

MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN

**GOODNESS IS
ALL ABOUT HOW
WE RESIST
BOWING TO THE
GOD OF POWER
AND
IMPORTANCE.**

**AMERICA PLACED
GOD FIRST!**

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is a journalist and author reminds and inspires us:

- Goodness must be at the heart of America
- Biblical principles to unite our nation, restore true greatness and
- Reshape our political rhetoric

AMERICA IS THE LAND OF OPPORTUNITY

- The Founding Fathers established America under the motto of "In God we trust" and that all men are created Equal and in the image of God.

- Pursue humility, love, and forgiveness- imitate the life of Jesus
- When kindness and truth meet, justice and peace shall kiss. -Psalm 85:10
- When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace. - Jimi Hendrix

DIFFERENCES MAKE US STRONGER: NOBODY WINS TO WE ALL WIN...

- E pluribus unum: "One from many." We are all different yet one.
- Mitakuye Oyasin: We are all related from the great Lakota Nation
- We are all one in Christ Jesus: -Galatians 3:28
- We all are made in the image of the one and only God

The Founding Fathers realized that we must have differences to be "one nation under God."

No two snowflakes are the same...differences create ideas and growth and ultimately unit

**AMERICA WAS
FOUNDED BY THOSE
SEEKING RELIGIOUS
AND POLITICAL
FREEDOM**

COMMON GOAL

LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, AND HELP EACH OTHER ON THE PATH TO SALVATION

- Common ground: I am much more likely to get to know you, appreciate you, and befriend you
- When I am sweating and working beside you.
- Military: all wear the same uniform, eat the same food, and take an oath of allegiance to the Constitution: So Me God.

TRUST GOD- LOVE ALL

- Engage and embrace all cultures and ethnicities- not a tower of Babel.
- God desires diversity and inclusivity
- America will become good again when it understands our strength is in community of "one from many."

MARXISM

- Marxism is, at heart, an atheistic philosophy with no room for belief in God. Karl Marx himself was clear on this point: "The first requisite of the happiness of the people is the abolition of religion" ("A Criticism of the Hegelian Philosophy of Right," 1844). Christianity, of course, is rooted in theism and is all about God.

POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS NOT NEW

- Jesus steps into a PC environment of his day and promotes a radical change:
- "The state is not our enemy: neither is the ruling class, wealthy, the poor, white males, etc."
- Jesus obliterates the us vs them mentality
- Render to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.
- Be lights to truth: God is bigger than the state, which exists only by God's grace and design

THERE IS NO US VS. THEM IT'S JUST US

- Universal respect for all: life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness
- Moral foundation that we all are created in the image of God
- When we minimize or eliminate God, the respect for life diminishes

POLITICAL CORRECTNESS (PC) IS ERODING THE FOUNDATION OF TOLERANCE AND UNITY

- Marxist root of PC in the Europe in the 1920's
- A subtle way to redefine language and symbols of culture
- Pit the working class against the ruling class: Us verses them mentality

"RIGHTEOUSNESS EXALTS A NATION."

-Proverbs 14:34

WHEN THE GOOD ARE UNAFRAID, EVIL HAS NO STRONGHOLD.

LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS:

TRULY A RELIGIOUS REVIVAL: AMERICAN REVOLUTION

- Rooted not in “The Communist Manifesto” but in the First Great Awakening in the mid-1700’s
- Stirred people’s hearts to biblical freedom and self-determination as a child of God
- Not of the ward of the state or caste systems

LET’S CELEBRATE OUR DIFFERENCES OPENLY AND CIVILLY TO DISPEL THE NOTION THAT “US VERSUS THEM” IS PART OF OUR NATIONAL NARRATIVE.

- Jesus’s model taught transparency, honesty, with love and compassion for one another
- Jesus’s model fosters freedom and despises intolerances or censorship
- Political Correctness is intellectual dishonesty with a diverse spirit.

AMERICA WILL BECOME GOOD AGAIN WHEN WE REALIZE IT’S ALWAYS BEEN JUST US.

FIND COMMON GROUND DESPITE OUR DIFFERENCES

- Christ-followers, Jesus prefers that we choose that we are inclusive especially those different from us.
- Jesus interacted and intersected with social outcasts (his disciples), the Samaritan woman at the well,
- Prostitutes and lepers.

“AMAZING THINGS HAPPEN WHEN GOD IS INVITED INTO THE CONVERSATION.”

- Being a Christ-follower is all about finding common ground with everyone.

CONVICTION BRINGS LOVE INTO THE SITUATION, WHEREAS CONDEMNATION LEAVES NO ROOM FOR LOVE.

- If we judge, we leave no room for love.... Mother Theresa
- Find common ground between themselves and God
- Open communication to establish friendship between others and God- we are Ambassadors for Christ

JESUS CONFRONTS US WITH THE TRUTH... THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE!

- Jesus did not tolerate sin, nor condemn the person committing it
- Jesus showed them a better way: love and forgiveness
- Ambassadors for Christ are north stars for the world-people of peace
- Exhibit tolerance and draws their hearts toward the Creator

“FOR GOD DID NOT SEND HIS SON INTO THE WORLD TO CONDEMN THE WORLD, BUT TO SAVE THE WORLD THROUGH HIM.” -JOHN 3:17