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". . . defending the faith once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3)

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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK: A Battle of Worldviews

Just to set those who don't know at ease, the outcome has already been decided. In Matthew 16:18, while speaking to Peter, Jesus said "...I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." And for the next 2000 years (and counting), the battle has raged. The Devil has thrown every conceivable "ism" at the Lord's people, who bend, but don't break. God hasn't promised us a smooth ride, just a successful one (Philippians 1:6).

There are two worldviews at work today: God's and everyone else's. A partial list would include liberalism, progressivism, socialism, Marxism, communism, and totalitarianism among others. And hanging in the balance of that tension may be America's future, the outcome of which may already have been foretold by Alexis de Tocqueville, who said "...if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great." Since the earliest days of the 20th century an evil has permeated our land and our soul and it can be argued that as a result of that America is no longer good. Today truth is under attack like never before. God is truth, and He is in the crosshairs of secular society, which coupled with its ungodly twin of humanism is diametrically opposed to all that our Lord represents.

Secular humanism has replaced the Judeo-Christian values that made America great. Someone once said that it was the pursuit of the approval of God that made this country accomplish great things. William Penn drove that point home by saying to America's early leaders, "If thou would rule well—thou must rule for God—and to do that—thou must be ruled by Him." Over the last 75 years, the Supreme Court has imposed a secular theology through our government run schools that violates the Constitution's Establishment Clause, which prohibits government from imposing religious beliefs. In so doing they've removed prayer, Bibles, and the 10 Commandments. Evolution has replaced Creation. Feminism, transgenderism, sodomy, and adultery supplant biblical ethics on sex. Totalitarian governments that run our cities are assisted by liberal pastors preaching the social gospel instead of the gospel of Christ. The social gospel is nothing more than socialism wrapped in religious terminology and unbiblical theology. It promotes doing things for the common good, which is a term used often by socialists, progressives, and Democrats.

Make no mistake, humanism is a religion, and on top of what our government has done to abrogate the Establishment Clause with it, their acolytes teach it at taxpayer's expense through the government schools. It is antithetical to the precepts that our founders gave us in our Founding documents, as well as offensive to the God who has mercifully blessed us from our humble beginnings. And the last thing America needs today is to fall into the hands of an angry God.

Answers for Our Catholic Friends—Part I

By Robert Luthardt, Sr.

Thomas F. Heinze spent over 30 years as an evangelical missionary in Italy, a nation where Roman Catholicism dominates. In his book, "Answers to My Catholic Friends," he provided a clear understandable path to lead seeking souls to salvation through the one and only way God has provided. That way is the once-for-all-time <u>FINISHED</u> work of the crucified and resurrected Lord of glory, Jesus Christ (John 14:6).

Pastor Heinze pointed out the historic divide between Catholics and Evangelicals is not so much different versions of the Bible, but more so in forms of worship and hierarchal authority in Christianity.

At the Council of Trent (AD 1215) the Mass was declared "a sacrifice of expiation ... of sins ... for the living" and for "souls in Purgatory." In contradiction to scripture, Christ's sacrifice is "renewed" at every mass and congregants are to kneel when the wafer (now the actual "flesh" of Christ) is elevated as "God." Worshipers are taught that once the wafr is ingested, they receive a share of Christ's merits to contribute to their own good works toward earning salvation. This concept is foreign to God's Word (Mark 7:8, 13; Matt. 15:2-9; Col. 2:8; Heb. 9:24-28 10:12).

A definite departure from scripture lies in the teaching that bread and wine miraculously transform into Christ's flesh and blood. Christ did <u>NOT</u> teach this concept. The bread and wine Christ held in His hands He intended to be symbolic ceremonial substitutes and replacements for the elements of the Passover feast. Now God was preparing to offer the long-sought Lamb of God as the true and final sacrifice that legally atones for man's sins. Now believers use the symbols of bread and wine at the Lord's Table strictly in adherence to Christ's command. "In remembrance of Me." Christ's actual flesh and blood are in the only place scripture reports them to be and what we swear in the "Apostle's Creed" in heaven and not in anyone's "bread or wine" (1 Cor. 11:23-26; Acts 7:55-56).

The apostle, under inspiration of the Holy Spirit, wrote that bread was only bread three times after Christ uttered "this is My body." After calling wine His blood, Christ called the wine the "fruit of the vine" (Mark 14:24-25).

Christ frequently used parabolic and symbolic illustrations as in "I am the door" and "I am the vine," etc.

Whenever an authentic miracle was performed by Christ, real verifiable changes were apparent such as restored withered hands, dead raised to life, and water to wine, etc. (John 2:8-10).

Christ no where in scripture instructed His followers to reproduce His flesh and blood. Adding to or taking away from Christ's teachings is expressly forbidden (Deut. 4:2, 12:32; Prov. 30:6; Rev. 22:19).

The Holy Spirit inspired the writer of Hebrews and Paul and Peter to clearly write that Christ's sacrificial death was a once-for-all-time, all-sufficient completed accomplishment. There's NO command to or necessity for a re-sacrificing of Christ (Rom. 6:9-10; Heb. 7:27-28, 9:12, 10:10-18).

The above cited verses indicate why our final controlling authority must be God's Word and not man's. Both liberal Protestantism and Roman Catholicism have made unwarranted additions of "traditions" to worship. Church authorities have contradicted scriptures and even each other by their changeable traditions. Biblical salvation is by grace alone but men teach that man's works must be added, such as penances, pilgrimages and eons of suffering in a non-biblical purgatory. Scripture clearly states that once God forgives a sinner and adopts him into His family through Christ's sacrifice, no further offering is needed or even possible. "Their sins and iniquities will I remember no more" (Heb. 10:17-18; Eph. 1:4-5, 11-13, 2:8-10),.

There is NO scriptural basis for the mythological place called Purgatory. It is derived from a book not a part of the Canon of Scripture. In 2 Maccabees 12:41-45, idolatry is condemned yet even here Purgatory is not mentioned. God promises "unconditional" <u>ETERNAL</u> life (1 John 5:13).

There is no middle ground between those lost, dead in trespasses and sins, and those effectually called out of spiritual lostness and deadness by God's grace alone through the newness of life from an indwelling Holy Spirit. God's gift of faith indubitably leads a regenerated person to repentance of sins and new life in Christ (John 1:12-13, 3:15-16; Rom. 8:28-30, 10:9-10; Eph. 2:1-10).

Scripture does not support "masses for the dead" in Purgatory which carries a burdensome expense upon the poor, especially widows. Man's needs spiritually are fully met by God's gift of grace alone for salvation. Once saved we are to "work out" the proof of that salvation earned by Christ alone (Phil. 2:12b).

Any divergence from God's settled Word by man's inventive theologies must be resolved in favor of the verities of Scripture. Bible churches make the pulpit central and scripture accessible. Catholic churches have an altar where Christ is repeatedly sacrificed without scriptural support. Even when scripture is alleged to be "equal" with tradition, the ideas of men rule when there is conflict.

Perhaps the most serious straying from scripture occurs because Roman Catholic beliefs are changeable by men's decisions alone. Once it was heresy for mass to be in the common language of the people but this was discarded. Eating meat on Friday was a sin by man's tradition, but this rule was also eliminated. Man's traditions are malleable but God's WORD is settled, certain, reliable, unchangeable and eternal.

A pagan practice that has permeated Christianity since about the 5th Century AD is the forbidden practice of venerating images. The second of the Ten Commandments forbids adoring worship of anything or anyone but God. In Roman Catholic countries, processions with images of Mary are common (Hinduism is also known for idol adoration). Throughout the Bible all forms of idol-adoration are categorically condemned and forbidden.

The abandonment of sound biblical exegesis to facilitate ecumenical endeavors actually originated in apostate liberal Protestant seminaries. The degrading of biblical reliability by "Higher Criticism" was foundational for an ever-spreading, ever-growing apostasy that has undermined the sound biblical teachings restored to Christianity by the 16th Century Reformation.

As the biblical plan of salvation based on the Gospel of Jesus Christ is founded fully and only on God's grace, it is <u>NOT</u> dependent upon men's good works. Sadly, as Christ's gospel faded from liberal pulpits, it was replaced with a social (and sometimes socialistic) gospel. One result was shrinking congregations and nearly empty sanctuaries becoming financially prohibitive leading to a consolidating unity movement.

Roman Catholic leaders began to make concessions to win these "wandering stars" back to the "one true Church." Soon Catholic seminaries even began to advocate the same brand of liberalism that had been so notorious theologically in Protestant seminaries. One unforeseen consequence of unexplored ecumenism was the infiltration of a doctrinally superficial charismatic movement into liberal Protestantism and into Roman Catholicism (Jude 12-13).

The Bible remains the single most detested book in human history. It humbles the pride-filled and binds all to God's Commandments and His exclusive plan of salvation. The recourse of reprobates was to ban or burn God's Word in dictatorial regimes or lacking that power, to pervert its teachings. Many of God's saints have been martyred to keep and protect God's Word. In spite of all Satan's attempts to suppress it, it is still transforming lives. Peter declared that it is the only writing given to mankind by men chosen by God Himself. Its credibility is enhanced by the literal fulfillment of biblical prophecies (2 Tim. 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:16-21; Matt. 5:18; Luke 21:33).

The Holy Bible is the only repository of God's salvific promises given for the divinely ordained perfecting of all who are saved by grace alone, in the finished work of Christ alone. "I am the bread of life: he that cometh to Me shall <u>NEVER</u> hunger; and that believeth on Me shall <u>NEVER</u> thirst." "Never" begins the moment one professes Christ as Savior <u>AND</u> Lord by the aid of the indwelling Holy Spirit. Peter, alleged to be the first Pope, pointed to scripture's transcendence and predominance over men's traditions as did other apostles.

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"What is Man That Thou Art Mindful of Him?"

By Nancy Long

- Nehemiah 9:6 "Thou, even Thou, art God alone; Thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and Thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshipeth Thee."
- Job 7:17-18 "What is man, that Thou shouldest magnify him? And that Thou shouldest set Thine heart upon him? And that Thou shouldest visit him every morning, and try him every moment?
- Psalm 8:4 "What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? And the son of man that Thou visitest him?"
- <u>Psalm 144:3</u> "Lord, what is man, that Thou makest knowledge of him! Or the son of man, that Thou makest account of him!
- Acts 17: 24-25 "God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that He is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, seeing He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things."
- John 10:27-30 "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. I and my Father are one."
- <u>Ephesians 1:5</u> "Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of His will."
- Ephesians 2:7b "..... the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus."

Have you ever stood on the upper deck of a cruise ship, listening to the splashing of the waves against the outer sides, looking out into the vastness of the ocean as far as the eye can see still, though, not being able to see any land? The sheer immensity of it the boundlessness of it, has a way of warming the soul and softening the heart, causing one to worship God, the Creator of all things!

I have walked through a towering stand of redwood trees in Muir Woods, near San Francisco, California, looking up at that tall and lofty, straight as an arrow, standing timber. Absolutely awesome!! Hiking through the majestic, and peaceful world of wonder, under a

canopy of those giant redwoods, each beginning from a small seedling no bigger than the tiniest of plants, causes one to pause, praise, and pray. God created those trees! God *created* the entire universe!!

Our God is an awesome God, bigger and greater than anything we could ever think, or even imagine *creator* of all things, *sovereign* over all things, *sustaining* all things, and providentially moving in and around all things in order to accomplish His overall purpose. How can we, created beings, fathom such a One as this?!?!

"When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained", says the psalmist, "What is man, that Thou art mindful of him" (Psalm 8:3-4)? David was in awe of God's grand design, His divine majesty and splendor in creation, and expressed this sentiment ever so beautifully in these verses of Scripture. David stood amazed in praise and prayer to God because of Who He is and that such a great and glorious One would even consider setting His attention and heart on wretched man, such as he, in his weak and fallen state.

"I am fearfully and wonderfully made," (Psalm 139:14a). In the book of Genesis we are told that the earth, the heavens, the galaxies, and all therein were **spoken** into existence all, that is, **except man**. Man alone was **created** in the image of God. Man alone was **fashioned** by the hands of the Divine Potter. Only man is able to speak. Only man has been given a personality and endowed with a moral nature. We are God's masterpiece! We were formed! We were knitted together! We were fashioned and uniquely designed for a purpose His purpose!! By an act of sovereignty we become His workmanship (Eph. 2:10)!!

Sad to say though, mankind fell! The Father however, *gently* and *lovingly* picked him up. "God commendeth His love toward us, that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8). Christ died for sinners, not for the righteous, not for the good ... for there is none! "There is none righteous, no, not one: They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one" (Rom. 3:10-12). Christ died but for the ungodly, for enemies, for malefactors, for hell deserving sinners, all unworthy of such favor from a Holy God. We evidence this on that "old rugged cross." It is not possible that we could ever fully and completely understand such an amazing and marvelous example of love?!?!

"Who am I, that the Lord of all the earth, Would care to know my name, would care to know my heart? Who am I, that the Bright and Morning Star, Would choose to light the way, for my ever wandering heart?

Who am I, that the eyes that see my sin,
Would look on me with love and watch me rise again?
Who am I, that the voice that calmed the sea,
Would call out through the rain, and calm the storm in me?

Not because of who I am, but because of what You've done, Not because of what I've done, but because of who You are! I am a flower quickly fading ... Here today and gone tomorrow,

A wave tossed in the ocean, vapor in the wind

Still You hear me when I'm calling Lord, You catch me when I'm falling,

And You've told me who I am I am Yours!

I am Yours I am Yours Whom shall I fear 'cause I am Yours!!"

(Christian music group --- Casting Crowns)

Who is able to comprehend the magnitude the enormity the awesomeness of such amazing, sacrificial love, mercy, and grace?!

God bless you, my Defender friends!!

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

— 1 John 3:1 (KJV)



THEY WILL NOT ENDURE SOUND DOCTRINE

Diane E. Hussey

"FOR THE TIME WILL COME WHEN THEY WILL NOT ENDURE SOUND DOCTRINE; BUT WANTING TO HAVE THEIR EARS TICKLED, THEY WILL ACCUMULATE FOR THEMSELVES TEACHERS IN ACCORDANCE TO THEIR OWN DESIRES, AND WILL TURN AWAY THEIR EARS FROM THE TRUTH AND WILL TURN ASIDE TO MYTHS." 2 TIMOTHY 4:3-4

There are two movements in the United States in recent years that attempt to explain why people have chosen to walk away from or leave their churches. What are these two movements, and what can we learn about them in order to address the issues that have contributed to their emergence? These movements are referred to as The Great Dechurching by Michael Graham and Jim Davis and The Deconstruction of Christianity by Alisa Childers and Tim Barnett, January 2024. In their book Graham and Davis ask the questions: "Who's Leaving, Why Are They Going and What will it Take to Bring Them Back?"

The good news, according to Graham and Davis, is that "American Christianity is not collapsing." However, Childers and Barnett state "deconstruction is sweeping through churches" . . . and "we need to understand what's happening, stand our ground and respond with clarity and confidence."

Graham and Davis explain, "over a 20-30 year period, 40 million people dechurched or walked away," but they claim "20 million are ready to return." They state that most people left in the 70's and early 80's. "Most people left for basic, simple life reasons, the most important of which is that they moved." Graham and Davis explain that "13-30 year olds are most at risk for de-churching." They maintain that this is a "religious trend." Davis reminds everyone, "The gospel is true. God is good and He's in control. He's at work all over the world." He comments, "Among those who left, most people still have spiritual interest." (Chris Fabry Show, Moody Radio, October 30, 2023.)

According to Alisa Childers and Tim Barnett, the Deconstruction Movement is "like a cult, very toxic & very controlling." People in this movement question Christianity and may choose to cut themselves off from family, friends or grandkids. The authors help to uncover common lies repeated in progressive circles, encourage readers to hold onto the soul-restoring truths God's word offers, and be empowered to live in the way your Creator designed you. For some people, deconstructing their faith leads them away from the truth into agnosticism, the occult or humanism. Childers and Barnett say that this movement is one of the most significant challenges to Christianity in America today. Deconstruction results from one or more crises in a person's life. When the people in this movement leave or turn away from the authority of scripture, their final authority is "self," which leads to doubt, but it's not just intellectual doubt. When a person puts himself as his authority, then scripture takes a backseat, and is finally rejected.

Childers and Barnett maintain deconstruction can take different routes: "reform" Christianity to suit themselves. Barnett reminds us that "this is not a new problem," it is the same as Adam and Eve in the garden. The authors remind us that "the church needs to wake up". Chrisitians need to remind people involved in the deconstruction movement, "objective truths can be known, but those in this movement don't think they can be proven to be true." Childers & Barnett recommend that we try to stay in people's lives. (Chris Fabry Show, Moody Radio, November 16, 2023; The Deconstruction of Christianity, Alisa Childers and Tim Barnett).

"AND BE NOT CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD, BUT BE YE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND, THAT YE MAY PROVE WHAT IS THAT GOOD, AND ACCEPTABLE, AND PERFECT, WILL OF GOD." ROMANS 12:2

Recently, Charles Morris on his radio program "Haven Today," interviewed Brandon Kimber, who wrote the book, American Gospel:Christ Crucified. The book deals with the deconstruction movement, the post-modern world, progressive Christianity, and post Christians, Exvangelicals, and nons. Kimber stated that people walking away from the faith in favor of an alternative gospel, a false gospel is a growing trend. These people seem to want a god created in their own image. Kimber mentioned that this "seeker-sensitive approach distorts the message and robs the gospel of its power. Some people in this group don't like that God poured all sin on Jesus, which includes people like William Paul Young, who is a progressive." Kimber also mentioned that we live in a "post-modern world that denies truth and twists words." Kimber asked, "How do we share the word of God with those who deny it?" Those in progressive Christianity, according to Kimber, say that "God requires justice to forgive and that is cosmic child abuse." Progressives cite Romans 3, "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Kimber states, "Many reject the Christian faith now, but they need to hear the true gospel. They need Christ, not just to love God."

On Episode 3 of Charles Morris' programs he asked, "What is Progressive Christianity?" "It means postmodernism and historical Christianity have collided to produce this crisis," according to Alisha Childers and Tim Barnett. They continued, "It's unhelpful to call it deconstruction; it's actually walking away from the faith." When Morris asked, "How did we get there?" Childers and Barnett responded, "Through the emergent church movement, skepticism and abandonment of certainty." Morris reminded the listening audience that every verse in the Bible is inspired by God.

ALL SCRIPTURE IS GIVEN BY INSPIRATION OF GOD, AND IS PROFITABLE FOR DOCTRINE, FOR REPROOF, FOR CORRECTION, FOR INSTRUCTION IN RIGHTEOUSNESS, THAT THE MAN OF GOD MAY BE PERFECT, THOROUGHLY FURNISHED UNTO ALL GOOD WORKS." 2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17.

In Episode 4 Morris asks, "What is holiness?" Morris stated that "too many are walking away from churches, and 20-30% are millennials. Some have deconstructed into atheism." Alisa Childers said holiness has been redefined to mean unity between people, which is the wrong definition. 1 Thessalonians 4:7, tells us "For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness." Morris talked about sanctification: increasingly a Christian's life should become holy in all you do (Jesus: "For their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they themselves may also be sanctified in truth." John 17:19). (Haven Today, Charles Morris, week of March 14, 2024).

On March 17, 2024, an article appeared in World Net Daily written by their staff, entitled "Top Scripture Group Blocked from Handing Out Free Bibles." Gideons International was blocked from its mission by a Georgia hospital. Sources report it is because of leftist ideology involving "diversity, equity, and inclusion." A report from Daily Wire stated the issue is happening at the Phoebe Putney Health System Corporation, which provides health services to "100's of 1000's of people over 40 Georgia counties." The Daily Wire reported, "Gideons hasn't had its Bibles in the system's hospitals for months after maintaining a working relationship for years." The question being raised is why "inclusion practices would be used to exclude Christians from sharing Bibles with those who are sick or on their deathbed?"

The Gideons date back to 1899 and have handed out more than 2 billion Bibles in more than 95 languages in 200 countries and territories, according to the Daily Wire report. Many people see the group's work mostly in the Bibles found in hotel rooms.

The Daily Wire report quoted a source familiar with the situation that said that Gideons were first restricted during the response to COVID from entering Phoebe. Gideons were not let back after COVID restrictions were relaxed. The Daily Wire report noted that the company took a "leftward drift" after Scott Steiner, CEO, was brought on staff several years ago."Steiner is a member of a Georgia Diversity Council, which describes itself as the 'premier resource for diversity best practices and leadership development in the state of Georgia," the report noted.

A few months ago, 5th Circuit Judge James Ho called out discrimination against "religious conservatives" on college campuses during his lecture at the Heritage Foundation. Judge Ho stated, "The real problem on college campuses is rampant, blatant discrimination against disfavored viewpoints." Judge Ho said, "The same mindset also undermines the Third branch of government." Judge Ho won't hire clerks from Stanford Law after they shouted down a fellow 5th Circuit Judge. Judge Ho stated, "There is viewpoint discrimination linked to proHamas protests at colleges nationwide." ("Federal Judge Calls Out 'toxic' discrimination against 'religious conservatives', Subtitle: 'Expressing traditional Viewpoints gets you vilified', World Net Daily News Services, October 26, 2023).

Is anti-Christian discrimination on the rise in America? John Whitehead of the Rutherford Institute sued the county over discrimination of a Christian Study Center. "The First Amendment not only affirms the right to religious freedom for people of all faiths, but it also requires that the government treat all faiths equally and not favoring or disfavoring one over the other," according to John Whitehead. The government exempts other religious organizations from property taxes, but sends bills to the Christian Study Center.

A trial on the fight to exempt the Christian Study Center from taxes will be scheduled in the future. John Whitehead stated, "This is the slippery slope that affects us all; whether . . . religious freedom, free speech or privacy. If the government is allowed to deny freedom to one segment of the citizenry, it will eventually extend that tyranny to all citizens." (World Net Daily, "Government Sued Over its Anti-Christian Discrimination," Bob Unruh, October 26, 2023).

It seems that most of the issues conservative Christians are dealing with are connected to the changes taking place in our culture. Over time increasing numbers of people are walking away from their churches and even leaving their faith. In this post-modern world some are looking for an alternative or even a false gospel. Some of the new leftist ideology, including "Diversity, Equity and Inclusion" doesn't make room for Christian organizations, like the Gideons. Anti-Christian discrimination against religious conservatives appears to be on the rise.

It seems to many believers that we were warned by Jesus that situations would grow more challenging before His return. We are also told to stay the course, and pray for and try to reach others with the gospel.

"HERE IS THE PERSEVERANCE OF THE SAINTS WHO KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD AND THEIR FAITH IN JESUS." REVELATION 14:12



Moments of Truth

By Rev. David Lewis

Critical theorists teach two false gospels—depending on the group to which they say a person belongs. Salvation for a person in an "oppressed" minority group requires them being "woke" and relentlessly pushing to overthrow "white privilege" and "systemic racism."

For those in an oppressor group—Salvation requires a perpetual feeling of "white guilt," a life of endless apologies, reparations, and affirmative actions, as well as the mortification of all microaggressions of sexism, racism, ageism, ableism, cisgenderism, colonialism, misogyny, patriarchy, and toxic masculinity.

As a Christian I choose to reject critical theory and its subdivisions of Gender Studies, Feminist Studies, Critical Race Theory, Intersectionality, and Identity Politics. I choose instead to turn to God's infallible and easily understood Word—adhering only to His definitions of right-eousness, sin, justice, guilt, grace, repentance, forgiveness, and sanctification.



James Garfield, America's 20th president, had the answer to America's problems of today. While still a Congressman, he said that "now more than ever before, the people are responsible for the character of their Congress. If that body be ignorant, reckless, and corrupt, it is because the people tolerate ignorance, recklessness, and corruption.

If it be intelligent, brave, and pure, it is because the people demand these high qualities to represent them in the national legislature.

If the next centennial does not find us a great nation, it will be because those who represent the enterprise, the culture, and the morality of the nation do not aid in controlling the political forces."

President Garfield was assassinated less than a year into his first term as president. We'll never know what kind of a president he would have been, but his words on the state of our nation ring just as loud and true now as they did almost 150 years ago.

Take heed, America.

Our mission through the broadcast of In Defense of Truth and the publication of The Defender newsletter is to earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints (Jude 3). Our vision today is just as strong as it was back in 1963 when Dr. John Dekker began this outreach. We pray that you will continue to stand with us as we hold true to God's holy Word.

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Wednesday Evening Bible Study	7:00 pm
Bonfire, Friday, April 12th	7-9 pm