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BIBLE TRUMPET



“And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause?” (I Samuel 17:29)

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A Nation Lost in Darkness

America was ordained by God to be a Christian nation in the propagating of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. God’s presence, power, and protection overshadowed our country during its birth, and for many decades after that as long as we as a nation honored the Lord.

On the way to Fort Duquesne on July 9, 1755, George Washington was with British General Braddock and his army when the French and Indians attacked them. The British forces were destroyed in the battle and General Braddock was killed. After the battle, Washington wrote to his brother John, “By the all-powerful dispensation of Providence, I have been protected beyond all human probability and expectation; for I had four bullets through my coat, and two horses shot under me, yet escaped unhurt, although death was leveling my companions on every side of me!”

God’s hand of protection was definitely on our forth-coming nation and first president, George Washington.

A godly, moral code was established early in our country. On March 10, 1778, as recorded in *The Writings of George Washington* and published by the US Government Printing Office in 1934, the following incident took place. A general court martial took place for a soldier who was tried for committing sodomy. He was tried and ordered expelled from the army in total disgrace. General Washington approved the sentence with an “abhorrence and detestation of such infamous crimes.” Now our nation allows sodomites to run loose with their wicked and depraved activities in the military. Our US Supreme Court has shamed our country by legalizing the very act of sodomy.

Patrick Allison, Chaplain of the Continental Congress, brought a request to the Congress to purchase Bibles for the people because of the shortage of Bibles in America. Congress responded on September 11, 1777 and authorized the purchase of 20,000 Bibles to be distributed to the people throughout the country. The US Supreme Court struck again in the 1960s and purged our public schools from teaching, reading, or having Bibles in the classrooms.

In the early America and for many years, our country honored motherhood and child-bearing. Since the 1973 *Roe vs. Wade*, the US Supreme Court decided to make baby killing legal, and over 65,000,000 babies have been butchered in their mothers’ wombs. Adolf Hitler, if he were alive today, sad to say, would be proud of America!

As born-again believers, we live in a dark and bloody land. **The only hope for America is the word of God. We cannot be friends with evil, but we must confront it at every opportunity.**

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WITH CHRIST IN HEAVENLY PLACES

“Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ:” (Ephesians 1:3)

“Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*,” (Ephesians 1:20)

The redeemed are in Christ and Christ is in the redeemed. The Bible has much to say concerning this and makes it clear and plain that we are in Christ (ex. John 14:20; 15:1-5; Romans 12:5; etc.). Take special note of our two verses above. These, as well as Ephesians 2:6, tell us of our Saviour being in “heavenly places”. We know that our Lord Jesus Christ now sits at the right hand of the Father (Ephesians 1:20). He sits there, interceding on our behalf as our Mediator, Advocate, High Priest, etc. (Romans 8:34). (This is part of the “spiritual blessings” mentioned in v. 3). Since Christ is in us and we are in Christ, and Christ is clearly stated as being in “heavenly places” (i.e., Heaven), where does that leave us? Think about it--because we are in Christ and our Lord is in heaven, that means spiritually speaking we are already in heaven. We are in the throne room itself!

O that we born-again believers could get this truth so grounded and rooted in our minds and hearts! What a difference it would make in our thought life, attitude, work, and walk. How much more of the fear of the Lord and resistance to temptation we could gain if we would remember this truth: we are in Christ and through Him in the throne room in God’s presence at all times (Hebrews 4:15, 16). O dear reader, remember He is always with you and you are always with Him (Hebrews 13:5).

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Is Concluding God Acted Scientific?

Evolutionists will say it is not scientific to conclude that God acted, claiming that science only considers natural causes or that God acting cannot be falsified. But excluding God as a possible explanation is unscientific by dismissing a possible explanation before looking at the data. Jumping to “God did it” when you do not understand something is not being scientific. There are at least two cases where concluding God acted fits scientific principles.

Concluding God acted is the result of looking at the data, and because it has to be God, not because you can't explain it, but because the explanation based on known laws of nature can only be God. It can be shown that life from nonlife is thermodynamically impossible, but that intelligence can do the job and that intelligence can only be God. A falsifiable theory that assumes God acted and then follows what happens simply has God as a starting assumption. Accelerated nuclear decay assumes God increased decay rates and the consequences for the rocks was studied resulting in a young Earth prediction that later shows to be correct.

These cases don't preclude God acting in more subtle ways such as acting behind the laws of nature. These two cases of God's actions are more overt and show definite consequences beyond what we can expect from the normal workings of the universe. These are cases where the evidence just screams “God did it!”

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