

"I WANT AMERICA BACK!"

Text: I Samuel 12:14, 15; II Chronicles 7:14

INTRODUCTION: I still get chills when I stand and pledge my allegiance to the flag of the United States of America! I still love to see Old Glory blowing in the breeze! I love my country and I am proud to be an American but America has changed for the worse and I want America back!

The America of today is very different from the America I knew as a boy! America has changed and certainly not for the better! America has plunged its righteousness into the depths of the garbage and ugliness of apostasy. Jesus Christ and the Bible lifted America from the miry clay and the weakness of the European political and religious quicksand! Now America has denied its Pilgrim forefathers and their Bible faith! Dr. Lester Roloff used to say, "America has turned into an insane asylum run by the inmates." I WANT AMERICA BACK!

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A. Our America of today has exchanged abstinence for adultery!

1. The Bible teaches that sex before marriage is wrong, but in our society today, immoral living is the in thing!
2. However, God still says that it is a sin-thing!
 - a. Exodus 20:14 *"Thou shalt not commit adultery".*
 - b. Proverbs 6:32 *"But whoso committeth adultery with a woman lacketh understanding: he that doeth it destroyeth his own soul".*
 - c. I Corinthians 6:18 *"Flee fornication . . . he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body".*
 - d. Hebrews 13:4 *"Marriage is honorable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge".*
3. Save yourself, keep yourself pure for your wedding night, young people and adults!
4. Spare yourself the horror of Aids and other sexually transmitted diseases by abstaining from sex until you are married!

B. Our America of today has exchanged motherhood for murder!

1. Men, women, boys and girls go out for a night of fun and wind up conceiving little, innocent babies.
2. Then because of the embarrassment or inconvenience of their sin, they often compound the sin by murdering that innocent little baby through abortion!!
3. Listen to these sobering statistics...
 - a. Approximately 4,000 unborn babies are murdered every day in the U.S.!

- b. The Vietnam War claimed 55,000 American lives during a 14 year period; yet every 2 weeks there are approximately 50,000 abortions performed in the U.S!
 - c. Approximately 1.3 million unborn babies are slaughtered every year through abortion in the U.S.!
 - d. Since the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision in Roe vs. Wade, it has been conservatively estimated that more than 50 million unborn babies have been murdered by legalized abortion on demand!
*Brings to mind the U.S. Supreme Court decision (Dred Scott) 1857 that blacks were not persons (human beings) – they were property.
 - e. In the U.S. 4 out of every 10 pregnancies ends in an abortion!
 - f. In our present society the most dangerous place for a baby to be is the mother's womb!
4. I believe that God is judging America for this biological holocaust called abortion!
 5. God has always judged the shedding of innocent blood! Listen to what the Bible says...
 - a. Remember what God said when Cain killed his own brother, Abel? Look at Genesis 4:10, ". . . *the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.*" What do you think that God hears as the innocent blood of multiplied millions of aborted babies flows through our sewers?!
 - b. Deuteronomy 27:25 "*Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person...*"
 - c. Psalm 106:38
 - d. Proverbs 6:16, 17

C. Our America of today has exchanged work for welfare!

1. The sick and elderly are deserving of our help, but those who are slothful and lazy bums ought to be made to get out of bed and get a job!
2. Listen to what the Bible says...
 - a. Genesis 3:19 "*In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread . . .*"
 - b. Exodus 20:9 "*Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work.*"
 - c. II Thess. 3:10 ". . . *if any would not work, neither should he eat.*"
3. Our politically correct society and welfare state mentality has fueled a society of bums!
4. Hard work is honorable and a lazy bum, give me a hand-out mentality is to be disdained!

D. Our America of today has exchanged the Ten Commandments for terror in our public school system!

1. Our country was founded upon Christian principles, upon the Word of God!

2. The first compulsory education law in America was the "Ole Satan Diluter Law."
3. That law was that they had to use the Bible in the public schools; they had to teach the Bible so that the Devil could not dilute, or deceive the minds of the students so that they could keep their minds centered on God and righteousness!
4. But today, God, prayer, and Bible study have been thrown out of our public schools!
5. Secular Humanism has taken over and look at the results!
 - a. Kids killing their teachers and other students!
 - b. Drugs and violence are rampant in the schools!
 - c. Assaults on teachers are common place!
 - d. Teenage pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases are out of control!
6. The America of today has taken the Ten Commandments off the school walls and put policemen in the school halls!
7. Daniel Webster said, "Whatever makes men good Christians, makes them good citizens".
8. Exodus 20:3-17

CONCLUSION: I want America back! Do you want America to come back to God, to prayer, and living right?! Will you come today to pray for America, our President, our Congress, our Supreme Court Justices, our Governor, our state and local governments?