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THE SPIRITUAL BATTLE FOR THE SOUL OF AMERICA  
**ONLY REVIVAL AMONG BELIEVERS CAN SAVE AMERICA!**

A WORD FOR CHURCHES:  
IT IS TIME FOR RENEWAL, REDEDICATION, REAFFIRMATION, STARTING WITH  
INDIVIDUAL CHRISTIANS.

## HELP SAVE OUR NATION!

History is littered with the remains of once great empires, each one having had its turn at the very helm of the world, rising so high, yet today they are only a memory. Will this be true of America? For hundreds of years historians and scholars have carefully studied and evaluated the factors that have caused the decline and death of great empires. Two scholars that come to mind are **Edward Gibbon**, who wrote the classic *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire* and **Arnold Toynbee**, who wrote *A Study of History*. Twenty-one of the last great empires on earth all showed the same common signs of decline *just before they dissolved and disappeared* from world history.

Most who attempt to understand our times have a list, either written or inscribed in their minds, of the behaviors that God has labeled as "abominations" in His sight. Many historians have catalogued "commonalities of calamity" or "the pathology of death" shared by all twenty-one of the last great extinct societies and their diagnosis is alarming. Nations do not really die, they dissolve, a slow process of erosion. During my eighty-seven years of living, I have witnessed the decline of what was once called "the home of the brave and the land of the free" as it has become "the home of the rave and the land of the spree" as **Robert G. Lee** termed it in a sermon at a meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention years ago. My space does not allow me to share my list, which continues to grow longer. May I summarize?

Nations ready to die are plagued by lawlessness, economic insolvency, loss of values, self-centeredness and the breakdown of social order. Peace and order become impossible despite a deluge of "new laws/methods/approaches" deemed to stem the flood. The Barbarians then come and infiltrate, and the nation cannot resist. It loses its moral fiber and the will to sacrifice is no longer present. There are well-worn paths to disaster and these are stark warnings to any nation. They are absolute reminders not to make the fatal movement away from God as Lord of all. Simply, a nation that has forgotten God has no chance! History shows that nations seldom listen. History will end at the feet of our Risen Lord!

The great hope is that God, in His mercy, will send a mighty move of His Spirit in our nation and revive it to blessing and a right relationship to Him. In America, true revival will not come by simply becoming aware of our great need for it. It will not come even if we are successful in pointing out our present grievous sins and errors. It will not come because of multiplied meetings to encourage us and to make us want revival and even sing about.

Revival will come only in God's sovereign grace when His people (His church) recover God's revelation of who He is. We must have fresh revelation of God through His written Word and the Living Word—Jesus Christ the Lord. Inherent in this revelation will come the glorious realization of who He wants His people to be. Then the people of God must choose to authentically respond to Him in such a way as to allow him to clear up the discrepancies and contradictions that often take frontal stage. Submitted to Him, the Church will once again become the much needed "salt and light."

When **Dr. Earl Radmacher** came to Northeastern Bible College, during my tenure as president, to deliver the Staley Lecture Series, he stressed that we have lost sight of who God is. And because we do not see His holiness, there is no fear of God. Because we don't see our unholiness there is little of the brokenness essential to moving to praying ground. Because we don't see His forgiveness there is no joy. Because we don't see His plan we sense a lack of purpose. "The Word, Spirit-filled, Prayer, Witnessing, Stewardship" was his mantra as he challenged all of us.

What is the one thing that will save our country from disaster in this hour of deadly peril? It is earnest supplication to Almighty God with wholehearted repentance. Personal and united prayer and repentance will do more to save our country than all the armaments and peace conferences and ever accomplish. Therefore let us set ourselves to pray. THE NEED OF THE HOUR IS PRAYER WARRIORS!

Yours in Calvary love,  
*J. Gordon Henry*

**ELECTION DAY**  
Tuesday, November 8, 2022  
• Pray  
• Listen to God  
• Vote your values

Millions will go to the polls who do not share your concerns, needs, and values. It is crucial that every evangelical Christian pray, listen to God, and VOTE.



CONGRESSMAN: **Gerald Nadler (NY)**  
**"what any religious tradition describes as God's will is no concern of this Congress."**

March 3, 2021

**A DARK DAY IN AMERICA—U.S. CONGRESS**

## DO IT AGAIN, LORD!

**Isaiah 22:15-25.** Isaiah included in his book a section that is applicable to the day in which we are living. It has to do with **Shebna**, the steward who was a high government official responsible for caring for the king and his dominion. Read the story for yourself. One translation says "The LORD will toss you into captivity like a wadded ball" (v 17). The **NKJV** concludes Shebna's story with God speaking: "So I will drive you out of your office, and from your position [I] will pull you down" (v 19).

The rest of the saga is encouraging. God had a man, **Eliakim**, a godly man was promoted to **Shebna's** position. The key which was the access to the king was placed into his hands. He would be reliable as "a peg in a secure place" (v 23).

**We are a representative democracy and elect leaders to represent us.** In all levels of government, we need godly men who will lead us upward and onward in a manner pleasing to God, the Creator of all mankind. Be sure you are on praying ground and pray for God's will be done on earth. Then Vote!



Sue's Note

As Sue's caregiver, I am learning to assume any detail (such as cooking, etc) that helps her; each day is different. Her **"THANK YOU"** was a follow through when she verbally expressed her appreciation for assistance. Now I want to widen Sue's **"THANK YOU"** to embrace our **DOORKEEPERS** (prayer and financial supporters) and everyone who reads the **REFLECTOR**, family members and friends.

## A PRECIOUS GIFT FROM SUE

Most guests in our home comment on our **Ray Harm Bird Collection** with plates gracing many walls throughout our residence. A few days ago, Sue left a small Ray Harm print, "California Quail," on my table in the upper level workstation. The two-word message written on the card is one I will mull over during this thanksgiving season—**"THANK YOU!"** Many of our readers know that our Heavenly Father has entrusted her with a "thorn in the flesh," using Paul's metaphor in **2 Corinthians 12:7-10**, which he termed "a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure"—**The Alzheimer's Disease**. Anyone familiar with this disease knows the toll it takes.



Sue preparing inserts

## Redeeming the time

Dr. Henry M. Morris

"Redeeming the time, because the days are evil"  
(Ephesians 5:16)

Note also **Colossians 4:5**. Time is our most valuable possession and should not be squandered. Lost health can often be regained, and so can money and earthly possessions, but time wasted is gone forever.

See **Psalms 90:10-12**. "The days of our years are threescore years and ten ... So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." A person has only about 18,000 days in which he could apply his life to eternal values, so it is vitally important to be "redeeming the time."

Note: The notes are from Dr. Morris' **The New Defenders Study Bible**, available through JGHM. Dr. Tim LaHaye has said that Dr. Morris' notes are so rich that no other commentary is needed. Dr. Morris, one of our most faithful **Doorkeepers**, went home to be with the Lord on February 25, 2006. He served as the chairman for the **Transnational Association of Christian Schools and Colleges (TRACS)** during Dr. Henry's tenure as executive director.

**WE ARE A REPRESENTATIVE REPUBLIC AND ELECT LEADERS TO REPRESENT US. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022 BE INVOLVED THROUGH PRAYING AND VOTING.**

*"The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth" (Psalm 145:18).*

**HOME AT LAST**  
**DOORKEEPER NANCY BRETZ**

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## Notes from My Bible

**Note 6046.** Harry Ironsides & Criticism. "If what they are saying about you is correct, mend your ways. If it isn't, forget it and go about the business of serving God."

**Note 6047.** Abraham Lincoln. "Be sure you put your foot in the right place, then stand firm."

**Note 6048.** Dwight Eisenhower, 34<sup>th</sup> President: "The Future of this republic is in the hands of the American voter."

## ROPEHOLDER/DOORKEEPER REPORT

*"We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers."*

1 Thessalonians 1:2

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## QUO VADIS?

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## FOUNDER'S PERSPECTIVE

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