

Forgetting God

By Ron Boatwright

The blessings we have enjoyed in the United States have come from God because this country was originally founded on Christian principles. God's word says, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord" (Psalms 33:12). We have enjoyed freedoms and blessings that have been the envy of the world. The United States at one time was called a "Christian" nation, but it can no longer be called such. At one time the Bible and prayer was allowed in public schools, but this is no longer the case.

In the past God told the nation of Israel, "Because you have forgotten Me and cast Me behind your back, therefore you shall bear the penalty" (Ezekiel 23:35). We in this country will also bear the penalty if we continue as we are doing. What happened on September 11, 2001 should have been a wake up call for this country, but it wasn't. We in this country continue going down the path of self destruction.

The U. S. Congress during the year 2007 AD was working on a bill in one of the subcommittees that would make it a criminal offense to teach anything against the sin of homosexuality. The law didn't make it out of subcommittee. If it ever does become law, it would be a criminal offense to teach in a Bible class or from the pulpit what the Bible says about Sodom and Gomorrah in Genesis chapter 19. It would be a criminal offense to teach what God's word says in Romans 1:27-28, "Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind". America today does not want to retain God in their knowledge. If this bill were to become law it would be a criminal offense to teach what God's word says in 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 that neither "homosexuals, nor sodomites" would go to Heaven. It may be later than we think.

But the Bible says, "The wicked shall be turned into Hell, and all the nations that forget God" (Psalms 9:17). The United States is quickly forgetting God and will cease to be blessed as we have in the past. This country is quickly becoming a "God-less" nation. If we in the United States want the blessings of God to continue we must repent and return back to God.

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Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."

Sunday Worship:

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

Wednesday Night

7:pm

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The Convention

Satan called a worldwide convention. In his opening address to his evil angels, he said, "We can't keep the Christians from going to church. We can't keep them from reading their Bibles & knowing the truth.

We can't even keep them from conservative values. But we can do something else. We can keep them from forming an intimate, abiding relationship experience in Christ. If they gain that connection with Jesus, our power over them is broken.

So let them go to church, let them have their conservative lifestyles, but steal their time, so they can't gain that experience in Jesus Christ. This is what I want you to do, Angels. Distract them from gaining hold of their Savior & maintaining that vital connection throughout their day!"

"How shall we do this,?" shouted his angels. "Keep them busy in the non-essentials of life & invent un-numbered schemes to occupy their minds," he answered. "Tempt them to spend, spend, spend, then, borrow, borrow, borrow. Convince the wives to go to work for long hours & the husbands to work 6 or 7 days a week, 10-12 hrs. a day, so they can afford their lifestyles. Keep them from spending time with their children. As their family fragments, soon, their homes will offer no escape from the pressures of work."

"Over stimulate their minds so that they cannot hear that still small voice. Entice them to play the radio or cassette player whenever they drive, to keep the TV, VCR, CDs and their PCs going constantly in their homes. And see to it that every store & restaurant in the world plays non-biblical music constantly. This will jam their minds & break that union with Christ."

"Fill their coffee tables with magazines & newspapers. Pound their minds with the news 24 hrs. a day. Invade their driving moments with billboards. Flood their mailboxes with junk mail, sweepstakes, mail order catalogues, & every kind of newsletter & promotional offering, free products, services, & false hopes."

"Even in their recreation, let them be excessive. Have them return from their recreation exhausted, disquieted & unprepared for the coming week.

Don't let them go out in nature to reflect on God's wonders. Send them to amusement parks, sporting events, concerts & movies instead.

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Those to Serve

(B) Calvin Burks (FV) Jack Wall

(O) Doug Prueett (A) Kyle Stifflemire

1st prayer Mike Mallett 2nd prayer Jeffrey Burks

Announcements: Keith Stifflemire Singing: Judd Wall

Prayer List: Naomi Wall , Mildred Lovell , Lloyd Crownover, Ruby Jones, Pray for our nation, our Troops and Law Enforcement

Dates to Remember

October 10th

Columbus Day

October 17th

National Boss Day

October 30th

Noon Fellowship

November 6th

Mission Fund



To

Judd Wall October 10th

Kyle Stifflemire October 21st

Mike Mallett October 21st

Ruby Jones October 24th

The Convention

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And when they meet for spiritual fellowship, involve them in gossip & small talk so that they leave with troubled consciences & unsettled emotion.

"Let them be involved in soul-winning. But crowd their lives with so many good causes they have no time to seek power from Christ. Soon they will be working in their own strength, sacrificing their health & family unity for the good of the cause."

It was quite a convention in the end. And the evil angels went eagerly to their assignments causing Christians everywhere to get busy, busy, busy & rush here & there.

Has the devil been successful at his scheme? You be the judge.