BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY - AND EVERY OTHER DAY!



*Christians Must Stand and Be Counted! ("For I Am NOT Ashamed of the Gospel... Romans 1:16); Ephesians 6:10-12

Ephesians 6:10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

*Christians Must Call the Nation to Repentance! ("God commands ALL people everywhere to repent... Acts 17:30); Ezekiel 18:30-32

Ezekiel 18:30 "Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, declares the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin.

31 Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of **Israel?**

³² For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live."

*Christians Must Evangelize, Disciple, and Train the Younger Generations! ("Train up a child God's way, and even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6;) Psalm 119:9; 2 Tim. 2:22

Psalm 119:9 How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

² Timothy ^{2:22} So flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

*Christians Must Enjoy This Life God Has Given Us! Ecclesiastes 2:24-25; 3:12-13, 22; 5:18-20; 8:7-9

Eccl. 2:24 There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God,

²⁵ for apart from him who can eat or who can have

enjoyment?

Eccl. 3:12 I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live;

¹³ also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man.

²² So I saw that there is nothing better than that a man should rejoice in his work, for that is his lot. Who can bring him to see what will be after him?

Eccl. 5:18 Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot.

¹⁹ Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God.

²⁰ For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

Eccl. 8:7 For he does not know what is to be, for who can tell him how it will be?

⁸ No man has power to retain the spirit, or power over the day of death. There is no discharge from war, nor will wickedness deliver those who are given to it.

⁹ All this I observed while applying my heart to all that is done under the sun, when man had power over man to his hurt.

