

American Renewal Project News

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



"Proudly flying the colors," Ambassador Dan Shapiro wrote on the embassy's Facebook page. He posted a photograph showing a rainbow colored flag flying alongside the American flag outside the embassy in Tel Aviv. "For the first time in history, the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv has raised the Pride flag together with our American flag," Shapiro wrote. "We are proud to join with the municipality of Tel Aviv-Yafo and its residents in celebrating LGBT Pride Week."

<http://www.redstate.com/diary/lifeofgrace/2014/06/11/ay-pride-flag-flies-us-embassy-tel-aviv/>

Having squandered our Judeo Christian heritage -- and its by-product a Christian culture -- one might ask, "When the foundations are destroyed what can the righteous do?"

A Call To Anguish -- David Wilkerson

"And I look at the whole religious scene today and all I see are inventions and ministries of man and the flesh. Its mostly powerless, it has no impact on the world.

Whatever happened to anguish in the house of God?

You find it in the book of Nehemiah, Jerusalem is in ruins. How is God going to deal with this? How is God going to restore the ruin? Folks, look at me, Jeremiah was not a preacher, he was a career man.

This was a praying man. God found a man who would not just have a flash of emotion. Not just some great sudden burst of concern and then let it die. He said "No. I broke down and I wept and I mourned and I fasted. Then I began to pray night and day."



Does it matter to you today, does it matter to you at all that God's spiritual Jerusalem, the church,

is now married to the world?

There is going to be no renewal, no revival, no awakening, until we are willing to let Him once again break us.

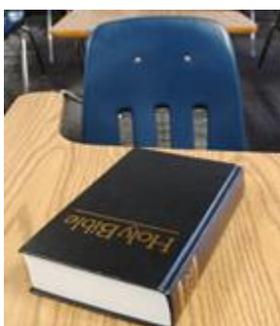
Please don't tell me, don't tell me you're concerned when you're spending hours in front of Internet or television."

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VghoMZPVppU&feature=player_embedded



The essence of a Christian foundation for civic government -- "*Righteousness exalts a nation*" -- is what sustains freedom. One cannot put too fine of a point on this: **freedom requires virtue**. America's fate lies in each generation integrating godly character into her children, generation after generation. Our Founders understood this and sought to ensure that this biblical foundation would be embedded in future generations.

In early America, the Church -- facilitated by the government -- would have attempted to win homosexuals to Christ, disciplining them in virtue and character, thereby, producing good citizens. Government promoted Christianity, morality was seen as an anchor of sustainable freedom. Study the Northwest Ordinance (1787) -- "*Religion, morality, and knowledge being necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged.*" -- arguably the single most important piece of legislation passed by members of the Continental Congress, other than the Declaration of Independence.



The Bible was established by the Founders as the principal textbook in America's classrooms for a reason. Fisher Ames -- author of the 1st Amendment -- later complained, "*We have a dangerous trend beginning to take place in our education. We're starting to put more and more textbooks into our schools. We've become accustomed of late of putting little books into the hands of children containing fables and moral lessons. We are spending less time in the classroom on the Bible, which should be the principal text of our schools.*"

The question has to be "Why?", why did the Founders establish teaching the Bible as the principle text in public schools? It's simple, fear of God in conscience is the only thing that keeps one honest, doing right, when no one is looking. Freedom is viable only if its citizens, on the whole, can be relied on to operate with integrity and character. Government is not going to save America.

God's wisdom -- given to those who have "*sought*", "*cried*", and "*searched*" for it -- places its possessor in positions of high position, society status and authority. Wisdom plunges into the

center of the public square where competition is fiercest, the very core of politics, Wall Street and Media. God's wisdom -- and its neighbors: shrewdness, understanding, cleverness, counsel, competence, and power -- allows *"kings to reign, and rulers to decree justice."*

Spiritually, *"Remember that the heavenly Father to whom you pray has no favorites. He will judge or reward you according to what you do. So you must live in reverent fear of him during your time as "foreigners in the land." For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And the ransom he paid was not mere gold or silver. It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God."* 1 Peter 1:17-19



God will never have it forgotten that the Cross is the basis of all blessing, and that those who toy with God -- individuals or nations -- do so at their own risk. Sin to God must be a hideous thing, that such a sacrifice was required for its atonement.

Will a Gideon or Rahab the Harlot please make a stand.

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