

America, Let's Go Back Deuteronomy 28:1-14

INTRO: The words written to the nation of Israel in Deuteronomy 28 are certainly applicable to us in these United States. If we do what is right, God will bless us; if we do wrong and pursue evil, He, the Sovereign of the Universe, will destroy us (vss 15-24).

The very fabric of our nation is being torn to shreds by liberals who do not believe in God nor His blessed Word. They call evil good and good evil as Isaiah predicted they would.

It is time for America to go back to the principles laid down by the founders of our nation. It is time for us to re-establish the rule of Christianity in America.

America, let's go back to our roots. Let's stop listening to the liars and get the nation back to where we came from, back to the Blessed Old Book, the Bible and back to belief in Jehovah God. If we do not do this soon, America is doomed and will be destroyed. It will perish (Isa 60:12, "The nation and the kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish.").

I. THE CHARTER OF RHODE ISLAND AND CHRISTIANITY

- A. Granted by Charles II, in 1682-83, and which continued to be the Constitution of that Commonwealth till 1843.
- B. It states: *The object of the colonists is to pursue, with peace and loyal minds, their sober, serious, and religious intentions of godly edifying themselves and one another in the holy Christian faith and worship, together with the gaining over and conversion of the poor ignorant Indian natives to the sincere profession and obedience of the same faith and worship.*

II. STATE CONSTITUTIONS ILLUSTRATE A NATION FOUNDED ON THE TRUE GOD

- A. The Constitution of Georgia was adopted in 1777 and says: "We the people of Georgia, relying upon protection and guidance of Almighty God, do ordain and establish this constitution." The Georgia Constitution also declares that, "all members of the legislature shall be of the Protestant religion" (I. E. Christianity).
- B. The Vermont Constitution speaks concerning the need to set aside the Lord's day for worship: "Every sect or denomination of Christians ought to observe the Sabbath or Lord's Day, and keep up some sort of religious worship, which to them shall seem most

agreeable to the revealed will of God.”

- C. The New Hampshire Constitution formed in 1776 says plainly: “That morality and piety, rightly grounded on evangelical principles, would give the best and greatest security to government, and would lay in the hearts of men the strongest obligation to due subjection; and that the knowledge of these was most likely to be propagated by the institution of the public worship of the Deity and instruction in morality and religion.”
- D. Maryland also formed their constitution in 1776: “That as it is the duty of every man to worship God in such manners as he thinks most acceptable to him, all persons professing the Christian religion are equally entitled to protection in their religious liberty.... That no other qualification ought to be required on admission to any office of trust or profit than such oath of support and fidelity to this State, and such oath of office, as shall be directed by this Constitution or the Legislature of this State, *and a declaration of belief in the Christian religion.*”
- E. The Constitution of Pennsylvania adopted in 1776, declares that the Legislature shall consist of “persons most noted for wisdom and virtue,” and that every member should subscribe the following declaration: “I do believe in one God, the Creator and Governor of the universe, the Rewarder of the good, and the Punisher of the wicked; and I acknowledge the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be given by inspiration.”
- F. The Constitution of North Carolina with the date 1776 says: “That no person who should deny the being of a God, or the truth of the Protestant religion, or the divine authority of either the Old or New Testaments, or who should hold religious principles incompatible with the freedom and safety of the State, should be capable of holding any office or place of trust in the civil government of this State.
- G. Delaware adopted its first constitution during the Revolution. In its constitution a strong declaration concerning Christianity was made: “That every citizen who should be chosen a member of either house of the Legislature, or appointed to any other office, should be required to subscribe to the following declaration— ‘I do profess faith in God the Father, and in the Lord Jesus Christ his only Son, and in the Holy Ghost, one God and blessed for evermore; and I do acknowledge the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be given by divine inspiration.’”

- H. The Mississippi Constitution of 1890 opens with this Preamble: “We, the people of Mississippi in convention assembled, grateful to Almighty God, and invoking his blessing on our work, do ordain and establish this constitution.”
 - I. The doctrine of Christianity and belief in Jehovah God is found in all state constitutions.
- III. FRANKLIN’S DECLARATION THAT THE US CONSTITUTION WAS FORMED UNDER THE DIRECTION OF GOD– “I am not to be understood to infer that our General Convention was divinely inspired when it formed the new Federal Constitution; yet I must own that I have so much faith in the general government of the world by Providence, that I can hardly conceive a transaction of so much importance to the welfare of millions now in existence, and to exist in the posterity of a great nation, should be suffered to pass without being in some degree influenced, guided, and governed by that omnipotent and beneficent Rule in whom all inferior spirits live, and move, and have their being.”
- IV. WASHINGTON’S VIEW OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE AND THE US CONSTITUTION– “We may with a kind of pious and grateful exultation,” writes Washington to Governor Trumbell, of Connecticut, July 20, 1788, “trace the finger of Providence through those dark and mysterious events which first induced the States to appoint a general convention, and then led them one after another, by such steps as were best calculated to effect the object, into an adoption of the system recommended by the general convention, thereby, in all human probability, laying a lasting foundation for tranquillity and happiness, when we had too much reason to fear that confusion and misery were coming upon us.”

CONCLUSION: Our founding Father’s and those who followed them believed that we, as a nation, needed God and His Word, the Gospel. “All societies of men,” says Winthrop, a member of Congress, and Speaker of the House of Representatives in 1848, “must be governed in some way or other. The less they may have of stringent state government, the more they must have of individual self-government. The less they rely on public law or physical force, the more they must rely on private moral restraint. Men, in a word, must necessarily be controlled, either by a power within them or by a power without them; either by the word of God or by the strong arm of man; either by the

Bible or by the bayonet. It may do for other countries and other governments to talk about the state supporting religion: here, under our free institutions, it is religion which must support the state.”