

If we submit to God’s unmerited, undeserved, grace, favor, love, kindness and let (His works control) our heart, spirit, mind, and let Jesus change us, we will see the difference in us and in our America! Rom 2: 4.

Pray every day by faith, believe, be still, watch, and know that He is God, and not our works or politics that make the difference. Pray, humble ourselves, seek God, **and repent,** because of His unmerited, undeserved, grace, favor, goodness, kindness, love, and mercy. God is a good God!

Every day the sun comes up, His mercies are renewed, and we are alive and live in a free society, and Country in America! Praise God He is able to deliver us and give us a far better life and nation than we had ever hoped for through His grace, forgiveness, favor, mercy, glory, riches, love, honor, and power. **It’s all about Jesus**, trust Him. He has already completed His (**before ordained works)** grace for a New America, a New World is coming! The New Millennium is in front of us, Jesus is Lord over America and all the Earth. He is coming back with His Church to start a New Millennium and he will rule the nations with a Rod of Iron, and with His Grace, goodness, kindness, favor, mercy, love, and forgiveness. His Grace never goes away to those who fear, love, obey, and trust God.

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 **BE IN THE CENTER OF GOD’S WILL EVERY DAY**

**“16 Rejoice always, 17) pray continually, 18) give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus (daily). 19 Do not quench the Spirit. 20 Do not treat prophecies with contempt 21 but test them all; hold on to what is good. 22 Reject every kind of evil. 23 May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. I Thess. 5: 16-23 NIV.”**

**“16) Rejoice evermore. 17) Pray without ceasing, 18) In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you (daily). 19) Quench not the Spirit. 21) Prove (confirm) all things; hold fast that which is good. 22) Abstain from all appearances of evil. 23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. I Thess. 5: 16-23 KJV.”**

Being in the center of God’s will is not complicated. God’s people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Paul’s message to the Thessalonians is about the Day of the Lord and how to know that day. We are in that time frame period, I believe.

Paul is saying to focus on the things that matter to keep a live viable relationship with Jesus Christ each new day, filled with the Holy Spirit, and this is how to do it. Many people worry about and spend endless time and energy trying to figure out God’s will. **Paul says do these things and you will be in the center of God’s will each day**. “This is the day the Lord has made. I will rejoice and be glad in it.”

1) Rejoice always 2) pray continually 3) Give thanks in and for everything; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus. 4) Obey God, and do not quench the Holy Spirit’s power to prove God’s will each day by His grace by giving thanks. 5) Abstain from all appearances of evil. Don’t offend others by a false or negative impression. 6) Hold fast to that which is good and right. 7) And the God of peace will sanctify your whole spirit, soul, and body, and preserve you blameless until Jesus Christ returns. Wow, that covers everything in our life from a-z. Amen!

**Praising God in and for everything releases our faith to let God prove His will in our circumstances each day.** Trusting God by faith gives us His success, love, and it puts our problems on His shoulder. We have no need to worry; now we can rest; enjoy the day, enjoy our family, enjoy our job; enjoy our life; while God is working out everything for our good according to His good, acceptable, perfect will, and purpose. It deals with our anger, frustrations, fear, bitterness, impatience, misunderstandings, and allows God to make it a learning experience for His Glory. “Let Patience have her perfect work, that you may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. Jas 1:4” KJ **PRINT AND SHARE IT!**

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 **WALKING IN THE LIGHT, AS HE IS IN THE LIGHT**

**5 “This then is the message which we have heard of him,** **and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.**

**6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:**

**7 but if we walk in the light, as He is in the light**, **we have fellowship one with another**, **and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin**. (The Holy Spirit manifests His Truth\*.)

**8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.** (We will sin every day until we die because we are human, and we must confess them daily to Jesus to be cleansed by His blood. We are saved but we need cleansing daily\*.)

**9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

**10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.”**

I John 1: 5-10 KJV. (We are lying and deceiving ourselves because we have unconfessed sin\*.)

**“The blood of Jesus Christ cleanses us as we fellowship with God, and one another. Vs 7”**

**“For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.” Matt. 18:20.** God’s Word is renewing us as we share his Word, communicate, fellowship, praise, worship, as much as is possible, as we love one another **by faith in his message.** **We believe it and receive God’s healing, blessing. and power.** We cannot see it, but we can feel it working in our heart, spirit, soul, mind, and body. It is equally or more important to worship Jesus daily at home first in our personal life.

\* To better understand the scriptures.

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**Steps to Learn, Grow, Maintain, and Encourage Yourself by Faith and Love**

Knowing who I am in Christ enables me to be consistent in my daily faith walk with God. I write down on paper scriptures that God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit say that I am; in agreement with God’s Word every morning. It strengthens, feeds, and boosts my spirit to have a wonderful day, and to walk by Faith, and “love God, myself, and others, as Jesus has loved us.” John 13:34, 35.

When we plan to go on a long Journey: 1) we need to know where we are going, 2) and have a road map (Bible) to get there, 3) take along your tools to fight the enemy, 4) and a destination address (Heaven). We are on a journey that will end in Heaven; if you do not give up and lose faith! Here are some tools that you need to take along with you on your journey!

1) The Blood of Jesus, 2) Faith, 3) Grace, 4) Forgiveness, 5) Love, 6) The Holy Spirit, 7) Humility, 8) The Fruits of the Holy Spirit, 9) Perseverance, 10) Mercy.

Look for Jesus; do not be taken by surprise! He is coming soon to gather all His saints who believed in Him.

**Plead for God’s mercy, ask Jesus to come into your heart, forgive your sins, repent, obey God, and love Him with all your heart.** Do it now, do not wait, you don’t need organ music to play for you, do it right now wherever you are reading this, it is that urgent! Thank Jesus for saving you, and filling you with the Holy Spirit, after you have invited Jesus into your heart and made Jesus The Lord of your life.

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**I agree with God by Faith that I am who Jesus says I Am.**

“I am as You Are, in Christ Jesus.” I John 4:17 KJV.

“I am forgiven and loved by God” John 3:16, I John 1:9.

“I am washed in the blood of Jesus Christ” John 3:16.

“I am anointed by God’s love” John 13: 34.

“I have the mind and memory of Christ Jesus” I Cor 2:16 KJV.

“I am a masterpiece. Eph 2:10” I am an original. I am not mediocre. I am beautiful and smart.

“I am a new creation in Christ Jesus, created in His Image” 2 Cor 5:17 KJV.

“I am the righteousness of God, in Christ Jesus” 2 Cor 5:21 KJV.

“I am fearfully and wonderfully made” Ps 139:14 KJV.

“I am Royalty, a King, a Son, a Queen, a Daughter” I John 2:28, 29 KJV.

I am excellent in every way, I am not average, I am amazing, I am talented.

I am healthy, whole, and I have the body and skin of my youth. Prov 4: 21.

**“The best days of my life are ahead of me. John 3:16”**

I am strong, courageous “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me” Phil 4:13 KJV.

“With God all things are possible for me” Mt 19:21, Mk 10:27, Job 42:2 KJV.

**“It is not I, but Christ in me... Not by might, or by power, but by my Spirit says, The Lord.”**

“When I am weak, then I am strong” 2 Cor 12:10, “The joy of the Lord is my strength” Neh. 8:10.

“My strength is made perfect in weakness” 2 Cor 12: 9, “The joy of the Lord is my strength.”

“The blessing of the Lord makes me Rich, and He adds no sorrow with it.” Prov 10:22 KJV.

**“I love God because He first loved me. I John 4:19” KJV.**

“I Love the Lord with all my heart, soul, mind, strength, and my neighbor as myself.” Mark 12:30.

“I love God and others as Jesus has loved me. John 13: 34.”

I love God perfectly and He casts out all fear. “God’s perfect love casts out all fear” I John 4:18.

“How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, good tidings, salvation, and who say to **Zion “Your God Reigns!”** Isa 52: 7”.

I am fully favored of God. “I will live a long and satisfied life-Ps 91:16”, I am full of God’s wisdom,

I am secure, prosperous, accepted, valuable, equipped, “I am free-John 8:36 KJV”, “I am healed by Jesus stripes- Isa 53:4-5, I Pet 2:24 KJV”, “I am a child of the Most High God-Ps 82:6, Gal 3:26-29 KJV.”

“Jesus makes all things new. Rev 21:5”, “My youth is being renewed like an eagle. Ps 103:5.”

**(search the scriptures and fill in unreferenced lines to help you grow)**

“Those who wait upon the Lord, shall renew their strength, they (I) shall mount up with wings like eagles, they (I) shall run and not be weary, they (I) shall walk and not faint. Isa 40:31. KJV”

“I give thanks in and for everything, for this is God’s will for me in Christ Jesus today. I Thess 5:18”.

**“Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem: they will prosper who love Thee. Ps. 122:6”.**

“For it is by grace you are saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so no one can boast. Eph 2: 8-9 KJV.”

**“I call things that are not as though they were/are. Rom 4:17 KJV”**

“And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life. Matt 19: 29 NIV”

Celebrate daily who we are in Christ Jesus and rise to become God’s Sons and Daughters**.**

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**Loving and Forgiving Myself Daily as Jesus has Loved and Forgiven Me**

A daily routine of forgiveness to cleanse and wash myself in the blood of Jesus; is like spiritual breathing and taking a shower; it becomes habit, routine, and automatic in my mind, conscience, and spirit. I can’t take a shower that will last for a lifetime; if I don’t shower every day I will stink. When I asked Jesus to come into my heart and forgive my sins; He did; but I still sin daily because I am human and imperfect. I settle my accounts every day; my sins (dirt, bad behavior, and habits, etc) daily at bedtime; by confessing my sins and washing myself in the blood of Jesus. (“He died for our sins not our excuses; if we will call sin; anything less than God’s best.” \*). Jesus will forgive and cleanse us as He promised. We are not talking about salvation here; we are talking about practicing good principles; virtue, being wise, positive, responsible, clean, a good soldier, attractive, beautiful, lovely, healthy, and excellent saints that glorify God. \*The Calvary Road by Roy Hession. **Jesus, The only Mediator between God and Man.**

**I Tim 2:5,** **John 14:6, 16-17.**

**“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from (All unrighteousness). I John 1:9.”**

Jesus said on the cross **“It is finished”** our Salvation. “He has cast our sins into the depth of the sea and will remember them no more.” So why are you still remembering your sins? Praise God for His forgiveness, forgive yourself, others, and keep on moving. The day is over! Jesus is Worthy! Start a new day tomorrow!! REST**!**

**“God gives his beloved sleep.” Live guilt free.**

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**A Daily Prayer for Forgiveness and Reconciliation**

Father, I ask forgiveness for all the sins I have committed today in my heart, mind, soul, spirit, and body; both spiritually and physically; in my thoughts, deeds, actions, inactions, and attitudes.

Jesus, I confess my sins, and I ask your forgiveness. Freely as you have forgiven me; I freely also forgive myself, and all those who have sinned against me today.

Thank you for washing me and cleansing me in Your Blood and making me clean in Jesus name. You are giving yourself, and others, a bath in the love of God, purifying yourself, and keeping short accounts with God; this is healthy. “If we do not forgive others; neither can God forgive us. Matt. 6:14,15.”

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**If it sounds over simplified; it is the simplicity that trips up people. “My yoke is easy my burden is light.”** The more you practice forgiveness the easier it becomes; until it becomes habit, it is a way of life, do it every day.

**Do you want to be saved?** “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved.” It is not difficult; it is easy, get started; call on Jesus today. The thief on the cross said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” And Jesus replied, “I assure you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” That is confirmation of Christ’s forgiveness and its simplicity. This is the gospel JOHN 3:16.

How do you eat an elephant? One bite at a time. It is God’s command to forgive 490 times; if needed. Forgiveness works for you intentionally, internally, and it releases God’s love in you, and brings inner peace, healing, and blessing. It gets down to the roots and absolves the problems. When do you know you have forgiven, or been forgiven completely? When God’s peace has taken away the pain and negative memories. Put your trust and faith in Christ’s worthiness and promises alone. “**He is our only Mediator and Advocate between God and Man.**

**I Tim 2:5.”**

**This is the fight for your life, in Christ Jesus daily. You are a new creation in Christ Jesus, and all old things are passed away and become new. God always loves you. John 3:16 Print and Share It**

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 **JESUS DIED FOR THE SINS OF THE WHOLE WORLD**

Jesus Our Advocate

“My dear children, I am writing these things to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, **we have an advocate before the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One**. He Himself is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, **and not only ours but also for the sins of the whole world**. By this we can be sure that we have come to know Him if we keep His commandments. The man who says, “I know him,” but does not do what He commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But if anyone obeys his word, **God’s love is truly made complete in him**. Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did.” I John 1-6 NIV

We must also forgive ourselves and others just as Jesus has forgiven us and agree with God that our sins have been forgiven, and our healing, righteousness, and forgiveness is complete.

Ask His forgiveness and accept it completely, the whole enchilada. Thank and praise Jesus daily!

“**If we confess our sins**, He is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and to **cleanse us from all** unrighteousness. I John 1:9 NIV

We serve a big Wonderful God; and He sent His Only Son Jesus to die on the Cross for our sins to provide an atonement for us by His blood **for all our sins,** **and the sins of the whole world**. Neglecting God’s forgiveness is a slap in His face, for all the sacrifices He made for us, if we ignore or reject it. That is big, and there is no one who has any excuse to not accept God’s forgiveness, salvation, redemption, and provision for their eternal life through Jesus Christ. God has the whole world in His hands. What a great God we have; He humbled Himself, became obedient to death on the cross and paid the penalty for our sins so we can have eternal life.

Open wide your mouth, heart, soul, mind, spirit, and your arms to welcome Jesus into your heart, and be filled with His Holy Spirit. He is waiting to come in and fellowship with you. He is all knowing, all loving, all forgiving, all wise, and all caring for us. “He will never leave us or forsake us”. He will always be with us forever and ever. Amen and Amen!

There will be billions and billions of people living and enjoying their new home in Heaven (Rev. 7:9-11 a multitude which no one could number); who believed in Jesus; and said these words, **“Yes Jesus, I believe by faith that you died for me, come into my heart, forgive my sins and save me, I repent, give me your eternal life**”. **Thank You Jesus!**

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 **“THE ANCIENT OF DAYS” IS COMING**

“The fool has said in his heart; there is no God”. America is a nation that was created and born with a constitution and laws from the Bible. “In God We Trust”.

“ONE NATION UNDER GOD INDIVISIBLE WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. America has been the leader of the free world and this last election has darkened and tipped the scales of freedom and justice toward the abyss of evil. Our election was not stolen; it was given away to corrupt, lying, and spineless leaders; by corrupt, hypocritical, and spineless leaders; because of greed, lack of unity, and understanding. You all like the money, power, and many of you do not know the basics of how to follow your leader to win. You all want to lead like children creating chaos with no maturity; has no one told you that you are not the President, and you must follow him, or chaos will follow. This is a snapshot of both sides as I see it!

I can tell you with certainty, especially with a lot of new freshman, millennials, and many opposing philosophies; that if you do not follow a structure and vote a unified ticket you are all wasting your time, our time, and money to serve; you need to pack up your bags and go home. You all need to make it a pre-requisite for all Senate and Congressional Representative’s to take a basic course and pass in **“How to follow your leader to successfully win legislation for your party.” The Basic Life Institute has been giving successful legislative government classes for many decades. You need their help. I can tell you from experience that it has shaped, brought wisdom, discipline, and understanding to my life. It could save your Party.**

Is it too late to turn back? **“GOD IS LOVE, HIS MERCIES ARE RENEWED EVERY DAY, AND HIS MERCY ENDURES FOREVER”.** God’s love is His greatest gift to us. **He sent His Only Son, Jesus, to save us from our sins.** He humbled Himself and became obedient to death on the cross. He was crucified and died a cruel and violent death on the cross. He went to hell and took away the keys of death and hell. He took captivity captive and gave gifts unto men and resurrected from the grave. That is the God I serve and believe in. Will God give us a pass and a mulligan to redeem us after we have so desperately failed and lost our way as a Nation?

“For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Jer. 29:11 NIV.”

II Chronicles 7:14 “**If my people, which are called by my name,** shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, ***and forgive their sins, and will heal their land.*** KJV.”

For those who have humbled themselves, confessed their sins, and received Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, and repented. “God’s mercies are renewed every day to those who believe and love Him.” However, I believe that the scales have been tipped toward God’s judgement; and the prophesies foretold to Daniel are on the way and **there is no turning back.**

Let us look in the Bible in Daniel 7 where the **“ANCIENT OF DAYS”** is mentioned three times, and the only time in the Bible. **It is a reason to fear God.**

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| **Daniel’s Dream of Four Beasts**[**1**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-1.htm)In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel had a dream, and visions passed through his mind as he was lying in bed. He wrote down the substance of his dream.[**2**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-2.htm)Daniel said: “In my vision at night I looked, and there before me were the four winds of heaven churning up the great sea. [**3**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-3.htm)Four great beasts, each different from the others, came up out of the sea.[**4**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-4.htm)“The first was like a lion, and it had the wings of an eagle. I watched until its wings were torn off and it was lifted from the ground so that it stood on two feet like a human being, and the mind of a human was given to it.[**5**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-5.htm)“And there before me was a second beast, which looked like a bear. It was raised up on one of its sides, and it had three ribs in its mouth between its teeth. It was told, ‘Get up and eat your fill of flesh!’[**6**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-6.htm)“After that, I looked, and there before me was another beast, one that looked like a leopard. And on its back it had four wings like those of a bird. This beast had four heads, and it was given authority to rule.[**7**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-7.htm)“After that, in my vision at night I looked, and there before me was a fourth beast—terrifying and frightening and very powerful. It had large iron teeth; it crushed and devoured its victims and trampled underfoot whatever was left. It was different from all the former beasts, and it had ten horns.[**8**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-8.htm)“While I was thinking about the horns, there before me was another horn, a little one, which came up among them; and three of the first horns were uprooted before it. This horn had eyes like the eyes of a human being and a mouth that spoke boastfully.[**9**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-9.htm)“As I looked,“thrones were set in place,and the Ancient of Days took his seat.His clothing was as white as snow;the hair of his head was white like wool.His throne was flaming with fire,and its wheels were all ablaze.[**10**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-10.htm)A river of fire was flowing,coming out from before him.Thousands upon thousands attended him;ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.The court was seated,and the books were opened.[**11**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-11.htm)“Then I continued to watch because of the boastful words the horn was speaking. I kept looking until the beast was slain and its body destroyed and thrown into the blazing fire. [**12**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-12.htm)(The other beasts had been stripped of their authority, but were allowed to live for a period of time.)[**13**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-13.htm)“In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, [***a***](https://biblehub.com/niv/daniel/7.htm#footnotes) coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. [**14**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-14.htm)He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.**The Interpretation of the Dream**[**15**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-15.htm)“I, Daniel, was troubled in spirit, and the visions that passed through my mind disturbed me. [**16**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-16.htm)I approached one of those standing there and asked him the meaning of all this.“So he told me and gave me the interpretation of these things: [**17**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-17.htm)‘The four great beasts are four kings that will rise from the earth. [**18**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-18.htm)But the holy people of the Most High will receive the kingdom and will possess it forever—yes, for ever and ever.’[**19**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-19.htm)“Then I wanted to know the meaning of the fourth beast, which was different from all the others and most terrifying, with its iron teeth and bronze claws—the beast that crushed and devoured its victims and trampled underfoot whatever was left. 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After them another king will arise, different from the earlier ones; he will subdue three kings. [**25**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-25.htm)He will speak against the Most High and oppress his holy people and try to change the set times and the laws. The holy people will be delivered into his hands for a time, times and half a time. [***b***](https://biblehub.com/niv/daniel/7.htm#footnotes) [**26**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-26.htm)“ ‘But the court will sit, and his power will be taken away and completely destroyed forever. [**27**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-27.htm)Then the sovereignty, power and greatness of all the kingdoms under heaven will be handed over to the holy people of the Most High. His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all rulers will worship and obey him.’[**28**](http://biblehub.com/daniel/7-28.htm)“**This is the end of the matter**. I, Daniel, was deeply troubled by my thoughts, and my face turned pale, but I kept the matter to myself.” NIV Biblehub.com. |

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What is God going to do in America? I know that our God is Savior, Lord, King, and Ruler, over Heaven, Earth, America, the World, and the Universe! What the Bible has prophesied, and forecast will come to pass sometime in the future. It may be now, soon, or it may be many years away, but I believe it will be soon.

The battle is the Lords, He is God, and creator of the Universe. He rules and reigns in all matters of life, and He is not shaken. He is The God of all living things. He feeds the birds and knows when every sparrow falls. He has numbered every hair on our head and knows when every hair falls.

The only one who knows the future is God in Heaven. We are just clay in The Potter’s hands. God wrote all about it in the Bible and He is in control. He loves us and has made provision for our daily sustenance (manna from Heaven), and He will supply all our needs according to His riches in glory through Christ Jesus.

He is The Alpha and The Omega, The Beginning and The End, The First and The Last, The Bright and Morning Star, He is the Fairest of Ten Thousand, The Lilly of The Valley, He is The Savior of The World, He is The Creator of The Universe. He is The Ancient of Days. King of All Kings, He is Lord of All Lords, The Most-High God.

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