

"And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their pre-appointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings..." (Acts 17:26 NKJV)

One's national identity begins with a foundation of families having similar shared goals and ideals. A society or community is an alliance of families; and on a broader level, is a nation. A nation can only be stable when its ideals, its morals and values, are founded upon an absolute frame of reference. That unchanging frame of reference must be G-d and His unchanging Word for every liberty-loving nation. Without that frame of reference, morals and values are subject to the whims of every individual and the ever-changing flow of social inclinations.

The principle of a Divine frame of reference for each individual provides meaning and purpose for every person. Without it, there is no basis for equality and justice or any other human dignity. That is why America's founding father, John Adams, in describing the newly signed Constitution of the United States said:

"Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

Our Constitution is the document that defines the framework for the joining of a people into one 'family' or 'free nation' that seeks the good of each individual. This 'free nation' is described by our Constitution as a Republic. In a Republic, the individuals that make up the country are the rulers, and only exists when individuals are willfully working together, having the ability to freely pursue 'happiness' [property ownership and gainful employment of their choice].

Family is more than just a mixture of related individuals; it should be a unified whole, in which each person is responsible for the other, each person playing an important part in the mixture. Parents are G-d's representatives in the family and the unifying force to teach the children right from wrong, holy from unholy, clean from unclean. This responsibility should never be abrogated or be given over to others. Parents are responsible for keeping the family connected to each other and to G-d. They alone are accountable to G-d for guiding the children into increasing levels of responsibility, from meeting one's own needs to meeting the needs of others in the home, in the extended family, and then in the community at large, expanding the definition of 'self' to encompass others. Those responsibilities should never be forced, but rather

taught to be a loving response to others that is rewarded by having a stable family, community, and nation.

The unique ideology of America was born when the United States of America became a nation on July 4, 1776. The belief of the founders was that when individuals and families arrived in this land as immigrants, they would adapt to the existing [Christian] culture; they would leave behind the culture from which they came and instead, pledge allegiance to the United States of America. The culture that is defined in our Constitution is based on Judeo-Christian values. In fact, the original signers of the Declaration of Independence and Constitution were Christians with the possible exception of two men, whom some claim were deists, having only a belief in a Creator. Dutch Sheets recently recalled the enduring faith of our founding father, George Washington.

George Washington commissioned the “Appeal to Heaven” flag to fly over our naval vessels and eventually our battlefields during the American Revolution. It was taken from the teachings of John Locke, a profound influencer of our founders. The concept behind the phrase was simply that when all else has failed, “appeal to Heaven” for your breakthrough. Our Founding Fathers knew our only hope of freedom was in God's providential help. So, they appealed to Heaven. —Dutch Sheets, July 19, 2019

Immigrants to America would not be required to become Christians, but only agree to live by the standards outlined in our Judeo-Christian founding documents. It was believed that they would develop a national spirit, a devotion to America, and have a desire for national unity and independence, having the opportunity to achieve prosperity through their own efforts.

This ideology is in direct opposition to socialism, the social and economic platform of Marxism that is applied in many totalitarian governments around the world. In a socialist economy, the government controls industry and businesses and distributes the wealth at their own discretion. Journalist Jared Stepman attended the recent “Socialism 2019” conference in Chicago and concluded that the Socialists’ main target is destroying the family. Stepman noted that this Marxist ideology has been slowly seeping into the Democratic Party.

“What’s clear from my observations at “Socialism 2019” is that traditional Marxists have successfully melded their ideology with the identity politics and culture war issues that animate modern liberalism—despite still being quite far from the beliefs of the average citizen [in America], Stepman remarked.”

Nationhood and God's Plan for Restoration

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Our enemy, Satan, knows that the family 'order' that leads to organized societies and nations is the main thing that prevents him from destroying all mankind, which is his ultimate goal. G-d established the family unit, communities, and nations **to protect the people** included therein.

The Psalmist states clearly that G-d established the boundaries of the earth.

“You have established all the boundaries of the earth...” (Psalm 74:17)

The Bible further describes those boundaries as nations, peoples having one blood [that of Adam & Eve] that G-d Himself separated, and to which He gave borders [i.e. boundaries].

“When the Most High gave the nations their inheritance, when he divided all mankind, he set up boundaries for the peoples...” (Deuteronomy 32:8 NIV)

It is evident that G-d formed nations and intended for them to have boundaries [i.e. borders]. It is also evident that G-d loves diversity and allowed the nations to develop different cultures when He separated them. In that separation, a unique language and a unique culture united the peoples.

A nation is defined as “a sovereign country, the inhabitants of which are united by language, culture, and common descent”. In the United States, our only common descent [ancestry] is Adam and Eve. We, as a nation, are exceptional in that regard because we are comprised of people from all races and countries, having a common language and the Judeo-Christian culture. Satan is desperately trying to change that dynamic by his attempts to remove the influence of the Bible and destroy the family through concupiscence, which produces demoralized lifestyles that result in either no reproduction of families or dysfunctional families unable to create stable societies and countries.

Nationhood is part of G-d's plan for the restoration of mankind. It began with **one man**, Abraham, whom G-d took out of the pagan society in which he lived. Abraham began

a family

with one son and then two grandsons and then twelve tribes, which grew into

a nation

, Israel, the nation that would be used by G-d to destroy His enemies. The greatest impediment to Satan's victory is not only Israel, but also 'nationhood' throughout the world and the unity of the peoples to their nations that is implied in that title.

He is busily and aggressively pursuing a one-world government that will erase borders and remove the wealth of the patriotic peoples of the world, particularly America, currently the only country in the world that is a Republic wherein the people of the nation rule the country rather than a single ruler who could become corrupted. Satan has been seeking to destroy the family unit from the first pronouncement that the seed of a woman would lead to his destruction (Genesis 3:15). He has also been pursuing the destruction of Israel from its birth, knowing that G-d will use them to achieve his defeat.

Only Bible-believing Christians and Jews, America and Israel are blocking Satan's victory. We are currently in a fierce 'preservation' battle. For the 243 years of its existence, America (its Constitution) has ensured religious freedom, a freedom that does not exist in most other nations. Religious freedom is being undermined daily by evil forces throughout the world. Those forces are seeking to destroy America due to its current strong allegiance to Israel and whose Christian majority is loyal to the teachings of the Bible and to Israel.

Believers in America must take up the mantle to preserve our right to religious freedom, not just in our homes and churches, but also in our government, both locally and nationally. We are called on by the L-rd to not only preserve it here, but to take our liberty [the Word of G-d] throughout the world. We cannot sit on the sidelines any longer while our freedoms are being eroded daily by pagans who are not satisfied to be part of the greatest experiment in self-rule the world has ever known. Instead, they seek to destroy it. Believers must take their places of leadership in all spheres of public influence: family, religion, government, media, education, arts and entertainment, and business. Where is your calling? Now is the time to reach people in your sphere of influence!

"Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free..." (Galatians 5:1)

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