The United States Of America
Land Of The Free-Home Of The Brave

1. For hundreds of years, the United States of America, has had a reputation, for being the land of the free, and the home of the brave. But what does this really mean? What are the citizens of this country free from? From enemies who might wish to overthrow our government, and put us back under slavery once again? What are we really free from? The United States of America, needs to realize, that we are under more bondage, than at any other time in history. We are at a point in time, when our nation is being severely attacked. Not by enemy forces which we can easily recognize, but by enemy forces which most people do not even know exist. We are under attack by the forces of Hell. Every demon spirit which Satan has in his army, is attacking from one coast, to the other. And it looks as though they are winning the battle. It’s time to wake up! The U.S.A. is under attack! The time has come for people to realize, who their enemy really is. It’s not your brother, your sister, or your next door neighbor. We are in a spiritual war; and we are not going to win the war, with fighter planes, machine guns, tanks, and hand grenades. A spiritual war, can only be won with spiritual weapons.

2. What does it mean to be free? From our American dictionary, we get the following description: Having personal liberty; including civil, political, and religious liberty; not being controlled by a foreign power; not being controlled by restrictions or regulations of another (power, person, etc.). From the Greek language, we have the following words: eleutheros (el-yoo-ther-os): unrestrained or unslaved; and eleutheroo (el-yoo-ther-o-o): to liberate.

3. What does it mean to be brave? The American dictionary tells us: Having or showing courage.

4. The United States has what we call, a “Declaration of Independence;” which is a document that our ancestors developed; declaring our freedom as a nation. From what or from who, did they declare our freedom? From all other dominating nations, and from all future enemies; foreign and domestic.

5. The United States has a slogan, or a statement, which is printed upon every coin, and upon every bill, in our monetary system. This slogan became
part of our monetary system, from the very beginning of the founding of our nation. That slogan is, “In God We Trust.” Why did our ancestors choose to make this slogan a part of our monetary system? Simply because our nation was founded upon the Word of God; because our ancestors knew that without God, our nation had no chance of survival. When our nation was founded, our citizens believed and trusted in God; for everything. When our government officials assembled together, every meeting was started with prayer. The officials didn’t dare attempt to make even a small decision, without first consulting God; and praying for Him to give them wisdom to make the right decision; to make the right move; to take the right step; to do what was without a doubt, in the best interest of our entire nation. Our homes used to be organized and operated by prayer. A father and mother used to believe in teaching their children how to pray; and in making sure that their children understood the need for it; in every situation which they may be faced with. They believed in teaching their children the Word of God; and in making sure that their children were in the house of God on Sunday. This slogan, “In God We Trust,” was at one time, a slogan of truth in this nation; a truth which our nation could be proud of. What does it really mean, to trust in God? From our American dictionary, the word trust, means to have confident reliance on the integrity, honesty, or justice of another. Are we truly, still trusting in God; in his integrity, his honesty, and his justice? Surely, a nation who places their trust in God, would not take the tremendous fall in morality, which can be seen, in the United States of America today. Let’s take a look at the situation, for just a moment. First of all, any nation which places their trust in Almighty God, will also make every effort, to see that the people of the nation stand upon his Holy Word; not just read it, but obey the Words thereof. The governmental leaders will see to it, that the laws which are passed in the nation, are in accordance with God’s Holy Word; and see to it that the laws are enforced and obeyed. The leaders will put forth every effort, to make certain that the nation considers the Holy Word of God, as the main foundation of the nation. Just how important is the Holy Word of God, to the United States of America today? Sadly to have to say, God’s Word is not very important to the people of the United States today. If people even have a Bible in their house today, it is usually found on a shelf; covered with dust; where it has been setting for months; or years. And what makes the horrible matter even worse, is the fact that the men and women who are supposed to be Christian leaders of this nation, never give a second thought to this horrible situation. We never hear them speak of praying to God for help anymore, or of going back
to the Word of God to find the answers which we need. We hear stories on our news broadcasts every day, where someone else has won another court trial; fighting to get the Word of God thrown out of a school; or prohibiting it from being read in a public place. Our schools are supposed to be places of education; and the government prohibits the greatest book ever written, the Holy Bible, from being carried through the doors. The United States of America claims to trust in God, yet the teachers will be fired if they dare to read God’s Word to the students, or to lead them in prayer. The government allowed students to take every kind of satanic trash into the schools, but will not allow a Christian student to read the Bible during their rest period, or study time. We make government officials place their hands upon the Bible, and make them say a long promise of honesty and truth, before entering into a governing position; and then we allow them to pass laws, which forbids us from reading God’s Word; and from praying to the God, which we claim that we trust in. How can a nation which trusts in God, pass laws which forbids its citizens from praying to Him? It doesn’t make a bit of sense. We probably have more churches in America, than in any other country on the earth. Yet we probably have a higher crime rate, than any nation on the earth also. Every place you turn, you find a church of a different denomination. Even the Christians of this nation, can’t even agree on how to worship God. How must this look, to the other nations of the world; who have for centuries, looked to the United States of America, for moral and spiritual encouragement and leadership? What nation would ever want to follow the example, that this country, the U.S.A., has set for them in the past few decades? We are supposed to be setting an example of a Godly nation.

May God have mercy upon us; for somewhere, we have left Him behind. We evidently, as a nation, have forgotten all about God.

6. What is some of the evidence, that the U.S.A. has forgotten about God? America stands more guilty before God, than at any other time in history. Guilty of what?

A. Abortion. Medical science has proven, that once a female conceives in the womb, and a new seed is produced, that the seed becomes an actual living being within weeks; even though it may remain in the womb for months. It still is an actual living being, from near the beginning of the conception. Yet the people in the United States, see absolutely nothing wrong with deliberately putting a stop, to the life of this living being. They never give it a thought, that they are prohibiting it from ever having a chance to fulfill the life which God has planned for it. We call this practice abortion, but in the eyes of God, it is nothing less than deliberate murder. The government of
this land, which is supposed to be trusting in God, sees nothing wrong with passing laws, which make it perfectly legal, to perform such acts as abortion. It is only an escape for the people who have turned their lives over to Satan; committing fornication and adultery, and then calling it love. The involved parties do not want to bother with the trouble, or to take the responsibility, of raising the precious babies which they have produced; so they just have them destroyed or murdered. What does God think about this wicked activity? First of all, what does He think about babies, and about children? Psalms 127:3 tells us: “Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord and the fruit of the womb is his reward.” Hebrew-nachalah (nakh-al-aw): something inherited; a possession of (the Lord). This scripture makes it pretty plain, that children, whether they are still in the womb, or have been fully produced, are property of the Lord. They are supposed to be a reward from Him. Yet the people of this nation, believe that they have the right to put an end to their life! No way! And then we have the nerve to say that we are trusting in God.

B. Adultery. What is meant by adultery? This is voluntarily sexual activity, by a married person, with someone other than their own husband or wife. Usually, but not always, both parties, are married to another person. Our divorce courts are running over with cases, which have been caused by couples committing this awful sin. Even worse, a husband or a wife will be involved in this horrible sin, and feel very proud of it. Many times, a faithful husband or wife will not even have any idea, that they are the victim, of a mate who is involved in this gross sin. The picture which our adult society, has painted for our young people in America, has become a disgrace. Is this what is called, Trusting in God? I can assure you, in the eyes of God, there is certainly something wrong. Let’s see what He has to say about adultery in his Word.

(1) We read in Hebrews 13:4: “Marriage is honorable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.”

(a) Marriage is honourable. Greek-timios (tim-ee-os): valuable or most precious; a matter to be sought by all.

(b) In all. Meaning that this most respectful act, marriage, should be carried out by every man and woman, who finds themselves in true love with one another. Yet in this nation today, people don’t even bother with marriage any more. Couples now just move in with one another. They do not want to be under the regulations of marriage. They want it to be so that they can just move our and separate, if they decide that they do not like living together. It’s perfectly legal! Everybody does it! This is the attitude of the majority of
our adult society in America today. And what makes it so much worse, is that parents today, are telling their children that there is nothing wrong with living such a lifestyle. They tell their children to just move in together for a while, and if it doesn’t work out, then they can just separate, and nobody will get hurt. This has become the most common practice today; especially in the United States of America. Marriage has almost become a practice of the past in this nation. We have several court programs on our television networks today. And I have noticed as I watch some of them, that probably at least seventy-five percent of the cases that they present, are between young men and women who have decided to move in together, rather than get married. And then it never works out. They end up splitting up, usually hating one another. And you never hear the judge condemn them for their sinful act of just moving in together. The judge never questions this situation at all; but only the other matters at hand. We can see from this, how unimportant the act of marriage has gotten to be in America. What a disgraceful act; especially for a nation who claims to be trusting in God, and living by his standards. I’m sure it makes God want to throw up.

(c) The bed undefiled. Greek-amiantos (am-ee-an-tos): pure and clean; to be a place of purity and holiness before God; not a place for committing adultery and fornication.

(d) Whoremongers-Greek-pornos (por-nos): a prostitute, or one who uses their body, in a defiled manner (for adultery or fornication).

(e) Adulterers-Greek-moichos (moy-khos): a male or female sexual offender.

(f) God will judge. Greek-krino (kree-no): condemn to punishment (in Hell); as to call before his judgment seat (whoremongers and adulterers), for sentencing.

(2) God's Word tells us in Lev. 20:10-12: “And the man that committeth adultery with another man’s wife, even he that committeth adultery with his neighbor’s wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death. And the man that lieth with his father’s wife hath uncovered his father’s nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them. And if a man lie with his daughter-in-law, both of them shall surely be put to death: they have wrought confusion; their blood shall be upon them.” It makes no difference who the guilty parties are, for in the eyes of God, adultery is sin; and the punishment is death. God's Word warns every man (or woman), to seek wisdom; for it shall protect thee from the way of every evil man (or woman). This scripture makes it very clear, that
those who choose to be a part in adulterous acts, will receive the same reward; death. So many people, who are a part of this great sin, don’t even realize that they are doing any wrong; or either they do not care.

(3) Prov. 30:20 tells us: “Such is the way of an adulterous woman; she eateth, and wipeth her mouth, and saith, I have done no wickedness.” How blind are the eyes of sinful people! May God have mercy upon them, who never even realize that they have done anything wrong. Satan has their eyes so blinded, that they even feel good about what they are doing. Adultery corrupts a land; and it has most certainly done a good job of such in the United States.

(4) We will read a story in Prov. 7, which sounds exactly like many situations, which occur in the United States every day. Beginning with verse 1, we read: “My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee. Keep my commandments, and life; and my law as the apple of thine eye. Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart. Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister; and call understanding thy kinswoman: That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger which flattereth with her words. For at the window of my house I looked through my casement, And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding, Passing through the street near her corner. And he went the way to her house, In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night: And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtle of heart. (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house: Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.) So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent face said unto him, I have peace offerings with me; this day have I paid my vows. Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee. I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt. I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon. Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves. For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long journey: He hath taken a bag of money with him, and will come home at the day appointed. With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him. He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks: Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it is for his life. Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth. Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths. For she hath
cast down many wounded: yea, many strong men have been slain by her. Her house is the way to Hell, going down to the chambers of death.”

(a) The strange woman. Hebrew-zuwr (zoor): foreign or profane; one who engages in the acts of adultery.

(b) A harlot. Hebrew-zanah (zaw-naw): one who practices adultery or fornication; a whore; one who influences others to also commit themselves to such acts.

(c) Subtle of heart. Hebrew-natsar (naw-tsar): to be sneaky, or tricky; concealing the real desires of one’s heart; as to blackmail, or to deceive.

(d) With an impudent face. Hebrew-azaz (aw-zaz): stout or strong; prevailing or determining (to make an accomplishment—to be deceiving in this case).

(e) Hosea 4:1-2 tells us: “Hear the Word of the Lord, ye children of Israel: for the Lord hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood.” Does this sound like our country, the United States? Regretfully so.

C. Fornication. This is speaking of sexual relationships outside of the bonds of marriage, or before marriage. There is a very important factor, which must be considered, when trying to understand the difference between adultery and fornication. In the matter of adultery, sin is not only committed against God, but there is also another innocent party, who is being done wrong; the husband or wife of the guilty ones. In the matter of fornication, neither party is married. Yet it is just as serious in the eyes of God, as adultery. Fornication has become very popular in our country; and we have situations of single people committing fornication with married people, just about as much as with other single people. Let us stop and think for a moment. What is causing our people to have such thoughts and desires for these sinful acts? You do not have to look very far to find the answers. Have you ever given it a thought, that in every department store you go into, and about every grocery store, all you can see is pictures of women, and pictures of men, displaying their bodies in nothing but their underwear? You see either a woman displaying her body in absolutely nothing but her panties, or in her bra, or both? Or a picture of a man displaying his body in nothing but his underwear; attempting to help a company to get rich, by the use of these disgraceful looking pictures and manicans; displaying nude bodies in nothing but underwear? You can’t go near the clothing department of any store, without having to see such ungodliness. And every time you turn on
the television, you see a commercial with a woman dancing around in her bra, or her other underwear. They could care less, to the thoughts of adultery and fornication, that they are putting into the minds of every person that sees such ungodliness. What kind of thoughts do you think this is going to put into the minds of people? Especially people who are lost without Jesus, or who are not walking close with Him. The devil uses these ungodly scenes, to try and tempt the minds of men and women alike. Any man or woman who says that these ungodly scenes never put wrong thoughts into their minds, is a liar; because we all are human. And then we wonder why our nation has so many rapes, and children suffering from sexual abuse. I try and walk as close with Jesus as I possibly know how. And when I see these ungodly scenes, or face these ungodly situations, the devil attempts to fill my mind with wrong thoughts of all types. And I know that he does the same thing with other people also. I just thank God that He gives me the spiritual strength to overcome these wicked thoughts, that the devil throws at me every day. When is America ever going to come back to realizing, that Godliness is not based on how much money that we can make, but on how much we can obey and respect the Word of God? Let’s take a look at what God's Word says about fornication.

(1) God's Word tells us, that fornication is a result of an evil heart. We read in Matt. 15:19-20: “For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.”

(a) Jesus said that these are the things, which defile a man (or woman). Greek-koīnoo (koy-no-o): to make profane; to pollute (the body and the soul); to cause to become unholy.

(2) Jeremiah told us in Jer. 17:9-10: “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.”

(a) The heart is deceitful. Hebrew-āqōb (aw-kobe): crooked or polluted, to cause to fall or stumble (spiritually), or to be the centerpoint of sin.

(b) Above all things. As to be greater, to be more successful at (causing deceit), to be recognized more, or to be the centerpoint of something (deceit).

(c) Desperately wicked. Hebrew-anāš (aw-nash): to be frail, feeble, sick, or woeful. Speaking of such coming about, due to hard work at a particular task
(being wicked).

(3) Fornication is a sin against one's own body. We read in 1 Cor. 6:18: “Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.”

(a) Flee fornication. Greek-pheugo (fyo-o-go): to run away from, to shun, or to vanish or escape from. This word means to get away from; immediately or in a hurry.

(b) This scripture tells us that he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. Greek-eis (ice): representing destruction or the cause of such; representing motion, as to get something accomplished (the destruction of the body). Who would any one ever desire to destroy their own body? According to the Word of God, any one who commits fornication is doing such.

(4) God's Word also tells us in 1 Cor. 6:9-10, that fornicators shall not inherit the kingdom of God. We read in the scriptures: “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, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.” This is a plain warning to those who choose to commit such sins as fornication; that they will not be allowed into God's divine kingdom. In other words, they will have no part in the love, peace, and the joy; which one experiences, only by living a Godly life, and by walking with God continually.

(5) When we think of those many people, who desire to forget about marriage; who desire to just move in together, and then commit fornication continuously; acting as though there is nothing wrong with what they are doing; we have a passage of scripture, which should make it very plain to them, that it is sin; and that if they choose to continue living their lives, in such an ungodly manner, that they will surely bear the consequences of such living. 1 Cor. 7:1-9 tells us: “Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a man not to touch a woman. Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband. Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife. Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and
come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency. But I speak this by permission, and not by commandment. For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that. I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I. But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn.” What was the main purpose of this teaching, which Paul spoke to the Corinthian people? To try and persuade the people, to avoid fornication.

(a) Render due Benevolence. Greek-eunoia (yoo-noy-ah): kindness or conjural duty; speaking of the duty which every husband and every wife owe to one another; to render the promises which they have given to one another, when they took their marriage vows (to love one another and to be faithful to one another).

(b) But if ye cannot contain. Greek-egkrateuomai (eng-krat-yoo-am-ahee): to exercise self-restraint or self-control (as pertaining to sexual activity).

(c) Let them marry. Paul is plainly telling the people, that if they cannot avoid having sexual intercourse with one another, then get married. Don’t just move in together, and then move out when you lose the feeling; or when you get mad at one another. Make sure, first of all, that it is true love which you feel; and not just a momentary feeling of some kind. Do it God’s way: get married!

(d) For it is better to marry, than to burn. What is Paul talking about? He is trying to make it clear to the people; that it is much better to get married; and to be right in the eyes of God, than to burn in Hell, for living such an ungodly lifestyle. For Paul also told us in 1 Thes. 4:3: “For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication.”

D. Homosexuality. This is speaking of a sexual desires and relationships with a member of one’s own sex. God has hated this horrible sin, since the beginning of time.

(1) Lev. 18:22 tells us: “Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination.”

(2) And also in Lev. 20:13, we read: “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.”

(3) These scriptures make it pretty plain. Homosexuality is an abomination in the eyes of God; and the punishment for such actions, is death. Hebrew-towebah (to-ay-baw): something disgusting or sickening to the eyes of God.

(4) Another name for a homosexual, is a sodomite; which means one who
has sexual relationships with one of the same sex. This name probably comes from the people of Sodom, who were destroyed along with the people of Gomorrah, by the hand of God; for living such an ungodly lifestyle. We read about this story in Genesis 19:1-25, which tells us: “And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground; And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant’s house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night. And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat. But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter: And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? Bring them out unto us, that we may know them. And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly. Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof. And they said, Stand back. And they said again, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door. But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door. And they smote the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door. And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? Son-in-law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring them out of this place: For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the Lord; and the Lord hath sent us to destroy it. And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the Lord will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law. And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here: lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city. And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the Lord being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.
And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said escape for thy life: look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed. And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord: Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shown unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die. Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live. And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken. Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar. Then the Lord rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the Lord out of heaven; And He overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.” Sodom and Gomorrah was a place, which was totally possessed by homosexuals; fully. Lot and his family were the only righteous people living in the land. And God had seen enough of it. So He sent the two angels, to totally destroy the place. The two angels decided to spend the night with Lot; after he continued to offer his hospitality unto them. After eating supper, just before they went to bed, all the men of the city: both young and old; from every part of the city; came knocking on Lot’s door; demanding that the two angels come outside; for they wanted to know them; which means to have sexual relationships with them. They were demanding; ready to kill Lot if necessary, in order to get to the two men inside the house. No doubt, the people of the city had no idea that the two men were angels; sent from God above. But even if they had known, it probably would of made no difference to them. But on the other hand, Lot must of not had much love for his two daughters; for he was willing to hand them over to the angry mob of men without second thought, it appears; not considering at all, what might happen to them. But the two angels opened the door, and pulled Lot into the house; before the angry mob got their hands on him. And then they smote the angry mob of men with blindness. And as soon as morning came, the two angels told Lot to take his family; his wife, his daughters, and his son-in-laws, and flee unto the mountains. For God was going to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah. Lot was scared to go to the mountains; no doubt because of the fierce wildlife which existed there. So the two angels gave him permission to flee unto the city of Zoar instead. And then God rained brimstone and fire upon Sodom and Gomorrah, and completely destroyed every person; and everything which grew upon the
This all happened, because of the ungodly, heathen lifestyle, which the people insisted upon living; homosexuality. The United States of America is just as guilty as was Sodom and Gomorrah, for committing these ungodly sexual acts.

E. Turning from the Word of God. In approximately 1962, the first steps began to be taken, to have the Word of God, removed from our public schools system. Laws were passed, forbidding the reading of God’s Word, in our public schools. As we mentioned earlier, a school teacher, or any other school official, can now be fired from their job, for reading the Word of God in the classroom, or for allowing any student to do such. Students have been suspended from school, for being caught with a “Holy Bible” in the classroom. Does this sound like a nation which trusts in God? How can a nation trust in God, when they won’t even allow his Holy Word in the school buildings?

Who do we think we are fooling? We complain over the decline in achievement, or comprehension, by the students; and we do every thing possible, to make sure that they never read the Word of God. How stupid are people going to get? If we deny God the right to fill our children’s minds with his thoughts and desires, where do we think their thoughts and desires are going to come from? We wonder why on earth, students come up with the desires, to come to school drugged up, why they bring firearms to school, desiring to shoot one another, and why they continually come up with desires to do evil of every kind; and we do everything that we possibly can, to try and discourage them from reading the one and only book that gives them the very answer to all of these problems; the Word of God. How can a nation treat God like such an “outcast”, and then have the nerve to print on every piece in our monetary system, “In God We Trust?” This isn’t nothing more than a lie! And also, as we briefly mentioned before, we do not even stop with the reading of the Bible. Now we have forbidden prayer from our public schools also. In the past years, every school teacher, started the day in the classroom, with the reading of God’s Word, and with prayer. A nation that is truly trusting in God, will never forbid the reading of his Holy Word, or deny any one the right to pray to Him; ever; in any place, or at any time! The U.S.A. cannot figure out, why our nation has become so corrupt. We have the answer, right at our fingertips; in the Word of God. Psalm 9:17 tells us: “The wicked shall be turned into Hell, and all the nations that forget God.” We also read in Deut. 8:19-20: “And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the Lord thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish. As the nations which the
Lord destroyeth before your face, so shall ye perish; because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of the Lord your God." Surely, if the U.S.A. does not repent of sin, turn back to God’s Word, and begin once again to pray unto Him, this nation will certainly perish. Hebrew-abad (aw-bad): to wander away, or to lose one’s recognition; to suffer destruction, to become totally uninhabited, or desolate, and to have no way of escape (from oncoming destruction).

F. Division. Never before in the history of our nation, have we had division in our nation, like we have it today. We have division in every part of life. We have division in our churches, in our homes, and every where we look. We now have serious division in our government; which is causing division among the people. And it is nothing more than the work of the devil. Jesus told us in Matt. 12:25: “Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand.” What did Jesus mean by desolation? Greek-eremoo (er-ay-mo-o): to be left as a wasteland, to come to nothing, or to be as a solitary wilderness.

How is the United States of America, going to ever convince any other nation, that we are a Christian nation, with such ungodliness as we have discussed going on in our country? We are supposed to be an example to the rest of the world. What kind of an example are we setting? I believe, a mighty poor one.

7. Truly, the morality in the United States of America, has sunk. We are no longer, the Christian nation which we used to be; and most certainly a poor example for a nation who claims to be trusting in God. We may be free for the moment, and we may consider ourselves brave; but what are we in the eyes of God? Surely, when He looks at the United States of America, He must feel just like He felt in the days before the flood.

Let’s read in Genesis 6:5-6: “And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And it repented the Lord that He had made man on the earth, and it grieved Him at his heart.” As sadly as it is to have to say, we have a writing by Paul, which sounds exactly like the United States of America. In Romans 1:18-32, we read: “For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shown it unto them. For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not
as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools. And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more that the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was meet. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.”

**Conclusion:**

Truly, our country has turned away from God. And He is continuously calling out to us; to repent of our sins, and to turn our eyes back to Him. There is still hope remaining; for God has made us a promise. We read in 2 Chron. 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 will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.” May our continual prayer be, that our nation turn back to God. Allow Him to be the director of our affairs once again. Allow it to once again become a true fact, and truly be witnessed in our nation, that “In God We Trust.” But I can assure you, that just simply repeatedly saying the words, “God Bless America”, is not going to get anything done. Just about every time a national leader gets up before a large crowd on national television, the first and the last words out of their mouth, is “God Bless America.” God so much wants to bless America; but simply repeating these three words before the people of the nation, is not going to influence Him to do such. The only thing that is going to influence God to really begin to start blessing
America again, and assure America that they have God on their side, is repentance of sin. America had better give it a second thought, before they stand before the rest of the world, and make threats to them, of what they are going to do to them with our dangerous Defense Department. We had better give it a second thought, as to who’s power is really behind us. America truly needs repentance from sin; from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Then we can truly ask in faith, God, please bless America; including those of our governmental system.

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