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Matthew 12:33³³ “Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for a tree is known by *its* fruit.

OUR PAST

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Patrick Henry is remembered for his most famous quote,
“Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me Liberty, or give me Death!”||

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“It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ. For that reason alone, people of other faiths have been afforded freedom of worship here.”||

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President George Washington 1789 First Inaugural Address

“No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the invisible hand, which conducts the Affairs of men more than the People of the United States. Every step, by which they have advanced to the character of an independent nation, seems to have been distinguished by some token of providential agency.”

“It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor.” – George Washington
“Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable.” – George Washington
We beseech [God] to pardon our national and other transgressions... – George Washington, Thanksgiving Proclamation 1789

It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible.

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Declaration of Independence

Thomas Jefferson

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Constitution of the United States of America

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

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We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.--That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, --That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.--Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

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The Bill Of Rights

Amendment I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Amendment II

A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.

Amendment III

No soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

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Amendment IV

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

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Amendment X

The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people.

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Alexander Hamilton 1787

"For my own part, I sincerely esteem it [the Constitution] a system which without the finger of God, never could have been suggested and agreed upon by such a diversity of interests."

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Dr. Benjamin Rush, signer of the Declaration of Independence said,
“I do not believe that the Constitution was the offspring of inspiration, but I am as satisfied that it is as much the work of a Divine Providence as any of the miracles recorded in the Old and New Testament.”||

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Israel and the US

Israel: Founded to take the Torah (light of God) to the nations
America: Founded to take the news of Jesus to the Indians (Cape Henry; April 1607)
Israel: Comprised of 13 tribes (Joseph received a double portion)
America: Originally comprised of 13 colonies
Israel: North (10 tribes) and south sometimes at war with each other
America: North fought South in the Civil War
Israel: Capital-Jerusalem, not part of any tribe
America: Capital-Washington D.C., not part of any state
Israel: Led by 3 groups: King, Priests and Prophets
America: Led by 3 groups: Executive, Legislature and Judiciary
Israel: Jews left Egypt to escape religious persecution
America: Pilgrims left Europe to escape religious persecution
Israel: Called “Satan” by some Islamists
America: Called the “Great Satan” by some Islamists
Israel: The first Republic founded on the fixed laws of God
America: The second Republic founded on the fixed laws of God
Israel: All who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations... against it
(Zech 12:3)
America: The most fearful (peril) is the third, passing which the world united shall not prevail against her (Angel to George Washington at Valley Forge)

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Alexis de Tocqueville, 1831 A politician and social scientist, he made some extremely insightful And again, he wrote:
I sought for the greatness and genius of America in her commodious harbors and her ample rivers – and it was not there . . . in her fertile fields and boundless forests and it was not there . . . in her rich mines and her vast world commerce – and it was not there . . . in her democratic Congress and her matchless Constitution – and it was not there. Not until I went into the churches of America and heard her pulpits aflame with righteousness did I understand the secret of her genius and power. America is great because she is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, she will cease to be great.||

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Abraham Lincoln gave in 1838 in Springfield, Illinois:

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“Shall we expect some transatlantic military giant to step the ocean and crush us at a blow? Never! All the armies of Europe, Asia, and Africa combined, with all the treasure of the earth (our own excepted) in their military chest, with a Bonaparte for a commander, could not by force take a drink from the Ohio or make a track on the Blue Ridge in a trial of a thousand years. At what point then is the approach of danger to be expected? I answer. If it ever reach us it must spring up amongst us; it cannot come from abroad. If destruction be our lot we must ourselves be its author and finisher. As a nation of freemen we must live through all time or die by suicide.”

Matthew 3:10

¹⁰ And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

Our Present

The USA is a covenant Christian nation. We are one nation under God. The Christian majority is the largest group in America (~75%, 2012 polling). Christians uniting in Christ is our nation's source of unity. Below are some of the thousands of quotes endorsing God in government by our Founding Fathers and others in American history. American children have prayed and read the Holy Bible in schools for 355 years (1607 – 1962), Congress recommended Bibles for America and funded Christian missionaries, the third verse of our national anthem says, “And this be our motto, ‘In God is our trust’”.

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1962 – Prayer

1963- Bible Was Removed From School

1973 Row Vs. Wade (More than 50 Million)

The current Supreme Court forgot that in 1892, Supreme Court Justice David Josiah Brewer issued a ruling in which he wrote:

“No purpose of action against religion can be imputed to any legislation, state or national, because this is a religious people. This is historically true. From the discovery of this continent to the present hour, there is a single voice making this affirmation...There is no dissonance in these declarations. There is a universal language pervading them all, having one meaning; they affirm and reaffirm that this is a religious nation. These are not individual sayings, declarations of private persons: they are organic utterances; they speak the voice of the entire people... These, and many other matters which might be noticed, add a volume of unofficial declarations to the mass of organic utterances that this is a Christian nation.” (U.S. Supreme Court, Church of the Holy Trinity v. United States, 143 U.S. 471 (1892).

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Family

Government

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Arts/Entertainment

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Book "When Nations Die" Dr. Jim Nelson Black
Things That Kill A Nation

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Dissatisfied with traditional authorities, the culture elites turned their backs on values and traditions as old as the nation itself.
"Change for Change Sake"

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1. Increase in lawlessness
2. Loss of Economic discipline
3. Rising Bureaucracy
4. Decline in education
5. Weakening of Cultural foundations
6. Loss of respect for traditions
7. Increase in materialism
8. Rise of Immorality
9. Decay of religious beliefs
10. Devaluing of Human life

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Dr. Black states that, "the United states is the first nation in history where all ten symptoms are present in one society at one time."

Our Future

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Matthew 12:25

But Jesus knew their thoughts, and said to them: "Every **kingdom** divided against itself is brought to desolation, and every city or house divided against itself will not stand.

We Must Put the Ax Down

1. We Must Wake Up

2. We Must Stand Up

We Must Return To Our Roots

We must Return To Constitutional Government and Vote those who oppose it out

We must Live The Word of God

3. We Must Pray Up

4. We Must Look

VIDEO - YouTube Video: Reagan's Speech (<http://bit.ly/1wVkf2r>)