

## AMERICA IS A CHRISTIAN NATION 2022

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### July memory verse: Romans 6:14-16 (NKJV)

<sup>14</sup> For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

<sup>15</sup> What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not!

<sup>16</sup> Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin *leading* to death, or of obedience *leading* to righteousness?

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**Psalm 33:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD: and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.**

**Proverbs 14:34 Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.**

The year is 1620, the place the belly of a ship named the Mayflower.

The passengers and crew wrote a document called the Mayflower Compact,

They wrote, "Having undertaken for the Glory of God and advancement of the Christian Faith, we do solemnly and mutually in the presence of God and one another covenant and combine ourselves together."

By 1643 those same early Americans had become colonists. Feeling the time was right to establish a new government they composed our very first Constitution, known as the Constitution of the New England Confederation. They started with these words,

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“Whereas we all came into these parts of America with one and the same end and aim, namely to advance the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

In 1681 the great patriot William Penn stated, “if people are not governed by God, they will be ruled by tyrants.”

In 1772 our forefathers wrote on the Liberty Bell the words found in Leviticus 25:10

Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.

The fifty six signers of the Declaration of Independence said, We hereby pledged our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor.” Many of them gave all three. Four times in the Declaration of Independence they made specific reference to our dependence upon God for protection and provision, if this republic were to survive.

While working on the Constitution of the United States there came a point where the writers could not agree. Benjamin Franklin stood to speak and said, “ I have lived, Sirs a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this fact, that God governs in the affairs of men, and if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid? At that point they stopped and prayed and the problem was resolved.

George Washington, our first President, wrote the following statement, “ Being heartily sorry for my past sins and earnestly desiring forgiveness of the same from Almighty God through the merits of Jesus Christ, my Saviour and my Redeemer, I trust to have full forgiveness of all my sins and be assuredly saved and at the resurrection my soul and body shall rise with joy.”

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Patrick Henry, a patriot of the Revolutionary period, said, *"It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religion, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ.* How do those who deny that our nation had a Godly beginning ignore statements like this?

**John Jay** (December 12, 1745 – May 17, 1829) was an American statesman, [Patriot](#), diplomat, a [Founding Father of the United States](#), signer of the Treaty of Paris, and the first [Chief Justice of the United States](#) (1789–95).

**John Jay said "Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation to select and prefer Christians for their rulers"**. Not only did Mr. Jay refer to America as a 'Christian nation', but he also said that we should seek to have Christians as our leaders. This is why secularists do not like reading, or having others read, [quotes](#) like this from our founding fathers.

On July 20, 1956 a joint resolution of Congress adopted our national motto, "In God we trust."

All of the facts I just read to you used to be contained in the history books used in our public schools. Today you would not be able to find any of the facts in a public school text book. You will however, find them in history books used in Christian Schools and home schools.

**George Orwell the well known British author, whose real name was Eric Blair, said "He who controls the past controls the future.'**

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This is the basis for what is known as Historical revisionism . There are those who want history rewritten to remove any reference to God. If they can successfully remove any mention of God from our history books, they can make us like any other Godless nation or society. If they can erase God, they can erase Christian ethics and morality. All you would then be left with would be a society based on doing whatever you want, because there is no God. As Christians we need to be against Historical revisionism.

Many historians have wanted to secularize our founders. Take this quote from W.E. Woodward. He wrote that "The name of Jesus Christ is not mentioned even once in the vast collection of Washington's published letters."

Anyone who has read some of Washington's writing knows he mentions God and divine providence. But it isn't too difficult to also find times in which he mentions Jesus Christ. For example, when George Washington wrote to the Delaware Indian Chiefs (June 12, 1779) he said: "You do well to wish to learn our arts and ways of life, and above all, the religion of Jesus Christ. These will make you a greater and happier people than you are. Congress will do every thing they can to assist you in this wise intention."

Other examples are also available. For example, a well-worn, handwritten prayer book found among Washington's personal writings after his death had the name "Jesus Christ" used sixteen times.

The Bible teaches us to pray for our country and our leaders.

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**1 Timothy 2:1: I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men;**

**2: For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.**

**3: For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;**

God has promised to bless when his people call upon him.

**2 Chron:7:14: If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.**

This promise is for God's own people not the lost. The problem with America, is not the lost, but God's own people. We need to repent and start living for God AGAIN!

We are fortunate enough to live in a country with religious freedom.

This may not always be the case. We need to use this freedom to be able to tell people of their need for Jesus. As we heard earlier America was founded for the spread of the Gospel. We need to make sure we are not wasting our religious freedom, by not telling others about Jesus.

We often sing the Star Spangled Banner, but normally we sing only the first verse. Let me read to you from the last verse. These words were written by Frances Scott Key, on the morning of September 14, 1814, while he was held aboard a British war ship in Baltimore harbor.

**O, thus be it ever when freemen shall stand,  
Between their loved home and the war's desolation!  
Blest with victory and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land**

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**Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!  
Then conquer we must, when our cause. it is just,  
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust"  
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!**

**MAY GOD BLESS AMERICA, AS AMERICA BLESSES  
GOD!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

### **Declaration of Independence**

**In Congress, July 4, 1776, The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen 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.

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

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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...

### **There is then given a list of charges against the King of England**

#### **Closing statement :**

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the **Supreme Judge of the world** for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of **divine Providence**, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.

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Words in Red refer to our Almighty God!!!