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THE REAL MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

Isaiah 9:6 (KJV)

⁶ For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Does it seem like life gets busier and busier? Or is it just my own individual impression? Here it is Christmas time again (doesn't it show up every year around December 25th?) and all of the last minute shopping, appointments, and mailings seem to get larger and larger.

It is interesting isn't it, that Father God sent Jesus to bring "peace" to the world, and under the pretense of "celebrating" His Birth, we sometimes have tendencies to get so caught up in the hustle and bustle of the "season," that we really need to take time to meditate on what Christmas is really about.

Many of us have heard the argument that Christmas has become "too commercial." And I understand what you are saying, but each one of us has a choice to either buy into the "commercialism" of Christmas or reflect on the real meaning of the Christmas Child.

Since the time of the fall of Adam, mankind has been struggling with his relationship with God. Take three steps forward and fall four steps back, never seeming to be able to "connect" with Jehovah God.

In Galatians chapter 4 verses 4 and 5, we read: "But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law that we might receive the adoption of sons."

There was a "time" set forth before the foundation of the world, for God to send forth His Son to restore to mankind all that Adam had lost in the garden.

Who could imagine that the King of Kings and Lord of Lords would be born in such lowly and humble surroundings because there was no room at the Inn? I find it interesting that it appears that the first individuals to visit the newborn King were "shepherds," coming to see the GREAT SHEPHERD OF THE CHURCH! I believe that God was showing us the importance that shepherds have in the functioning of the Church to help lead and guide us.

So what is the real meaning of Christmas? I believe the answer to that question is in the Word of God in John chapter 3 and verse 16: "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

The real meaning of Christmas is that God loved **YOU** SO MUCH that HE GAVE JESUS (His only begotten Son) so that we can be restored back to a right relationship with Him! I am reminded of a chorus that is sung in the Church: "Oh how I love Jesus, Oh how I love Jesus because He first loved me." HE LOVED US FIRST! While we were not necessarily "loveable." He loved us.....THE REAL MEANING OF CHRISTMAS! YOU ARE LOVED!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS!

Kathy and I want you to know how much your prayers and financial support of this ministry is so appreciated. Together, we are going into the entire world to spread the Kingdom of God, but without you we just couldn't get it done. Thanks so very much, working until Jesus comes, we CALL YOU BLESSED IN JESUS NAME!

It is our great pleasure to love you and pray for you.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Pastor Dave and Kathy



AMERICAN MINUTE WITH BILL FEDERER

WASHINTON'S WARNED OF COUPS TO USURP POWER BY COURTS, POLITICAL PARTIES, AND DEEP STATE

President William Henry Harrison stated in his Inaugural Address, March 4, 1841: "The **danger** to all well-established free governments arises from the **unwillingness of the people** to believe in...**the influence of designing men**...This is the old trick of those who would usurp the government of their country."

Harrison added usurpers would use obfuscation and deflection n their campaigning: "In the name of democracy they speak, warning the people against the influence of wealth and the danger of aristocracy...The tendencies of all such governments in their decline is to monarchy...and, like the false Christs whose coming was foretold by the Savior, seeks to, and were it possible would, imp0ose upon the true and most faithful disciples of liberty.

It is in periods like this that it behooves the people to be **most watchful** of those to whom they have **intrusted power."**

Ben Franklin warned of people's inclination to surrender power to government, June 2, 1787: "There is scarce a king in a hundred who would not, if he could, follow the example of Pharaoh...get first all the people's money, then all their lands, and then make them and their children servants forever...

There is a **natural inclination** in mankind to **kingly government** ...I am apprehensive...that the government of the States may, **in future times, end** in a monarchy."

In 1961, Ronald Reagan warned of socialism being instituted through a medical healthcare crisis: "One of the traditional methods of imposing statism or

socialism is **medicine**. It is easy to **disguise a medical program** as a humanitarian project...If you don't stop this...behind it will come other federal programs that will **invade every area of freedom...**until one day we will awake and find we have **socialism...**We want no further **encroachment** on these individual liberties and freedoms."

Washington added in his Farewell Address: "The **spirit of encroachment** tends to **consolidate the powers** of all the departments **in one**, and thus to create, whatever the form of government, **a real despotism**.

A just estimate of that **love of power**, and **proneness to abuse it**, which predominates the human heart is sufficient to satisfy us of the truth of this position.

The necessity of **reciprocal checks** in the exercise of **political power**; by dividing and distributing it into different depositories, and constituting each of the Guardian of the Public Weal (welfare) against invasions by the others, has been envinced by experiments ancient and modern; some of them in our country and under our own eyes. To preserve them must be as necessary as to institute them."

President Trump stated July 3, 2020: "A growing danger that threatens every blessing...Angry mobs are trying to tear down statues...deface our most sacred memorials, and unleash a wave of violent crime...Some know exactly what they are doing...One of their political weapons is...shaming dissenters, and demanding total submission from anyone who disagrees. This is the very definition of totalitarianism... This left-wing cultural revolution is designed to overthrow the American Revolution.

2nd Chronicles 7:14,

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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.