

We Are Held Accountable To A Higher Law

Text: 1 Samuel 8:9, 18-22; Romans 1:18-32

Introduction:

1. The **butchery of babies and sexual perversion** undoubtedly will go down in history as primary contributors to *the moral and spiritual deterioration, decline*, and collapse of American society. **Abortion** and **homosexuality** are glaring proofs of the expanding rejection of God in American civilization. They show the extent to which Americans are severing themselves from the laws of God in exchange for wanton indulgence of human passion. Forget where a candidate stands on health care, the stock market, the environment, states' rights, Fanny Mae, Freddy Mac, the arms race and social security! We simply **must** lay aside all the other political issues that compete for our attention and affect our finances, and vote based on where a candidate stands on these **two premiere moral issues that will spell the doom of our nation**. If the nation is punished for its moral degradation, our finances ***will be the least of our worries***.
2. *Because* we are living in a day and age that we are being taught by those who do not believe in a God of the Universe that we all evolved from some primordial soup millions of years ago – the problem is that many believe this lie from the devil.
3. *Because* we are living in a day and age when it seems as if all we hear is lies and half-truths about what is right and wrong.
4. *Because* we are living in a day and age where *laws and proposed laws* are being made that completely undermine our society as God would have it. – **Acts 5:29**
5. *Because* we live in a day and age when the **sanctity of life** is no longer a given and laws are being made to further this downward spiral of this **decadence of godlessness**.
 - a. With the Supreme Court of the United States, in 1973, approving women's right in **aborting** (**murdering**) her child. – **Psalms 106:35-39**
 - i. Murder is forbidden (**Matthew 19:18**) and is one of the works of the flesh (**Galatians 5:19-21**) and those who commit such an act or are partakers of the act will not inherit eternal life (**Revelation 21:8**) but the lake of fire for *eternity*.
 - b. The on-demand of **euthanasia** (*self-murder*) if you don't believe you want to live any more.
 - c. Or, if society believes that a person is not contributing anything to society anymore, then just kill them – (As Nazi Germany did in WWII). – As the Dutch are doing today. Is not America not far behind????
 - i. The state of Oregon has at this time doctor assisted (*suicide*) and the state of Washington has plans for the same.
6. *Because* we live in a day and age when the sanctity of **marriage has been and is being further destroyed**.
 - a. According to a 2004 census, some 5,080,000 American couples were living together without the benefit of marriage. Several decades ago this practice was relatively rare and considered a *sexual deviation*; today **it scarcely raises an eyebrow**.
 - b. Because we live in a day and age where **40 percent** of the babies born in the United States are born out of wedlock.

- i. Teenage girls in school having babies and calling it good.
 - ii. Teenage boys in school fathering babies and not taking any responsibility for it and calling it good.
 - iii. Those who are living together past their school days are at an all time high.
 - c. Because we are living in a day and age whereby the states of California, Massachusetts and Connecticut are permitting the marriage of men and men and women and women, and calling it good.
 - i. And ***there are those who wish to make it a national law*** that this is perfectly okay and anyone who disagrees with it will end up in jail.
- 7. *Because* we live in a day and age when God's name cannot be used unless it is used in a curse word. Jesus Christ cannot be named for fear of offending others.
 - a. The **true God** and **Prayer** removed from our schools (1963 – Supreme Court because of an atheist Madalyn O'Hair). – **Psalms 14:1**
 - i. But, a person can name the false religions and worship them, even in school – satanic, witchcraft, Muslim or any other god with a lower case 'g' that is not the true God of the universe.
 - ii. With **NO God** there is **NO peace**
 - iii. With **NO God** there is **NO truth** or **absolutes** to guide us, *therefore all things are 'relative' and everyone does what is right in their own eyes.* – **Judges 17:6**
- 8. The very moral fabric of our society is torn and being torn apart and we have **those who wish us to continue** in this direction.
 - a. Yes, folks there is **evil** in the land
 - i. There are those who call good evil and evil good.

– **Isaiah 5:20**
- 9. So, the question is: **"What does God think about this moral depravity?"**
 - a. We must turn to the source of the truth to find the answers – God's Word – His Holy Word – The Bible.
 - b. **Only in the word of God can we find the truth, *not in the knowledge or the wisdom of men.***

I. Our only source of the truth on these matters is found in God's Word, The Bible

A. If God is against it, ***then we most assuredly must be against it.***

- 1. Some of the abominations to God as written for us in **Proverbs 6:12-23**
- 2. God even tells us that He hates these things:
 - a. Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, And hands that ***shed innocent blood***, A heart that ***devises wicked plans***, Feet that run rapidly to evil, A false witness who utters lies, And one who spreads strife among brothers.
 - 1) **Shedding of innocent blood** -- Nothing can be more innocent than a baby in the womb – and man calls it a lump of flesh or a 'non-life' being until 'it' is born.

2) The Scriptures tell us that life of a child begins at conception – **Jeremiah 1:5**

i.

We have a major breakdown in our society with the murder of millions of children since the allowance of murder in this society was propagated – 1973

ii.

The questions are (Each and every one of us must answer these questions):

- a) Don't we love our children anymore? (**Matthew 19:13-15**) How do we feel toward human life? (**Psalms 72:13, 14**) Toward family and friends? (**Matthew 22:36-40**) Are the most natural of human affections becoming foreign to us? (**Romans 1:31 KJV**)

iii.

We do know that God calls it an abomination to shed human blood, and if it is an abomination to God, it also should be an abomination to us **because** we are held to a higher law and yes we will be held accountable for our actions or NON-actions if we have 'ANY' part of this abomination.

- a) Are we *partakers* of this depravity?
 - a. Listen to **Ephesians 5:1-7**
 - b) There is **no middle road**, we are either for it or against it – we cannot be neutral.

3) **Wicked plans made** – same sex marriages – two living together outside of marriage – having babies out of wedlock, etc.

i.

The very fabric of the family is being torn apart because of these abominations.

- a) In same sex marriage God calls it degrading and unnatural and will receive due penalty of their error having a depraved mind. – **Romans 1:26-28**
 - 1) It is a deviant life-style – God calls it detestable – **Leviticus 20:13**.
 - 2) It is a hopeless lifestyle.
 - 3) It is a joyless lifestyle.
 - 4) Continuing in this lifestyle brings death (**separation from God for all of eternity**) to the beholder unless they repent – **1 Corinthians 6:9-11**.

ii. God has told us that the marriage bed is to be undefiled – **Hebrews 13:4**

iii. It is God who instituted marriage, not man and it is between one man and one women – **Genesis 2:18-24**

B. We must never forget:

1. We are held accountable to a higher law and that is the law of God.
2. We will be stand before that great judge of the universe some day and give an answer for our deeds, good or bad. – **2 Corinthians 5:10**
3. We will be judged by the words of Jesus Christ – **John 12:48**
4. We are to expose the unfruitful deeds of darkness – **Ephesians 5:11**
5. We are to abstain from *all appearances* of evil – **1 Thessalonians 5:22**
6. We are not to have anything to do with anything that is evil – **Psalms 1:1,2**
 - a. And yes, the murder of babies in the womb and sexual perversion is evil.
 - b. And yes, we must not be partakers of such but reprove them.
 - c. And yes, if we do have ANYTHING to do with such heinous moral decadence, our hands are not clean.

Conclusion:

1. If America is to survive as a nation, it must reject the godless, immoral, anti-Christian outlook that others continually propagate.
 - a. We must turn to the Almighty, Who “*rules in the kingdom of men,*” and recognize that **every** decision we make, ***including selecting government leaders,*** must be based upon our recognition of **God’s sovereignty.**
 - b. He not only “*rules over the nations*” (**Psalm 22:28**), but He judges both nations (in this lifetime; cf. **Genesis 11:1-9; 18-19**) and the individuals who make up nations (at the end of time; cf. **Acts 17:30-31; 2 Corinthians 5:10**).
2. The ultimate solution to every moral issue is genuine New Testament Christianity and the objective standard of the Bible.
 - a. If all people would organize their lives around the precepts and principles presented in the Bible, civilization would be in good shape. No other suitable alternative exists.
 - b. There is simply *no other way to live life cohesively*, with **focus**, with **perspective**, with **direction**, **and with the proper sense of the purpose of life.**
3. “*and My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray, and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.*” **2 Chronicles 7:14**