

Understanding Christian Nationalism

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Series Introduction: Understanding Christian Nationalism

Christ Before Country — A Call to Discernment in an Age of Blurred Banners

Let me be clear from the outset: I am not anti-American. I cherish the freedoms this country has afforded us. I honor the blood that was shed to give us the liberty to open a Bible, preach on a street corner, and gather in worship without government interference. I do not look upon American history with disdain, and I am not blind to the impact that Judeo-Christian values have had on the foundations of our laws, institutions, and national conscience. I love this country—but I love Jesus Christ far more.

This series is not an attack on patriotism. Patriotism is a healthy and even commendable sentiment when it doesn't replace devotion to Christ. But there is a **fine, often invisible line** where patriotism crosses into idolatry. And that's the line too many Christians in this generation are being led across—sometimes by their own churches, preachers, and influencers cloaked in red, white, and blue. What we are witnessing today is not just patriotism. It is the rise of something more dangerous and deceptive: **Christian Nationalism**.

Christian Nationalism, at its core, is the fusion of **national identity with religious authority**—a view that equates America with God's chosen nation, the Constitution with Scripture, and political allegiance with spiritual obedience. In doing so, it subtly replaces the Gospel with a pseudo-gospel of cultural dominance and legislative morality. It doesn't ask you to lay down your life for Christ—it asks you to fight for "Christian" America. The cross becomes an accessory to the flag. The church becomes a campaign rally. And the mission shifts from preaching Christ crucified to preserving "Christian values" through political force.

I want to say this plainly: not all "Christian values" are the same as **Christian doctrine**, and not all calls to "return to God" are rooted in the **Gospel of grace**. A moral nation is not the same as a **saved nation**. You can clean up the culture and still go to Hell. You can put prayer back in schools, hang the Ten Commandments in every courthouse, and even

mandate biblical literacy—and still reject the cross of Christ. If morality could save a people, Israel would never have needed a Messiah.

This series will not mince words. We are living in a time where people are being conditioned to follow a **form of godliness that denies the power thereof** (2 Timothy 3:5)—where Scripture is weaponized for political gain, and pastors preach more about ballots than about the Blood. We're seeing the slow but steady replacement of evangelism with activism, of revival with legislation, of spiritual discernment with emotional nationalism.

But our kingdom is not of this world (John 18:36). We are strangers and pilgrims (Hebrews 11:13). Our citizenship is in Heaven (Philippians 3:20). The Bible never called us to "conquer" a nation in Christ's name—it called us to be **ambassadors** for the Gospel, pleading with men to be reconciled to God (2 Corinthians 5:20). We are not electing saviors. We are preaching the Savior. And whenever the church forgets this distinction, **apostasy is not far behind.**

So, no—I am not against America. But I am deeply concerned that a growing number of Christians are being swept up into a **false revival** that worships country more than Christ. They sing hymns on Sunday and wave banners on Monday, not realizing the Jesus they claim to serve never ran for office, never built a political coalition, and never tried to "take back Rome." He laid down His life, told us to do the same, and said **His kingdom was not of this world.**

This 12-part series will walk through the heart of Christian Nationalism—not to nitpick patriotic believers, but to hold up the Word of God as our final authority in all matters. We will compare the movement's language, methods, and goals against Scripture—not party platforms, not historical quotes, not popular pundits. Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice." We want to test every voice—including the ones draped in stars and stripes—against the Word of the Good Shepherd.

If you've ever felt uneasy about the rising tide of Christian political fervor... If you've questioned whether this new wave of "religious patriotism" is the same thing as biblical faith... If you've felt like something's off but couldn't put your finger on it... this series is for you.

Let's open our Bibles and our eyes—and remember that before we are Americans, conservatives, independents, or anything else, we are **blood-bought children of the living God.** And if the whole world goes red, white, and blue while rejecting the crimson blood that cleanses sin, it has still missed the only hope that matters.

Christ alone. Scripture alone. Grace alone. That's our platform.

Let the truth divide, if it must.

1 of 12: The Gospel or the Flag? – Introduction to Christian Nationalism

“No man can serve two masters.”

Yet here we are, watching the Church try to balance a blood-stained cross in one hand and a star-spangled banner in the other. Welcome to the strange world of **Christian Nationalism**, the new golden calf of American evangelicalism, where the pulpit is replaced with a podium, the Great Commission is reduced to a voting bloc, and the Lamb of God is expected to run for office.

This ain't a drill, folks. This is **idolatry dressed in red, white, and blue**. It's revival without repentance. It's Scripture wrapped around a sword. And if you think this is harmless patriotism, then buckle up. Because we're about to rip the mask off the great counterfeit gospel of our time: the gospel of the flag.

WHAT IS CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM?

Christian Nationalism (CN) is **not** Christianity. It's a **political ideology** that masquerades as religion. It teaches that America is a "Christian nation" by divine right and that it's our duty as believers to restore it to its so-called biblical roots—through legislation, policy, and raw political power.

It says America is a chosen nation, like Israel. It says the Constitution is almost inspired. It turns founding fathers into prophets and the Capitol into a cathedral. It demands loyalty to country as proof of loyalty to Christ.

But it ain't Christianity. It's a **false gospel**, one that swaps the message of Calvary for the machinery of Caesar.

Christian Nationalism wants you to believe that God and country are the same thing. That to defend your political party is to defend the faith. That to question American exceptionalism is to question God Himself. It is, as one sociologist put it, "**political idolatry dressed up as religious orthodoxy.**"

PATRIOTISM VS. CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM

Now let's not get it twisted. There's nothing wrong with **patriotism**. Thank God for the freedom to preach the gospel. Thank God for those who laid down their lives in wars so I can stand in a pulpit and raise a Bible.

But patriotism says, "I love my country." Christian Nationalism says, "My country **is** the kingdom of God."

Patriotism is grateful. CN is **entitled**. Patriotism waves the flag in July. CN **bows** to it in January and legislates it by November.

See the difference?

When a man loves his country, he prays for its leaders and obeys its laws (unless they defy God). When a man worships his country, he turns the Sermon on the Mount into a campaign slogan and the blood of the martyrs into a military parade.

Christian Nationalists don't just want to live in America—they want to **own** it, **baptize** it, and **lord** it over everyone who disagrees. If you resist their agenda, you're not just un-American; you're un-Christian. That's their theology.

WHY THIS MOVEMENT IS DANGEROUS

Christian Nationalism is **dangerous** because it does three things:

1. It TWISTS the Gospel

It takes the good news of Jesus Christ and turns it into a **political platform**. Suddenly, Jesus didn't come to save sinners; He came to save the Republic. He didn't die to make you righteous—He died to make you Republican.

It's heresy. And it's sneaky.

They still talk about God. They still quote the Bible. But everything is **reinterpreted** through the lens of national identity. Jesus becomes a mascot, not a Master. The cross becomes a backdrop, not a battleground.

2. It DIVIDES the Body

You want to see a church split faster than lightning? Start preaching Christian Nationalism. You'll have people leaving out the front and the back.

Why? Because this movement doesn't unite the Body of Christ—it divides it **along party lines**. It alienates believers of different races, backgrounds, and countries. It tells them, "You're only part of us if you vote like us."

It's not about faith. It's about power. And Christ died to bring peace between God and man—not to help you win a Senate seat.

3. It PREPARES the Way for the ANTICHRIST

Oh yes. Let me say it.

Christian Nationalism is the **perfect breeding ground** for the coming false messiah. Think about it:

- A nation hungry for a leader who promises greatness
- A people already conditioned to equate political power with divine favor
- A Church that can't tell the difference between the voice of Christ and the voice of a candidate

Friend, the spirit of Antichrist is political, religious, and deceptive. And CN rolls out the red carpet for him.

WHAT THIS SERIES WILL EXPOSE

This is just the **first of twelve**. We're going to spend the next eleven essays **shattering the altar of Christian Nationalism**, one brick at a time. Here's what's coming:

Essay 2: A Kingdom Not of This World – Jesus and Political Power

We'll look at how Jesus rejected every offer to seize political power—even when it was offered to Him by Satan himself.

Essay 3: The Real Israel vs. the American Dream

We'll destroy the false teaching that America is the "new Israel," and explain how CN hijacks Old Testament theology.

Essay 4: Wolves in Red, White & Blue – False Teachers of the Movement

Time to name names. We'll call out pastors, authors, and influencers who have twisted Scripture to serve political goals.

Essay 5: God's Judgment Begins at the House of God – Not the Capitol

We'll show that the problem in America isn't the White House — it's the church house. Judgment starts here.

Essay 6: Render Unto Caesar – A Biblical View of Government

We'll explore how Christians are to interact with worldly governments without being seduced by them.

Essay 7: *The Cross Cannot Fly Beside the Flag*

We'll examine why the message of Christ is incompatible with political identity.

Essay 8: *When the Church Married Rome – A Historical Warning*

From Constantine to the Catholic Church to the Crusades—what happens when the Church gets in bed with the State?

Essay 9: *Christian Soldiers or Political Activists?*

We'll expose how the spiritual warfare of Ephesians 6 gets downgraded into political temper tantrums.

Essay 10: *The Coming Religious Beast – Foreshadowing Revelation 13*

How CN is preparing the world for the one-world religion of the Tribulation.

Essay 11: *The Patriot Pastor Problem – Hirelings in the Pulpit*

We'll talk about how many pastors have sold their birthright for a bowl of electoral stew.

Essay 12: *Our Citizenship is in Heaven – The True Identity of the Believer*

We end with the beautiful truth: Our Kingdom is not of this world, and our allegiance belongs to a returning King.

FINAL CHARGE: WHOSE KINGDOM ARE YOU BUILDING?

Let me ask you, Christian: **What are you fighting for?**

Is it a nation that will burn with the rest of the world when the trumpet sounds? Or is it the everlasting Kingdom of Jesus Christ?

Christian Nationalism is a cheap counterfeit. It offers you the illusion of power, but it robs you of the power of the cross. It gives you earthly victories but leaves you spiritually bankrupt. It gives you a banner to wave, but not a cross to bear.

If your hope is in the Constitution, your hope is too low. If your gospel needs a politician to survive, your gospel is too weak. If your Christianity is only valid when your party wins, your Christianity is **counterfeit**.

The early Church had no freedom of speech, no votes, no political parties, and no Supreme Court appointments. And yet they **turned the world upside down**. How? With the pure gospel of a crucified and risen Savior.

They preached **Jesus**, not Caesar. They died as **martyrs**, not lobbyists. They advanced a **Kingdom**, not a country.

So here we go, friend. Buckle in. We are going to tear down the idol of Christian Nationalism. We are going to call it what it is: **a lie**. And we are going to point every reader, every patriot, every confused Christian, back to the only King worth following.

Not the elephant. Not the donkey. But the Lamb.

The flag may wave for a moment. But the gospel endures forever.

Let's go to war.

2 of 12: A Kingdom Not of This World – Jesus and Political Power

“My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight...” (John 18:36)

And with that one sentence, Jesus Christ blew a hole clean through every political movement that dares to hijack His name. Let me say it loud for the folks waving their Bibles in one hand and campaign signs in the other: **Jesus Christ is not running for office**. Never has. Never will.

He didn't ride into Jerusalem on a warhorse—He came on a donkey. He didn't overthrow Rome with soldiers—He overthrew sin with a cross. He didn't campaign—He **preached**. He didn't promise tax reform or cultural dominance—He promised persecution, suffering, and a home in a kingdom **not of this world**.

So why are so many people trying to turn Him into a political mascot?

THE DEVIL'S KINGDOM OFFER (Matthew 4)

Let's go back to the wilderness. Matthew 4. Jesus is fasting for forty days. The devil shows up. The final temptation? Satan takes Jesus up to a high mountain, shows Him **all the kingdoms of the world**, and says, “All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.”

Now hold on. That's no small offer. This ain't chump change. The devil offers Jesus the crown without the cross. **Power without pain.** Dominion without death. Everything the Christian Nationalists want **right now**, but without submission to God.

And Jesus? He didn't negotiate. He didn't say, "Let's compromise for the greater good." He didn't grab the kingdoms to make Israel great again. He told Satan: "Get thee hence."

That's the same Jesus you claim to follow. The One who turned down **all the world's kingdoms** in order to obey the will of His Father.

Christian Nationalism wants the kingdoms of this world **right now**. Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world."

WHY JESUS REFUSED TO CREATE A POLITICAL EMPIRE

Jesus didn't come to build a better Rome. He didn't come to tweak Caesar's policies. He didn't come to pass laws or boost the GDP.

He came to **bleed and die**.

He told Pilate, "If my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight." And brother, that's the dagger. If you have to **fight**, sue, vote, manipulate, or legislate to protect your so-called kingdom, then you're not building **His** kingdom—you're building **yours**.

When Peter tried to use a sword to defend Jesus in the garden, what happened? Jesus said, "Put it up." And then He healed the guy Peter injured. That's your King. He doesn't need you to storm the Capitol; He needs you to **die to self**.

Everywhere Jesus went, they tried to crown Him. Make Him king. Start a revolution. And every single time, He vanished, refused, or rebuked them.

Because His mission wasn't to change **the politics**. It was to change **hearts**.

WHAT CHRISTIAN NATIONALISTS GET DEAD WRONG

Christian Nationalism fundamentally **misunderstands the mission of Christ**.

They think Jesus came to reclaim America. He came to redeem sinners.

They think Jesus wants to take over Washington. He came to **establish a Kingdom** that doesn't need votes, borders, or bombs.

They think laws will change hearts. Jesus said only **He** can.

They think the Church needs political power to survive. The early church had **no power**, and they turned the world upside down.

Christian Nationalists act like Jesus failed because the world is going to hell. No, friend. The world has always been going to hell. That's why Jesus came. And that's why He's coming **again**.

And when He does, He won't need your ballot box. He'll come with a **sword in His mouth** and a **crown on His head**.

PILATE'S QUESTION: ARE YOU A KING?

John 18:33–38. Pilate asks Jesus, "Art thou the King of the Jews?"

Jesus says, in effect, "I am a King, but not the kind you're thinking."

Pilate thought in **political categories**: taxes, land, power. Jesus spoke in **eternal terms**: truth, salvation, and spiritual dominion.

Pilate wanted to know if Jesus was a threat to Caesar. Jesus was a threat to **Satan**.

Christian Nationalism, on the other hand, still wants Jesus to sit on Caesar's throne.

But Jesus already told us: "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." He doesn't need to run for office. **He already reigns**.

WHY THIS MATTERS RIGHT NOW

We are living in a time where churches are more obsessed with elections than evangelism. Where sermons sound like stump speeches. Where pastors care more about court rulings than Christ's return.

And let me tell you something, loud and clear:

The Gospel of Jesus Christ does not need government permission to be preached.

The blood of Christ doesn't run red, white, and blue. It runs scarlet. And it's the only thing that can cleanse this land—not new laws, not Supreme Court victories, not cultural dominance.

If your Christianity **only works when your guy is in power**, then it ain't Christianity. It's idolatry.

If your faith dies when your party loses, then your faith was in politics—not in Christ.

IN CONCLUSION: WHICH KINGDOM ARE YOU LIVING FOR?

Jesus rejected Satan's offer. Jesus refused the people's crown. Jesus rebuked Peter's sword. Jesus told Pilate, "My kingdom is not of this world."

And now He turns to you.

Are you trying to build a kingdom **He already said He doesn't want**? Are you following the crucified King or campaigning for a political Christ who doesn't exist?

The Church is not called to storm palaces. We're called to storm **hell**.

Not with votes. But with the **Gospel**.

And until the Church repents of trying to grab earthly power, we will continue to **lose our spiritual authority**.

So choose. The ballot or the Bible? The crown or the cross?

As for me? **I choose the Kingdom that cannot be shaken. I choose the King who already won. I choose Jesus.**

Let every other kingdom fall.

3 of 12: The Real Israel vs. The American Dream – Exposing a Theological Hijacking

"For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel." (Romans 9:6)

There it is. Clear as a bell. And yet some folks still can't see straight. They've gone and slapped a Star of David on the Statue of Liberty and confused Washington, D.C. with Jerusalem. Welcome to the world of **theological identity theft** where America is the "New Israel," the Constitution is the "New Covenant," and every Supreme Court ruling is viewed as either divine judgment or prophetic fulfillment.

This essay is a call to **wake up** and **grow up**. We're pulling the veil off one of the most dangerous delusions of the Christian Nationalist movement: the **misuse of the Old Testament nation of Israel to justify dominion over America**.

AMERICA AIN'T ISRAEL, AND NEVER WAS

Let's get this straight right now: **America is not Israel.** Not spiritually. Not theologically. Not covenantally. Not prophetically.

Israel was a nation **founded by God Himself** through a direct covenant. God called Abraham, established His law with Moses, gave them a land, a temple, and a priesthood. He ruled over them directly and sent prophets to warn and correct them. Their blessings and curses were laid out in Deuteronomy 28 — crystal clear.

Meanwhile, America was founded by men who, though influenced by Christian ethics, still mixed Enlightenment rationalism, Freemasonry, and a good dose of Deism. Washington didn't part a Red Sea. Jefferson wasn't hearing from heaven. And Benjamin Franklin was too busy trying to summon lightning to bother with Leviticus.

But Christian Nationalists have tried to force a square peg into a round theological hole. They twist verses meant for a **covenant nation** and slap them on modern-day America. "If my people, which are called by my name..." becomes a rally cry at political prayer breakfasts, as if the U.S. was God's bride.

Folks, the only nation God has a covenant with today is the **Body of Christ** — and that's not a country with borders, but a people born again by the blood of Jesus.

DOMINION THEOLOGY: THE FALSE KINGDOM NOW

Dominion theology is the rotten fruit of this mix-up. It teaches that the Church must take over the world's systems — government, education, media, and economics — and enforce biblical laws to usher in Christ's return.

Wrong kingdom. Wrong timing. Wrong mission.

Jesus didn't tell us to take dominion over political thrones. He told us to preach the gospel to every creature. Our commission isn't to conquer geography — it's to reach **souls**.

But dominionists say we're supposed to take over America and "bring the Kingdom now." They quote Old Testament civil laws and try to apply them to modern culture. They want to reestablish Mosaic codes and call it "biblical justice."

That's not Christianity. That's **legalistic theocracy**. It doesn't build the Church. It builds a prison where Jesus becomes a state mascot and grace gets handcuffed to legislation.

These folks are trying to resurrect the Old Testament theocracy without the temple, without the Levitical priesthood, and without the Shekinah glory. Good luck with that.

REPLACEMENT THEOLOGY: THE OTHER DITCH

On the flip side of Dominionism is **Replacement Theology**, the idea that the Church has replaced Israel entirely and that all the promises to Israel now belong to the Church in some spiritualized form.

So in this view, America becomes the "New Israel" by proxy because we're the home of the "Christian majority."

Wrong again.

Yes, Israel was set aside for a time. Yes, God is dealing with the Gentiles during the Church Age. But Paul said **blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in** (Romans 11:25).

There is a future for national, ethnic Israel. The Church didn't replace her — we were **grafted in** (Romans 11). And when God is done calling out a people for His name from among the Gentiles, **He will turn again to Israel** (Acts 15:14-16).

America? She's not on the prophetic map. Not even a footnote.

THE DISPENSATIONAL DIVIDE: CLARIFYING THE COVENANTS

Here's where we get real. If you don't understand the dispensations in Scripture, you'll always mess up Israel, the Church, and prophecy.

God deals with different people in different ways at different times.

- In the Old Testament, God dealt with Israel under the Law.
- In the Church Age, He deals with all nations under grace.
- In the Tribulation, He'll deal with Israel again to fulfill Daniel's 70th week.

You can't mix the covenants. You can't steal Israel's laws and slap them on Uncle Sam. You can't yank promises from Zechariah and pretend they apply to Washington.

When God said He would gather Israel again from the nations, He wasn't talking about an election cycle. He was talking about a real regathering of **real Jews** in a **real land** with a **real Messiah** ruling from a real Jerusalem.

THE AMERICAN DREAM VS. THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Let's just come out and say it: The American Dream and the Kingdom of God are not the same.

The American Dream says:

- Build wealth
- Secure freedom
- Pursue happiness
- Defend your rights

The Kingdom of God says:

- Lose your life
- Serve your neighbor
- Lay up treasures in heaven
- Suffer for righteousness' sake

The American Dream builds comfort. The Kingdom of God builds **character**.

You can't seek first the Kingdom **and** cling to a constitution like it's holy writ. One is eternal. The other is temporary.

And no, God is not obligated to bless America because of its founding documents. He blesses obedience, not historical romanticism. And until this nation repents, no amount of flag-waving, pro-life rallies, or National Day of Prayer breakfasts will bring revival.

FINAL THOUGHTS: DON'T CONFUSE YOUR CITIZENSHIP

Your U.S. passport isn't a stamp of divine favor. Your voter registration doesn't determine your eternal standing. And Capitol Hill is not Mount Zion.

Stop calling down Deuteronomy 28 on a nation God never made a covenant with. Stop trying to revive a theocracy Jesus **abolished with His blood**. Stop trading your heavenly citizenship for a slice of earthly dominion.

There is only one Israel, and God isn't done with her. There is only one Church, and she's not called to rule nations — she's called to **preach the gospel** to them.

Don't get suckered into some pseudo-patriotic, half-baked theology that makes America the hope of the world.

Jesus Christ is the hope of the world. And His kingdom is **not of this world**.

4 of 12: Wolves in Red, White & Blue – False Teachers in the Christian Nationalism Movement

From the “Understanding Christian Nationalism” Series

You want to know what's more dangerous than a wolf in sheep's clothing? A wolf in **stars and stripes**, preaching like Jeremiah while flying a flag over the pulpit and hiding a **political campaign platform** in his back pocket. Christian Nationalism isn't just bad theology—it's spiritual identity theft. The Gospel is being hijacked. Hijacked, twisted, and shoved into a ballot box, while the blood of Christ gets traded for red hats, right-wing applause, and rotten dominion theology.

Buckle up, because this ain't no sugarcoated Sunday school flannelgraph. This is a fire-and-brimstone autopsy on the slick-talking celebrity preachers who wear patriotism like a clerical robe and use Scripture like a weapon in a political war.

False Teachers Dressed as Patriots

The most dangerous threat to the body of Christ doesn't prance around in drag or chant Marxist slogans in the streets. No sir, the real wolves preach on Sundays. They stand behind pulpits, smile for cameras, sell books, and ride the wave of patriotic hysteria right into your living room—and your wallet.

They speak of “revival,” but it's got more to do with *voter turnout* than Holy Ghost conviction. They shout about *repentance*, but it's for Democrats, not sinners. The Gospel gets swapped for a platform, and Jesus becomes little more than a campaign mascot.

Let's just name them, shall we? If it makes you squirm, good. That's conviction trying to break through your Fox News conditioning.

1. Lance Wallnau

Strutting around like Moses 2.0 with a “Seven Mountains Mandate,” preaching that Christians are called to **take over government, media, education**, and every other tower of Babylon. This isn't the Great Commission—this is a hostile corporate takeover draped in

Scripture and spray-painted MAGA red. He's not making disciples—he's building a theocratic empire with himself on the board of directors.

2. Sean Feucht

A worship leader turned nationalistic ringmaster. Puts on fog-filled rock concerts in the name of Jesus, but it's more Woodstock than worship. Between the American flags and the fireworks, the message of the *cross* gets lost. It's emotionalism, political rage, and pop culture flair masquerading as revival. What revival ends with chants of "USA!" and not weeping over *sin*?

3. Charlie Kirk

A political operative disguised as a Christian leader. He reads from voter guides, not Bibles. Ask him to explain the Gospel, and you'll get a midterm election speech. That's not a pastor. That's a **salesman for Caesar**, using Scripture to fundraise and strategize.

4. Paula White

The prosperity queen who tried to conjure African angels like Pokémon during an election night meltdown. She's the unholy cocktail of **prosperity trash, witchcraft incantations**, and red-state theology. If Jezebel wore a Trump 2024 shirt and had a show on TBN, this would be it.

5. Greg Locke

The loudest mouth in American Christianity. Blends Bible verses and ballot fraud conspiracies like he's blending a smoothie of **zeal without knowledge**. The man's pulpit has become a political stage, and his Bible is duct-taped to a pocket Constitution. One minute it's Jesus, the next it's January 6th.

These are not isolated incidents—they're symptoms of a deeper disease. A cancer in the American church that confuses **revival with rallies**, and turns pulpits into podiums for party politics. These men are wolves—**patriotic, well-dressed, and charismatic wolves**—and they're eating the flock alive.

The Sermon on the Stage

Modern sermons are shifting. The cross is out. The Constitution is in. Jefferson quotes get more airtime than Jesus. Pews look more like town hall meetings, and pastors sound like campaign surrogates.

Watch carefully. They're butchering Scripture to fit their agenda like a butcher hacks meat for the grill:

"If my people, which are called by my name..."

Used like it was written to the Republican National Convention instead of ancient Israel.

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord..."

Stitched into flags and T-shirts as if it's God's endorsement of the **American Dream**, not a **Psalm about Israel** under a theocracy.

This is **blasphemy wrapped in red, white, and blue**. It's a bastardized gospel that replaces the cross with the Constitution. It's **Babylon dressed like Bethlehem**—and it's leading millions straight into deception.

Political Revivals: A Gospel Without a Cross

Let me be clear—**real revival doesn't come from rallies, conferences**, or national *days of prayer* sponsored by politicians who couldn't spell "Gethsemane" if you spotted them the G.

Revival starts on the knees. It starts in tears. It starts when *sinners see themselves for what they are before a holy God*—not when the choir sings Lee Greenwood and everyone claps like they're at a Fourth of July barbecue.

Today's so-called "revivals" are **flesh on fire, not the Spirit descending**. They crank up the volume, whip up the crowd, and walk out to applause. But where is the **brokenness over sin**? Where's the altar call that leads to death to self?

Instead of holy ground, we get hype. Instead of repentance, we get **Republicanism in revival drag**. But God's not fooled—and neither are the true sheep.

The Dangerous Blend: God and Government

Let's get one thing straight: **you can love your country and still be a Christian**. Sure, pray for your leaders. Vote with discernment. Be salt and light. But don't you dare take a **political platform** and try to slap a "Jesus Approved" sticker on it.

Remember Matthew 4? Satan offered Jesus the kingdoms of this world. **Christ refused**. Why? Because His kingdom is not of this world (John 18:36). But today's Christian Nationalists are accepting everything Christ turned down.

They want **power**, not purity. **Influence**, not intercession. **Laws**, not love. They've made a golden calf out of the American flag and are dancing around it while claiming to be in revival.

Wolves Preach Safety, but Lead to Slaughter

Paul warned the elders in Acts 20: "Grievous wolves shall enter in among you, not sparing the flock." We quote that verse like it's for another time. It's not. It's now. The wolves are **inside the pulpits**, wearing suits, quoting Scripture, and grinning for cameras.

These men offer comfort, not confrontation. They promise blessing, not burden. They tell you America will be great again if you just vote right—but they never mention **hell, the cross, or blood**.

They are **political therapists**, not **spiritual surgeons**. And people love them because they preach safety while leading to **slaughter**.

A Remnant Must Cry Out

Don't get discouraged, Christian. Elijah thought he was alone, too. But God had **7,000 who hadn't bowed to Baal**. There's always a remnant. And if you're reading this, maybe you're part of it.

You won't find the remnant on TV. You won't hear them at the megachurch political rally. But you'll find them in prayer closets, on street corners, in open-air pulpits, crying out:

"Thus saith the Lord!"

They're not here to flip elections. They're here to flip hearts. They're not after legislation. They're after **souls**. They're not holding revival in the White House. They're begging for it in their basements.

The Final Word: Come Out From Among Them

If your pastor preaches **America more than Christ**—RUN.

If your worship leader waves **flags more than holy hands**—RUN.

If your favorite influencer quotes **Fox News more than the Bible**—RUN.

Come out from among them, and be ye separate. Stop looking for revival in Washington. It's not there. It never was.

The wolves have entered, dressed in stars and stripes, smiling wide, quoting verses out of context, and deceiving the simple. But they're still wolves. And if you're a sheep, you better wake up before you get eaten.

This isn't about political sides. This is about **truth vs. deception, Gospel vs. nationalism, Christ vs. Caesar.**

This is your warning shot.

"Take heed that no man deceive you." (Matthew 24:4)

5 of 12: God's Judgment Begins at the House of God – Not the Capitol

"For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God..." – 1 Peter 4:17

The Rotten Floorboards Under the Steeple

Let's settle this up front. America's biggest problem isn't the **White House**—it's the **church house**. It's not the **Supreme Court**, it's the **Sunday School**. It's not Biden, it's not Trump—it's the lukewarm, limp-wristed, Laodicean church that's been shacking up with the world while pretending to be the bride of Christ. You want to know why the nation's falling apart? Step over the broken altar and look straight into the sanctuary mirror.

You want to talk about riots? It didn't begin on January 6th—it began when the pulpit traded in the **sword of the Spirit** for a **fog machine and an American flag**. When preachers decided to be politicians and worship leaders became pop stars. That's when the house began to rot.

This world is a mess because the very ones called to be **salt and light** went bland and burned out. Peter wasn't stuttering when he wrote under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost: **"Judgment must begin at the house of God."** Not the Capitol. Not the Kremlin. Not the courts. The **church**.

A Misdiagnosis That Will Kill You

Christian Nationalism is like a back-alley quack pushing counterfeit cures. America's on life support, bleeding out spiritually—and they're prescribing **flags, rallies, and political saviors**. But God already gave the diagnosis and the prescription:

“If **my people**, which are called by **my name**, shall humble themselves, and pray...” – 2 Chronicles 7:14

He didn't say if the Republicans get their act together. He didn't say “take back the House and Senate.” He said **His people**—not the politicians, but the preachers and pew-sitters—need to **get on their faces and repent**.

The plague is in the camp of Israel, not in the tents of the Philistines. Judgment isn't falling because of drag queens or CNN. It's falling because the church forgot how to blush. The **Holy God of Heaven** won't wink at sin in the camp just because we draped it in red, white, and blue.

Political Revival Is a Lie from the Pit

Let me rattle the stained-glass windows for a minute: **There is no such thing as a political revival**.

You can't **legislate** repentance.

You can't **campaign** your way into conviction.

You can't **vote** a man into being born again.

And you sure can't **MAGA** your way into the Millennium.

Every revival in the Bible started when **God's people got right**—not when pagans behaved. Nineveh didn't turn because of laws, but because a man of God thundered judgment. Josiah didn't reform Israel through political activism—he did it because he found the **Book**, read the **Book**, and got broken over the **Book**.

You can fill stadiums, host flag-waving worship nights, and shed crocodile tears at political conventions—but unless the church repents of its **coldness, compromise, and carnality**, the clock's already ticking on divine judgment.

The Pulpit Is the Problem

Let me say it for the back row and the praise team: **The greatest threat to America is not liberalism—it's lukewarm Christianity**.

It's **celebrity pastors** more concerned with TikTok views than Bible truth.

It's **church growth consultants** who wouldn't know revival if it split their pulpit in two. It's **hirelings in skinny jeans** giving motivational talks while hell enlarges herself daily.

God's judgment doesn't fall when **atheists blaspheme**. It falls when the pulpit becomes a **performance stage** and the gospel becomes a **marketing pitch**.

Today's churches care more about **branding than brokenness, influence over intercession**, and **platforms over prayer closets**. We've traded **the upper room** for **the upper hand in politics**, and now the Spirit has left the building—and nobody noticed.

Sinners Gonna Sin – But Saints Should Shine

One more thing the Christian Nationalists don't seem to grasp: **sinners act like sinners**. The lost are going to act lost. They're blind, dead, in bondage. Expecting the world to act saved when they've never been born again is like expecting a corpse to dance.

But what about the saints? What about the church? We've got the **truth**, the **Spirit**, the **new birth**—so why are we acting just as worldly as the world?

When the **church is carnal**, when the **pulpit is politically drunk**, and when the **gospel is neutered into a campaign slogan**, don't be surprised when **judgment rolls in like thunder**.

Revival Isn't Red, White & Blue

Let's paint this clearly:

Real revival doesn't fly a flag—it falls on its face.

It doesn't chant **"USA!"**—it cries **"Woe is me!"**

It doesn't "take back a country"—it gives back a heart.

You want to see this nation turn? Don't look to the platform—look to the **prayer closet**. Don't obsess over **D.C.**—weep over the **Dead Church**. Don't fight **culture wars** while you've lost the **spiritual war within**.

Revival isn't coming to Washington—it's only coming to those who can say,

"Search me, O God, and know my heart." – Psalm 139:23

It's Our Fault – Own It

You want to talk about judgment? It starts with the ones who have the most light. That's **us**.
The **church**.

The **bride of Christ**.

The **blood-washed, Spirit-filled, Bible-believing** people of God.

We're the ones who sold our inheritance for a bowl of political pottage.

We wanted **relevance over righteousness, influence over intimacy, and crowds over conviction**.

Now?

The Spirit has withdrawn.

The lamp is flickering.

And "**Ichabod**" is being written over the stained-glass doors of our megachurches and morality movements.

The Roadmap to Restoration

But it doesn't have to stay this way. There's still time—if we'll stop pointing fingers and start bending knees. If we'll stop cursing the darkness and start cleaning the sanctuary.

It'll cost us.

- **Preachers** who fear God more than cancel culture.
- **Churches** that preach repentance instead of relevance.
- **Believers** who live holy instead of hidden.
- A **Bride** who stops flirting with the world and starts waiting for the Groom.

No more blame games. No more red, white, and blue distractions.

It's time for the house of God to repent.

Because judgment starts **here**.

Conclusion: Clean House Before You Blame the Neighborhood

While the Christian Nationalists are busy trying to take back the neighborhood, God is walking through **His own house**, flipping tables and calling out hypocrisy.

Don't expect Him to fix America if **His own people** won't let Him fix their hearts.

If you're waiting for Washington to get right before revival comes, you've missed the whole point of the gospel. The gospel doesn't change **policies**—it changes **people**. It doesn't crucify the **Left**—it crucifies the **flesh**.

So tear down your red, white, and blue idols.

Get off the political stage.

And get back to the altar—where the **real power still flows**.

“For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God...” – 1 Peter 4:17

And if it starts **here**...

What shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

You better believe it'll be worse.

6 of 12: Render Unto Caesar – What the Bible Really Says About Government

Brother, we've got a mess on our hands today where half the church thinks **Caesar is Jesus** and the other half thinks **Jesus is Caesar**. You walk into a church these days and you can't tell if it's a **sanctuary or a rally**, if that pulpit's for **preaching or politicking**. And God help us, we're losing a whole generation to **flag-waving religion** that knows more about the **Constitution than the covenant**, more about **Congress than the cross**, more about **nationalism than New Birth**.

Let's lay it out **plain, hot, and biblical**.

I. What Romans 13 Really Says (and What It Doesn't)

Romans 13:1–2 says:

"Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God."

Oh, they love that verse. You ever notice how Christian Nationalists treat **Romans 13 like it's the Eleventh Commandment?**

"Submit to the government! Submit to the state!"

But hold on—do you read the rest of the Bible or just **cherry-pick what helps you cozy up to Caesar?**

Paul wasn't writing that with some Christian Emperor on the throne. **Nero** was in power. That's right—**Nero**, the lunatic who **lit believers on fire for sport**. And yet Paul says **submit**. Why? Because **God ordains governments**, even corrupt ones, for **His purposes**. He **raises up kings** and He **knocks them down like bowling pins**.

But what Romans 13 *doesn't* say is just as important. It doesn't say:

- Obey sin.
- Worship the state.
- Trust politicians.

The Bible teaches **submission**, not **idolatry**.
And we've got an **epidemic of idolatry in red, white, and blue**.

II. 1 Peter 2 – Submit Like Jesus

Now Peter, that fiery fisherman turned Apostle, he echoes Paul in 1 Peter 2:13–17:

"Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake..."

But keep reading. He says to do it with **honor** and **fear of God**, *not man*. He doesn't say to bow to wickedness or **play footsie with corruption**. He doesn't say to **put on a MAGA hat and pretend it's a halo**. He doesn't say to **equate a donkey or elephant with the Lion of Judah**.

He says **follow Christ's example**—who **submitted to death at the hands of Rome** but **never bowed to its gods**.

III. Daniel – Resistance in Righteousness

You want a model? Don't look to some Twitter patriot with a cross tattoo and a podcast. Look to **Daniel**.

The man didn't organize a revolt. He didn't start a militia. He didn't declare a Theocracy. He just flat-out **refused to eat Babylon's meat, bow to its idols, or stop praying to his God**.

When the state demanded silence, he **opened the windows**.

When the king made himself god, Daniel said, "**Not today**."

When they threw him to the lions, **God shut their mouths**.

That's **civil disobedience with a spine and a Spirit**—not some **proud-boy rebellion with Bible verses on their ammo boxes**.

IV. Submission and Resistance – Finding the Balance

Yes, God tells us to **submit**. But He also tells us **not to compromise**.

You don't submit to:

- Mandates to **murder babies**.
- Laws that **silence the Gospel**.
- Judges that **redefine marriage**.
- Leaders that **call good evil and evil good**.

There's a **holy tension** here—**submit without surrendering, stand without sinning**.

You pay taxes like Jesus did, but you **don't worship Caesar**.

You honor the king, but you **fear the Lord**.

You respect authority, but you **resist apostasy**.

And here's where **Christian Nationalism flops**: It **erases that tension**. It blends the **crown of thorns with a golden eagle**. It confuses **patriotism with Pentecost, civil duty with spiritual authority**.

V. The Idolatry of the State

Let me tell you, when the church starts chanting **USA** louder than **Amen**, you know something's off.

They've built a **golden calf out of the Constitution**.

They've made **Caesar their messiah** and **America their promised land**.

They've exchanged the **power of the cross** for the **power of a ballot box**.

You think the state is your savior? That's **idolatry**.

You think the president speaks for God? That's **blasphemy**.

You think the Gospel is about preserving America? That's **heresy**.

God is **not running for office**. He already **sits on the throne**.

VI. Biblical Government Isn't Utopia

Read your Bible. God never promised **perfect governments**.

Israel had **Saul**—look how that turned out.

Judah had **Hezekiah**, then **Manasseh**.

Rome had **Caesar**.

And you?

You've got **presidents who lie, congressmen who cheat, and judges who play god**.

But guess what?

You weren't saved to **fix governments**.

You were saved to be **salt and light** in a **rotting, dark world**.

God didn't tell Paul to **fix Rome**. He told him to **preach in it**.

He didn't send Jesus to **overthrow Herod**. He sent Him to **die under his jurisdiction**.

The Gospel's not about building **utopias**. It's about **rescuing sinners**.

VII. Render Unto Caesar – But Give God What's His

Jesus said it clean:

"Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's." (Matthew 22:21)

In other words: **Give Caesar your coins, but give God your soul**.

The flag **didn't bleed for you**. Jesus did.

The Constitution **didn't rise from the grave**. Jesus did.

The nation **won't judge your soul**. Jesus will.

So when the state says **pay taxes**—pay 'em.

When the state says **bow**—say **no**.

When the state says **stay silent**—**preach louder**.

VIII. Summary: Stay Out of the Ditch

Two ditches you gotta avoid:

1. Anarchy –

The rebels who think they're holy because they hate the state. They call everyone tyrants, but their heart's just full of **pride and hate**.

2. Idolatry –

The Christian Nationalists who **baptize every political movement** and mistake **patriotism for sanctification**.

7 of 12: The Cross Cannot Fly Beside the Flag

You can't nail Jesus to a tree and wave a flag from the top of it at the same time. But that's exactly what Christian Nationalism is trying to do. It's trying to hijack the Gospel, duct-tape it to a political pole, and march it down Main Street like it's a Fourth of July float.

Let's get this straight: the **Cross** is not a sidekick to the **Constitution**. It's not a mascot for your midterms. It's not a campaign prop. It's a bloody, rugged, splintered execution stake where the innocent Son of God bore the wrath of Almighty God to save rebels—not Republicans or Democrats, not progressives or patriots, but **sinners**.

Theological Incompatibility of CN with the True Gospel

Christian Nationalism wants to glue the atonement to American exceptionalism. But friend, that's like trying to plug a Bible into a power outlet—it's not just the wrong socket, it'll blow the whole circuit. The Gospel says you are dead in trespasses and sins, and your only hope is Christ crucified, risen, and coming again. It doesn't say "Make America Great Again." It says, "Repent, and believe the Gospel."

They want a country club salvation, where you get baptized in Old Glory, sing the national anthem before communion, and quote the founding fathers like they wrote Romans. But the Gospel doesn't promise liberty and justice for all—it promises **eternal life to those who believe**, and **eternal judgment to those who don't**. Big difference.

Religious Freedom ≠ Spiritual Truth

Now don't get me wrong—we thank God for religious liberty. But **liberty isn't truth**. You can have the freedom to worship a statue, a stick, a goat, or yourself—that doesn't mean it's the truth.

Christian Nationalists cry about "protecting religious freedom," but many of them wouldn't know **sound doctrine** if it socked them in the jaw. They're more worried about keeping

nativity scenes on courthouse lawns than keeping false doctrine out of pulpits. They'd rather pass a law than preach the Gospel.

But here's the kicker: the early church didn't fight for religious freedom. They didn't form PACs or protest Rome. They **preached Christ**, got arrested, got whipped, got executed—and **kept preaching**.

Religious freedom may be a blessing, but it's not a biblical guarantee. You're not promised a voice in Congress. You're promised a **cross**. And when persecution comes, some of these flag-waving "Christians" will drop their Bibles faster than a hot mic at a political rally.

What Martyrdom and Persecution Really Mean

You want to talk about persecution? Don't insult the martyrs with your cable-news grievances and Twitter bans. Persecution isn't when Starbucks takes the snowflakes off the cups. It's when they take your head off your shoulders.

Persecution isn't when your political candidate loses. It's when you preach the Gospel and **they kill you for it**.

Hebrews 11 lists men and women who were tortured, mocked, scourged, chained, imprisoned, stoned, sawn in half, and slain with the sword. That's persecution. That's the real deal. And it didn't come because they supported a nation—it came because they stood for **truth**.

The Cross isn't popular. It's offensive. It tells the sinner, "You're not good enough. You can't fix yourself. You're going to Hell without Christ." That's not winning any elections, but it'll save souls.

A Tale of Two Kingdoms

You cannot serve two masters. You'll love the one and hate the other. And when you try to yoke the Gospel with politics, one of them's going to be dragged through the dirt. And I promise you—it won't be the flag.

Jesus Christ didn't die to make America great. He died to save the lost. He didn't call us to defend the Constitution—He called us to **contend for the faith**.

If your "Christianity" needs political power to survive, it's not Christianity. It's a counterfeit. Real Christianity thrives under pressure, under persecution, and under regimes that hate God. Why? Because the Gospel doesn't need man's permission to be powerful.

Conclusion: Burn the Idols

It's time to tear down the golden calves in red, white, and blue. Stop confusing cultural influence with spiritual authority. Stop pretending the kingdom of God is a branch of the federal government.

The Cross cannot fly beside the flag, because **one is holy**, the other is human. One saves souls. The other passes bills. One is eternal. The other's going to burn.

So if you're a Bible believer—plant your feet, lift your Bible, and preach the **Cross of Christ**, not the **colors of a nation**. You're not called to be a campaigner. You're called to be a witness.

And brother, there's still time to choose your banner.

Jesus Saves. The Flag Doesn't.

8 of 12: Understanding Christian Nationalism – When the Church Married Rome – A Historical Warning

A Wedding That Brought Death

You want to talk about Christian nationalism? Fine. Let's talk about the first one. Let's talk about the OG wedding — when the **Church married Rome**, when the Bride of Christ crawled into bed with Caesar and called it “revival.” That wasn't a holy matrimony, friend — it was a **bloody merger**, and the church has been paying alimony in blood ever since.

Let me tell you something straight. If you think **Jesus Christ came to start a political empire**, or to hand out tax breaks to the Pharisees, or to draft legislation to make sure prayer got back in schools, you've missed the whole book of Acts. He didn't ride into Jerusalem with a sword and army — He rode in on a **donkey**, already **condemned to die**, because He knew something the Christian nationalists never seem to grasp:

The Kingdom of God is not of this world.

But the Church forgot that. Worse — she betrayed it.

Constantine and the "Conversion" of an Empire

Let's rewind the tape to about **313 AD** — the Edict of Milan. Constantine, the Roman Emperor, declares Christianity legal. Everyone's cheering, right? Wrong. That was the **beginning of the end** for biblical Christianity in the Roman Empire. Oh sure, it started with

religious tolerance. But tolerance quickly became dominance. Before long, Christianity went from the catacombs to the **capitol**, from burning at the stake to **burning heretics**.

You think Constantine got saved because he saw a cross in the sky? Grow up. That was Rome playing chess, and the Church got played.

This man didn't get baptized until he was on his deathbed. You know why? Because **he wanted to sin like hell** while living like a Caesar, and still slip into heaven through the back door. And Christians let him.

They took the world's crown and traded the Lord's cross for it.

They said, "We'll take a little Caesar if it means less persecution."

What did they get in return?

— Bishops in bed with senators.

— Preachers promoted for political loyalty.

— A church that **no longer bled**, but **bled others** to keep its throne.

Birth of Babylon 2.0 — The Catholic Church

Out of this unholy fusion came a monster. Not a bride. Not a body. But a **beast** — Revelation 17 style. Drunk with the blood of the saints. That's not Peter's church — that's the Devil's dominion dressed up in Christian garments.

You say, "Well, the Catholic Church did a lot of good." So did Pharaoh — he gave out grain during the famine. That doesn't make him a type of Christ.

Friend, the **Holy Roman Empire** wasn't holy, wasn't Roman, and wasn't much of an empire. It was the **church married to the state**, and it birthed centuries of corruption, bloodshed, forced conversions, crusades, inquisitions, torture chambers, and a doctrine of salvation that looked nothing like Paul's gospel.

You want the truth?

— The Church stopped being the **pillar and ground of the truth** and became the **ensor of truth**.

— They put Mary on the throne and Christ on the crucifix — again and again and again.

— They gave the world a **religious empire** instead of the hope of eternal life.

And guess who was **left in the shadows**?

The real Church. The **anabaptists**, the **Waldensians**, the **Lollards**, the **Albigensians**, the **Paulicians**, and every other group that wouldn't bow the knee to **Rome's political Jesus**.

And what happened to them?

They were **slaughtered**.

Not by Rome the Empire — but by Rome the Church.

Trail of Blood: Christian Nationalism's Old Testament

Now before you start blowing red, white, and blue fireworks and calling me a traitor — listen.

I love liberty. I love freedom. But the minute the Church starts **yoking with government**, she **sells her soul** to keep her seat at the table.

Read the books. Read **Foxe's Book of Martyrs**. Read **The Trail of Blood**.

You'll find **popes with armies**, inquisitors with torture devices, and "Christian" empires burning men alive for translating the Bible into English.

You want "Christian nationalism?" Rome already tried it.

— It built cathedrals while peasants starved.

— It printed indulgences instead of Scripture.

— It crowned kings in exchange for armies.

This ain't tinfoil hat stuff. This is history. **Verified. Documented. Bloody.**

And here's the sick twist — when men like Luther and Tyndale and Zwingli tried to **break away**, the Protestant reformers didn't break the mold. They just **reinvented the same system**, but in German, or Dutch, or English. They created **state churches** that still persecuted dissenters.

Government religion is always bloody religion.

Jesus Christ vs. Caesar: The Real Separation

You want to quote Jesus? Let's go:

"Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's." (Matthew 22:21)

You know what that is?

That's a **line in the sand**.

Jesus didn't say "Vote Caesar in to bring in the kingdom." He didn't say "Christianize the empire." He said: **Caesar gets taxes. God gets your soul.**

He didn't blend them — **He divided them.**

The apostles got that. You'll find **zero** New Testament support for **church-state unity.**

Paul never tried to get Nero to pass a law protecting home churches.

Peter never organized a religious party in the Sanhedrin.

James didn't try to Christianize Herod's temple taxes.

Instead, they **preached**, they **suffered**, they **died** — and the **Church exploded with power.**

Why? Because they **didn't trade the Holy Ghost for a ballot box.**

Biblical Separation Is Not Secularism

Now don't get confused. The **biblical doctrine of separation** isn't the **liberal agenda of godless politics.** They say "separation of church and state" to keep you from **praying before lunch.** That's not what I'm talking about.

I'm talking about a Church that doesn't need **Caesar's approval** to operate.

A Church that **preaches Christ**, whether the Constitution allows it or not.

A Church that **stays holy**, even when the nation goes to hell.

When the Church partners with the state, she becomes **addicted to power.**

When the Church stays **married to Christ**, she becomes **a threat to every power.**

There's a big difference.

When Freedom Becomes a False God

Now I know what the nationalists say. "We just want religious liberty!"

Well, that's great — but don't confuse **religious liberty** with **the gospel.**

The gospel isn't freedom of religion. It's **freedom from sin.**

And liberty doesn't come from Washington, DC — it comes from **Calvary's hill**, where the blood fell like rain.

Here's the danger: you start idolizing liberty, and soon it's **God, guns, and glory** — in that order.

But tell that to **Stephen**, who got stoned before he could even cast a ballot.

Tell it to **Paul**, who was whipped, beaten, imprisoned, and executed without ever filing a religious exemption.

Tell it to **John**, who didn't get a religious lawyer — he got **exiled to Patmos**.

They didn't cry about rights — they **rejoiced in persecution**.

They didn't fight for nationalism — they preached the cross.

The Modern Engagement Ring

Christian nationalism today is nothing more than a **re-engagement to Rome**. Different dress. Different makeup. Same prostitute spirit.

You know what Revelation says?

“Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins.” (Revelation 18:4)

It doesn't say “Run her campaign.”

It doesn't say “Use her for good.”

It says **GET OUT** — or get judged with her.

Because every time the Church marries the State, the State becomes the head.

And last I checked, **Jesus Christ is the head of the Church** — not some president, prime minister, or papal vicar.

The Divorce Papers Are Coming

And the Lord's not gonna stand for it much longer.

Judgment **must begin at the house of God** — not the White House. Not the Capitol. Not the voting booth.

If we don't separate now, God will separate for us.

That's what the Tribulation is.

That's when the false bride gets judged, and the real one gets **raptured**.

We're in the final countdown.

The devil's dressing up the counterfeit bride in red, white, and blue.

She's waving a flag with one hand and **signing her death warrant with the other**.

And the real Church? She better be trimming her lamp, not tweeting campaign slogans.

Final Call: Come Out Before the Collapse

This ain't about politics. It's about **prophecy**.

The beast system is being built with **your patriotic passion**.

Don't fall for it.

Come out. Get back to the Bible. Preach Christ crucified. Reject the blend. Refuse the bride swap.

The Church is not Rome's mistress.

She is **Christ's virgin bride**.

And she better start acting like it.

Conclusion

When the Church married Rome, the blood ran for over a thousand years. You say, "Well that was then." Friend, **history repeats**, and the devil never updates his playbook if the play keeps working.

America's version of Rome is knocking at the door again, flowers in one hand, chains in the other. The question is:

Will we say "I do"?

Or will we remember the vow we made at Calvary — to **one Lord, one faith, one baptism** — and say:

"I'm already taken."

9 of 12: Understanding Christian Nationalism - Christian Soldiers or Political Activists?

Brother, let me tell you something right off the bat: if you think God called His Church to be a marching band for the Republican Party, waving red, white, and blue pom-poms at political rallies, then you must've been baptized in CNN instead of the blood of Jesus Christ. The Body of Christ ain't a lobbying firm. We're not here to reform Caesar's playground; we're here to **rescue souls out of the fire** (Jude 1:23). And what we're watching today is a full-blown identity crisis in the Church. Men and women who were called to be **soldiers of the cross** have laid down their spiritual weapons and picked up picket signs. They've traded the Sword of the Spirit for political slogans. They've become loud-mouthed activists instead of gospel-preaching evangelists.

The whole mess boils down to this: **the Church has forgotten the difference between spiritual warfare and a culture war**. And when you confuse those two, you'll end up

building a kingdom on sand, not standing on the Rock of Ages. So buckle up, buttercup. We're going to cut through the confusion with the sharp, two-edged Sword of the Word of God and expose this counterfeit crusade for what it is.

The Real War: Spiritual, Not Political

Ephesians 6:12 says, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

Notice that. Paul didn't say we wrestle against the liberals, or the Democrats, or CNN, or drag queen story hour. He said our battle is in **spiritual realms**, not against **flesh and blood**. That's your Bible. The moment you think your fight is against some clown in a Capitol building or some agenda-pusher on television, you've already lost. The real enemy is the **spirit behind the deception**, not the puppet mouthing the lies.

But what are Christian Nationalists doing? They're loading up their cannons, aiming at the enemy's **puppets**, and thinking if they can just pass the right laws or get the right man in office, then they've won the war. Sorry, champ. That ain't the battlefield God called you to fight on. Paul fought Rome with a prison sentence, not a protest. Peter preached Christ crucified while Nero burned Christians alive. And you think you're gonna usher in the kingdom of God with a voter registration drive?

Get real. You don't change a man's heart with legislation. You change it with **regeneration**. "Ye must be born again" (John 3:7). The Constitution won't do that. Only the blood of Jesus Christ can.

The Church: A Lighthouse, Not a Voting Bloc

God never told the Church to conquer nations. He told us to make **disciples of all nations** (Matthew 28:19). You say, "Well, what about taking dominion?" You're living in Old Testament shadows, friend. That dominion stuff was for Israel, not the Church. We're not Israel. We're **ambassadors** in a foreign land (2 Corinthians 5:20), not kings setting up our own theocracy.

You know what happens when the Church gets in bed with the state? You get the Dark Ages. You get the **Inquisition**, not inspiration. You get **bloody crusades**, not soul-winning campaigns. The Church becomes a **persecutor** instead of a preacher. Look at history! Constantine legalized Christianity and made it the official religion of the Roman Empire,

and it wasn't 50 years later before they were burning Bibles, setting up popes, and killing anyone who wouldn't bow the knee.

You say, "Well, we just need a Christian president." We had Jimmy Carter and George Bush. How'd that work out? Moral rot still spread like wildfire. Abortion clinics still murdered millions. Drag shows still defiled the land. Because laws don't save people. **Jesus saves.**

The Church was meant to be a **light shining in the darkness**, not a political machine grinding out votes. You want revival? It doesn't start with a political campaign. It starts on your knees, with your face buried in the Book and your heart broken over sin.

When Activism Replaces Evangelism

Now here's where the rubber meets the road. Activism, in itself, ain't always evil. There's a place for Christians to speak out against wickedness. John the Baptist lost his head for calling out Herod's incestuous relationship. But when your **entire ministry** becomes political ranting, and you never once mention the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ, you're not a preacher anymore—you're a political commentator with a pulpit.

These Christian influencers on social media love to rant about vaccines, immigrants, grooming, globalists, and gas prices, but not a word about the **Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world**. They've got merch, sponsors, podcasts, and platforms, but they've lost their **first love** (Revelation 2:4).

Let me ask you something. If your "Christian" platform never offends a lost man with the gospel but only offends his political views, then what gospel are you preaching? Jesus didn't come to turn Democrats into Republicans. He came to turn sinners into saints. And Paul didn't go to Mars Hill and rant about Roman taxes. He preached the resurrection.

If you replaced all your sermons with a Tucker Carlson monologue, and no one noticed, you've left the gospel behind.

The Danger of a Counterfeit Kingdom

Christian Nationalism creates a **false sense of hope** in an earthly kingdom. It's a golden calf wrapped in an American flag. The people think, "If we can just take back the country, we'll be okay." But that's not what your Bible says. Paul told Timothy that in the **last days**, perilous times would come (2 Timothy 3:1). Jesus said lawlessness would increase, and the love of many would wax cold (Matthew 24:12).

You want to know why the world is falling apart? It's not because of who's in the White House. It's because **judgment begins at the house of God** (1 Peter 4:17). It's because pulpits are full of cowards, and pews are full of people who'd rather fight for **liberty** than die to self. Everyone wants to save America, but no one wants to **crucify the flesh**.

America doesn't need a red wave. It needs a **blood wash**. And until the Church gets back to **repentance and faith**, she will continue to rot from the inside out. The salt has lost its savor, and we're trying to season the culture with stale, political crumbs.

The Gospel: Offensive, Not Electable

Let's be honest. The gospel ain't popular. It tells men they're hell-bound sinners. It tells women they're not queens, they're lost. It tells teenagers their TikTok lifestyle is rebellion. It tells religious folks their works are filthy rags. The gospel offends everyone, equally. And because of that, it's not a great political platform.

So what do the wolves do? They water it down. They hide the offense. They preach a gospel of **cultural redemption** instead of **spiritual salvation**. They swap out the rugged cross for a polished pulpit and give speeches instead of sermons.

These men have **conformed the gospel to fit the nation**, instead of calling the nation to conform to Christ. And the result is a generation of people who are patriotic but lost. They think because they love freedom, they're free. But they're still bound by sin. They think because they vote right, they're righteous. But their hearts are still unregenerate.

Jesus didn't die to save America. He died to save sinners. Full stop.

Final Marching Orders

Paul told Timothy to **endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ** (2 Timothy 2:3). He didn't say go enlist in Caesar's army. He said **endure hardness**. Take the hits. Bear the cross. Suffer for Christ. Stand for truth.

A soldier of Jesus Christ doesn't need a Twitter campaign. He needs a prayer closet. He doesn't need a megaphone. He needs a Bible. He doesn't storm the Capitol. He storms the gates of Hell.

And he doesn't fight to preserve a culture. He fights to rescue souls.

We are in a battle. But it's not with men. It's not with parties. It's not with policies. It's with **principalities and powers**, and we've been armed with **truth, righteousness, faith, salvation, the Word, and prayer** (Ephesians 6:14-18).

So get back to the Book. Get back to the cross. Get back to evangelism. Leave the political charades to the lost. Our King is not running for office. He's coming with a **crown of many crowns**, and when He returns, He won't be red or blue.

He'll be **Faithful and True** (Revelation 19:11).

And He's coming soon.

10 of 12: The Coming Religious Beast – A Foreshadowing of Revelation 13

Brother, if you can't see it by now, you might want to check your prescription — not for glasses, but for your spiritual eyes. Because the one-world religious system isn't coming; it's already here, building, brick by ecumenical brick, right under your nose. And Christian Nationalism, that red, white, and blue gospel of flags and faith, is just one more step toward the golden calf that will speak lies in the name of truth.

"The Coming Religious Beast" isn't just a catchy sermon title. It's a prophetic warning, a neon sign blinking loud and clear in Revelation 13. You know the one: the beast that rises up with two horns like a lamb (oh, he looks religious alright!) but speaks like a dragon. It looks like Jesus but sounds like the Devil. And if that ain't a picture of modern Christian Nationalism wrapped in conservative language and spouting Jesuitical unity, I don't know what is.

A Lamb with Horns and a Dragon's Tongue

Let's crack that Book open. Revelation 13:11 says, "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon." Now don't miss it. The two horns mean he's got power — but not the kind you expect. He doesn't conquer with tanks and missiles; he conquers with "unity" and religious deception. It's a religious beast. And that's why it matters.

Christian Nationalism is laying the kindling for that fire. It whispers that God and country are inseparable. That Jesus would vote a certain way. That the Bible is just another political weapon to swing at your opponents. And when you're done, what you've built isn't a church — it's a golden image, crafted to resemble the true God, but animated by a dragon's breath.

How Christian Nationalism Sets the Stage

The issue isn't patriotism. It's idolatry. The difference between Daniel in Babylon and the Christian Nationalist today is simple: Daniel knew Babylon was not his home. The Christian Nationalist thinks America is the Kingdom of God.

See, Revelation 13 speaks of an image that is set up and made to speak. It's a religious image. Something worshipped. Something admired. And Christian Nationalism has become just that: a talking, voting, flag-waving image of Americanized Christianity.

It has its own hymns ("God Bless America"), its own altar (the ballot box), and its own priests (political pundits in suits). And guess what? The pews are full. But the Gospel is absent. This is how the stage is set for the one-world religious system. You don't need to convince people to worship the beast if they've already spent years learning to worship a counterfeit Christ.

Political Religion is the Devil's Bait

When Revelation 13:13 says, "he doeth great wonders," that ain't just parlor tricks. These are signs and wonders meant to deceive. False fire from heaven, false miracles, false revival. And who do you think is going to be most ready to believe it? The spiritually grounded, Bible-believing, rightly dividing remnant? Or the emotional, experience-chasing, patriotic crowd that already equates blessings with ballots?

Brother, they're primed for it. That whole beast system doesn't start in the back alleys with witches and Satanists. It starts in the churches with preachers who can't tell the difference between the Constitution and the New Testament.

They say, "We need a revival in America!" What they mean is, "We want our political power back."

They say, "This is a Christian nation!" What they mean is, "We want a seat at Caesar's table."

They say, "We want to restore values!" What they mean is, "We want to legislate morality without preaching repentance."

The Beast Loves Religious Language

You ever notice how politicians talk? They'll say "God bless you" out of one side of their mouth and "love is love" out of the other. That's a two-horned lamb if I ever saw one. They sound like they read a devotional, but they legislate like Baal worshippers.

You want to know how the beast rises? Slowly. Through compromise. Through political unity. Through false revivals and patriotic passion. Through convincing the Church to take up the sword instead of the cross.

You don't get a beast system overnight. You get it when the pulpits start preaching American exceptionalism instead of Christ crucified. You get it when churches become campaign headquarters. You get it when Christians stop looking for the rapture and start looking for a political savior.

False Unity is Worse Than Division

The Beast thrives on unity. But it's the wrong kind. The Bible warns in Genesis 11 about man getting together in one language, one purpose, and building a tower to heaven. God wasn't impressed. He scattered them. Because man-made unity always ends in rebellion.

Christian Nationalism is a unity trap. It says, "Forget your doctrinal differences, join the movement!" And so, you get Catholics and charismatics, Baptists and prosperity preachers, all yoking together to "save America."

But God didn't call us to save America. He called us to preach the Gospel. When the early church got political, Rome nailed them to crosses and fed them to lions. You think that's not coming again? Think again. The beast loves a crowd, because crowds are easy to deceive.

The Mark Comes After the Marriage

Let me put it plainly: before the Antichrist marks your hand, he wants to mark your heart. Christian Nationalism is spiritual grooming for the beast system. It softens people up. It teaches them to obey a system in the name of God.

It teaches them that government is divine. That legislation can sanctify. That voting is a sacrament.

By the time the real beast shows up, folks won't even blink. They'll already be used to kneeling to political idols. They'll already be used to churches endorsing governments.

And when that mark comes — economic, digital, global — they'll be ready. Because they were prepped. By whom? Not the world. By their pastors.

Come Out From Among Them

2 Corinthians 6:17 says, "Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing." That ain't a suggestion, friend. That's a command.

The Church has no business being married to Rome, to Washington, or to any worldly power. When Jesus stood before Pilate, He said, "My kingdom is not of this world." So what are you doing building one?

Stop looking for political alliances. Stop chasing cultural influence. Stop trying to save Sodom.

Preach the Word. Live holy. Win souls. Get ready to fly.

Because the beast isn't coming with horns and fire. He's coming with a Bible in one hand and a ballot in the other.

And if you ain't grounded, if you ain't discerning, if you ain't rightly dividing, you'll fall for it. Hook, line, and burning lake.

Final Warning

The image is being set up. The church is asleep. The preachers are compromised. The people are entertained. And the system is almost ready.

Don't say you weren't warned.

You want to resist the Beast? Preach the real Christ. Not the Americanized one. Not the political one. Not the soft-handed, suit-wearing, gospel-of-good-behavior Jesus. Preach the crucified, risen, coming-again Judge of the whole earth.

Let them call you unpatriotic. Let them say you're divisive. Let them say you're not "loving."

I'd rather be called names by the world than be counted as a citizen of the beast system.

Because when that lamb with dragon's breath shows up, I'd rather be caught up than caught off guard.

11 of 12: The Patriot Pastor Problem – Hirelings in the Pulpit

Introduction: Preaching the Flag Instead of the Cross

You want to know why the modern church is a spiritual wasteland? Why the pews are filled with apathetic Bible-illiterates and the pulpits are stacked with polished, smiling politicians instead of old-fashioned preachers who fear God and thunder the Book? Here it is: the pulpit has become a platform. Not for preaching. Not for soul-winning. But for politics, parties, and patriotism. America doesn't need another rally. She needs repentance. But

good luck hearing that from your average megachurch stage where the spotlight's hotter than the fire of the Holy Ghost.

We've got ourselves a Patriot Pastor Problem. And it's a real stench in the nostrils of God.

They wave flags in the sanctuary, play the national anthem like it's a hymn, and swap the blood-stained banner of Calvary for Old Glory. Now listen here, I love my country. I'd bleed red, white, and blue if it meant defending her. But when the Church forgets that her allegiance is first to a crucified Christ and not to a political party, she becomes a harlot riding the beast, not the bride waiting for the Groom.

Let's talk about it. And we're not pulling punches.

I. Political Pulpits: A Gospel Hijacked by Party Lines

When did preaching Christ crucified become controversial, but endorsing political candidates became standard fare? I'll tell you when—when pastors stopped being shepherds and started being hirelings.

You can spot them a mile away. They got their talking points straight off the morning cable news and their sermon illustrations from Tucker, Sean, or Anderson depending on which flavor of apostasy they peddle. Instead of quoting Paul, Peter, or Jesus, they quote Reagan, Trump, or Kennedy.

The cross gets five minutes. The Constitution gets fifty.

These men will fight tooth and nail to keep prayer in public school, but they won't keep their own families on their knees at home. They'll stand up for the Pledge of Allegiance but sit down when it's time to evangelize their neighbor. You think Christ is impressed with your political spine if your spiritual backbone is gelatin?

Isaiah said, "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression..." (Isa. 58:1). But instead of crying out against sin, we got pastors crying about taxation.

Jesus didn't die to secure religious liberty. He died to save sinners.

II. Ezekiel 34: The Divine Indictment on Cowardly Shepherds

If you want to see what God thinks about this whole circus, flip open to Ezekiel 34. You don't need a seminary degree; you just need eyes to see and ears to hear.

"Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?" (Ezek. 34:2)

These hirelings aren't feeding the sheep. They're feeding their egos. Fattening themselves up on applause, book deals, conference invites, and praise from the conservative elite. Meanwhile, the sheep are starving. They don't know what sanctification is. They couldn't find the book of Hosea with a GPS. And when temptation comes, they fall like leaves in autumn.

Ezekiel goes on: "The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away..." (Ezek. 34:4)

Sound familiar?

They won't preach repentance because it hurts feelings.

They won't call out sin because it costs followers.

They won't name names because it might affect their invitation to the next Prayer Breakfast.

But they sure know how to talk about "taking America back for God."

Let me ask you something. What if God doesn't want her back? What if He's letting this Babylon fall because He's preparing His people for something better—a heavenly country (Heb. 11:16)?

III. From Soldiers of Christ to Culture Warriors

Paul told Timothy to endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ (2 Tim. 2:3). But our churches have traded soldiers for social media influencers. Used to be a preacher would weep over souls. Now he weeps if his live stream glitches during the opening monologue.

We've got people thinking that spiritual warfare means hosting a "God and Country Rally" or going viral with a Bible verse under a MAGA post.

That ain't warfare. That's cotton candy conservatism.

Where's the travailing in prayer?

Where's the rebuke of sin?

Where's the street preaching, door-knocking, Gospel-toting Christians who look like they walked out of Acts chapter 5?

We need to stop acting like the goal of Christianity is to make America safe again. That's not the Gospel. The Gospel is Christ crucified, buried, and risen again for sinners. Not flags.

Not founding fathers. Not liberty. Not Western civilization. But Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh.

The early church had no flags, no amendments, no vote. But they had the Holy Ghost, boldness, and truth. And they turned the world upside down.

What are we turning upside down? Not the world—just our stomachs with more coffee and donuts in the church foyer while we wait for the next election cycle.

IV. The Harlot Rides the Beast – Mixing Church with State

Let me give you a warning. It ain't new, and it ain't popular.

Every time the Church marries the State, she ends up in bed with the devil. Don't believe me? Read history.

Start with Constantine. Then take a stroll through the Vatican archives. Then look at the bloody trail of the Spanish Inquisition, the Crusades, and state-church persecutions.

It wasn't the communists burning Baptists in England. It was the Anglicans.

It wasn't the Muslims torturing Anabaptists in Europe. It was the Catholics.

You think it can't happen here?

Give your favorite politician a pulpit and a Bible, and before long he'll have a sword, a law, and a jail cell ready for the ones who won't fall in line.

Revelation 13 shows us the endgame. A one-world religion riding a one-world government. And let me tell you something—that harlot is drunk with the blood of the saints (Rev. 17:6).

The forerunner of that unholy alliance? It's being built every time a pulpit becomes a campaign podium.

V. What Preaching Used to Sound Like

Once upon a time, a preacher would thunder from the pulpit,

"Repent!"

"Flee from the wrath to come!"

"Ye must be born again!"

Nowadays it's:

"Register to vote."

"Attend the Family Values Rally."

"Make your voice heard at city hall."

Listen, brother, you can't legislate a revival. You can't mandate a move of God. You can't coerce holiness through political policy.

Preach the Word. Preach the cross. Preach Christ and Him crucified. That's the only thing that has power to change a man from the inside out.

The government can make a man behave. The Gospel can make a man believe.

The law can tame his hand. The cross can transform his heart.

That's why Jesus didn't run for office. That's why Paul didn't form a PAC. That's why Peter didn't start a voter drive. They knew what too many pastors have forgotten:

The Church is not here to win elections. We are here to win souls.

VI. The Cost of Compromise

You say, "What's the harm? If a preacher can influence voters, isn't that a good thing?"

Let me ask you this. If a man gains political ground but loses his Gospel grip, what has he won?

If he can rally thousands to a political event but can't get a handful to a prayer meeting, what's he actually built?

If his name is known in Washington but unknown in hell, what's he accomplished?

Jesus didn't tell Peter to feed the voters. He said, "Feed my sheep."

When pastors push politics more than prayer, they are nothing more than noise. When they exalt party over principle, they're false shepherds. And when they refuse to rebuke sin, call for repentance, or preach the cross, they become hirelings, fattened for the slaughter.

Ezekiel 34 is not a relic. It's a warning.

VII. Call Them Out. Then Call Them to Repentance.

You want to know what God wants in a preacher?

Not a celebrity.

Not a political puppet.

Not a motivational speaker.

But a man of God. A holy man. A faithful man. A Bible preacher. A soul-winner. A weeper. A prophet. A watchman.

He doesn't need a flag behind him. He needs fire in his bones.

He doesn't need applause. He needs anointing.

He doesn't need relevance. He needs reverence.

And if that man has to stand alone, then so be it. Elijah did. Jeremiah did. John the Baptist did. Jesus did.

If you're a preacher reading this, get back in the Book.

If you're a Christian sitting under one of these compromised cowards, get out and find a church where Christ is Lord and the Bible is final.

We are not meant to be pawns in Satan's political chess game. We are soldiers in the army of the Lord.

Conclusion: Judgment Must Begin at the House of God

The time has come.

Not for another vote.

Not for another rally.

Not for another fundraiser.

But for repentance. For revival. For preachers to forsake the platforms of men and return to the altar of God.

"Judgment must begin at the house of God..." (1 Peter 4:17)

If the shepherds don't repent, the sheep will scatter. If the pulpits remain polluted, the people will perish. If the Church keeps playing politics, she will fall prey to the very beast she thinks she's controlling.

The Patriot Pastor Problem isn't going away unless real men of God rise up, tear down the golden calves in their sanctuaries, and rebuild the altar of the Lord.

Let God be true, and every man—Democrat or Republican—a liar.

Preach the Book.

Preach the Blood.

Preach the Blessed Hope.

And let the chips fall where they may.

12 of 12: Our Citizenship is in Heaven – The True Identity of the Believer

Let me tell you something straight out of the Book, brother—we are not Republicans, we are not Democrats, we are not Independents, Libertarians, Tea Partiers, Greenies, or whatever else the American circus cart rolls out every four years like a sideshow freak act. If you've been washed in the blood, sealed by the Spirit, and placed into the body of Christ, then *your citizenship is not of this world*. That ain't up for vote. You're not a resident of Babylon anymore—you're a **child of the King**, a **stranger and pilgrim on the earth**, and **your citizenship is in Heaven**, just like Philippians 3:20 says.

Now look, you can wave your little red, white, and blue flag, you can sing “God Bless America” with tears running down your cheeks, and you can thank the Lord for the liberty you've got—which is fine. I'm not knocking it. We're thankful for freedom. But let's get one thing nailed down and bolted shut: this world is not our home. We're just passing through, baby. You better get that thing settled deep down in your soul, or you're going to get swept up in the tide of patriotic delusion that's about to drown a whole lot of churches in the next few years.

Citizens of Another Country

Paul wasn't sitting around trying to pass resolutions in the Roman Senate. He wasn't organizing protest rallies in front of Caesar's palace. He wasn't passing out “Make Jerusalem Great Again” hats on the street corners. Paul said, **“For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.”** Now that word “conversation” means more than just talking. It means your whole *manner of life*, your *citizenship*, your *allegiance*, and your *loyalty*. If you're saved, you've been translated out of the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of His dear Son. You're part of a *heavenly kingdom*, not a flag-draped version of Rome.

You know what's funny? The same crowd that shouts “King Jesus!” on Sunday will vote their favorite earthly king into office on Tuesday and then spend four years worshipping him. Ain't that a thing? We've replaced **the blessed hope** with ballot boxes. Replaced *the Gospel* with a platform. And replaced *biblical separation* with political assimilation. The

devil don't even have to lie anymore. He just wraps his deception in a flag and hands it to you at the church door.

Ambassadors, Not Conquerors

Paul said in 2 Corinthians 5:20, **“Now then we are ambassadors for Christ.”** You know what an ambassador does? He represents a foreign country in a strange land. He doesn't try to *take over* the country he's in. He doesn't try to *reform* it, *conquer* it, or *Christianize* it. He speaks on behalf of his King, and that's it.

But you wouldn't know that listening to modern pulpits. Half the preachers out there think they're running a campaign rally instead of preaching the Word. They think they're political consultants for Jesus. They get up, pound the pulpit, wave the Constitution in one hand and the Bible in the other, and act like they're the mouthpiece of both kingdoms. Well, I've got news for you, buddy: **you can't serve two masters.** You better pick.

Let me make it clear—*we are not called to conquer the culture.* We're called to **rescue sinners out of it.** We're not trying to baptize America in red, white, and blue holy water. We're trying to **snatch souls from the fire** before the whole thing goes up in smoke. This ain't a renovation project. It's a **rescue mission.**

Pilgrims and Strangers

Peter said it plain: **“Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul”** (1 Peter 2:11). Abraham didn't build a city. He looked for one **whose builder and maker is God.** He dwelt in tents and passed through this world as a sojourner. He knew that he didn't belong here.

Now, can you imagine Abraham starting a political movement to fix Sodom? Setting up signs—“Vote Righteousness 2025”? Marching in front of the city gate with a shofar and a pamphlet? The man wasn't trying to *save Sodom.* He was trying to **get his nephew out** before God burned it to the ground. That's the job. That's the mission.

But the modern Church has traded the pilgrim path for power politics. Instead of **denying self,** they've embraced platforms. Instead of **preaching Christ crucified,** they're preaching nationalism disguised as spirituality. They've stopped telling people how to get to Heaven and started telling them how to “save” America. You'd think Jesus was coming back to reign in D.C. instead of Jerusalem the way these people talk.

This World Is Not Our Home

Look, I know some of y'all grew up singing “This world is not my home, I'm just a-passin' through.” Well, now's the time to live it. Don't just sing it—**believe it.** The system is broken.

The world is fallen. The kingdoms of this world belong to **the god of this world**, and the only way out is **through the blood**.

When the devil offered Jesus the kingdoms of the world, Jesus didn't take the deal. But the Church today sure did. They sold their heavenly citizenship for a seat at the table. Traded their cross for a campaign slogan. And the worst part? They think they're doing God a favor.

Brethren, we don't need a "Christian America." We need **Christians in America** living like they're from another country. That's the difference. We're not trying to *fix* Babylon. We're called to **come out from among her**.

The True Identity of the Believer

Your identity is not in your party. It's not in your passport. It's not in your race, gender, zip code, tax bracket, or skin color. Your identity is in **Jesus Christ**, and that's all that matters. You're a **child of God**, a **joint-heir with Christ**, a **new creature**, and a **citizen of Heaven**.

That's why Paul said to "set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth." You want to know why the Church is weak today? Because she's set her affection on *polls*, not on *prophets*. On *laws*, not *light*. On *power*, not *prayer*.

We're living in a day when people are ashamed to say they're *Christians*, but proud to say they're conservatives. Ain't that something? They're terrified to preach the truth of God's Word, but they'll quote Reagan like he's a minor prophet. They'll whisper "Jesus" and shout "Trump." You tell me where their citizenship lies.

Friend, this is a call to come out. To wake up. To remember who you are. **Your name is written in Heaven**, not the voter rolls. **Your King sits on the right hand of the Father**, not in the Oval Office. **Your home is the New Jerusalem**, not Washington D.C.

Live like it.

Conclusion: Marching Orders from Above

So what now? Do we give up? Go hide in the woods? Build bunkers and wait it out? No, sir. **We preach the Gospel**. We live holy. We love the brethren. We fight the good fight of faith. We shine as lights in a dark world, not to change the world, but to rescue people from it.

You're not a political activist. You're a soldier of the cross. You're not running for office. You're running a race. You're not here to take dominion. You're here to take up your cross.

So straighten your back, fix your eyes on the eastern sky, and keep walking, brother. Don't get distracted by the noise. You're almost home.

Because your **citizenship is in Heaven**—and that’s the only country that’s never going to fall.

Series Conclusion: No King But Christ — A Farewell to Idols Draped in Flags

Well, if you’ve made it this far, you’ve done better than most. You read through every one of these twelve hard-hitting essays, and now you’ve got a choice to make. Not a vote. Not a pledge. Not a protest sign or a bumper sticker. A decision before the judgment seat of Christ. That’s the only election that matters, and brother, it’s already rigged in favor of the Lamb that was slain—not Uncle Sam.

Let me say it one last time, slow and clear: I’m not against America. I’m not burning the flag, I’m not rewriting history, and I’m not joining the parade of whining apostates who think patriotism is the root of all evil. But if you’ve been paying attention, then you already know this series wasn’t about hating America—it was about **not replacing Jesus Christ with America**. It was about calling the church back to the cross instead of the Capitol.

There’s a stench rising in this land, and it’s not just from Hollywood or Washington. It’s coming from the pulpits that have traded the Word of God for political talking points, from churches that think revival is spelled G-O-P, from Christians who raise their flags higher than their Bibles and shout louder for elections than they do for evangelism. You can wrap a Bible in the Constitution all you want, but **if you’re not preaching the blood of Jesus Christ, you’re part of the problem**.

Christian Nationalism is the devil’s golden calf for the last days. It looks righteous, sounds holy, and waves just enough Bible around to fool the naive. But under the hood, it’s the same old tower of Babel—man trying to unify himself through politics, power, and religion instead of repentance. And when that beast rises in Revelation 13, the groundwork will have already been laid by a church that **confused the lamb with the lion** and followed a movement instead of a Master.

You want to fix America? Preach the Gospel. You want to take back the culture? Start on your knees. You want to make a difference? Go win souls instead of wasting breath on social media. This nation doesn’t need more Christians in office—it needs more Christians on fire. Not political fire. Not nationalist rage. **Holy Ghost fire**. The kind that makes devils tremble and sinners weep.

Listen to me: we are pilgrims. Ambassadors. Strangers and foreigners. You’re not supposed to feel at home in Babylon. You’re not supposed to blend in with Rome. And you’re not

called to bring in the kingdom by legislation. That's a lie straight from Hell's press room. The church is not here to conquer territory. The church is here to **pull brands from the burning** (Jude 1:23) while there's still time. And the clock is ticking.

So now what? What are you going to do with all this? You gonna run back to your Twitter feed and start quoting your favorite candidate? Or are you gonna **take up your cross and follow Jesus Christ outside the camp**—outside the political echo chambers, outside the padded pews, outside the plastic patriotism that thinks waving a flag is the same thing as bearing the Gospel?

This ain't about red vs. blue. This ain't about right vs. left. This is about **Truth vs. Error, Spirit vs. Flesh, Heaven vs. Earth**. You can't serve two masters, and you can't ride two beasts—one from the Book of Daniel and one from the Book of Revelation—and think you're doing the Lord's work.

You can either **stand for Christ or stand with the crowd**, but don't you dare try to blend the two and call it biblical. That's Laodicea talking, and Jesus said He'd spew that mess out of His mouth.

So here it is, plain as daylight:

We have no king but Jesus.

No flag above the cross.

No party above the Prince of Peace.

No nation above the Name that is above every name.

You want a revolution? Get born again. You want a banner to wave? Try the banner of His love (Song of Solomon 2:4). You want a kingdom to build? Start telling sinners that Christ died for their sins, was buried, and rose again the third day.

Because when the smoke clears, when the flags fall, when the ballots are burned and the last campaign sign rots in the dirt, there will only be one throne that matters.

And it won't be in Washington.

It'll be the **Great White Throne**.

And only those who bowed the knee to the crucified King will enter His kingdom.

Don't miss it.