

Seven (7) Reasons Why God's People and America are Perishing from Lack of Knowledge!

In the recent article released by the *American Renewal Project* they said in reference to the following quote, that this is America, three generations removed from George Washington...

*"The next generation did **not** know God, nor remembered His miracles that founded the nation..."*

While this is absolutely true, this statement only gives us a glimpse of why we are reaping what we (God's people) have sown in this nation!

The other part of the answer is found in Proverbs 14:34 (NKJV) which says, **"Righteousness exalts a nation, But SIN is a reproach to any people."**

Let me ask you a question. Is God talking about the sins of the lost, or the sins of His people in this scripture?

God's Word is talking about the sins of His people who are supposed to know by His Word what sin is and avoid it by **walking** according to the Spirit! For, without God's law written in His Word we do not know what sin is based on Romans 3:20 (NKJV) which says, **"Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, FOR BY THE LAW IS THE KNOWLEDGE OF SIN."**

Now let's define the word **"sin"** as used in Romans 3:20 above. According to *Strong's Greek Lexicon* Number **G266** the Greek word for **"sin"** is **"hamartia"** pronounced **"ham-ar-tee'-ah"** from [G264](#); *sin* (properly abstract): - offence, sin (-ful).

In addition, *Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon* expounds on the meaning of the word as follows: 1a) to be without a share in 1b) **to miss the mark** 1c) to err, be mistaken 1d) to miss or wander from the path of uprightness and honour, to do or go wrong 1e) **to wander from the law of God, violate God's law**, sin 2) that which is done wrong, sin, **an offence, a violation of the divine law in thought or in act** 3) collectively, the complex or aggregate of sins committed either by a single person or by many.

Again, based on Proverbs 14:34 above, it is the sin of God's people who are violating His law based on our ignorance of the **whole** counsel of His Word which is bringing reproach upon our nation!

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Therefore, the good news is if we are the ones causing the demise of our nation due to our sins, then it stands to reason that only God's people can save our nation as well!

As a matter of fact, in 2 Chronicles 7:14 God tell us who He is holding accountable. As you know this scripture begins with "**If His people** will..." 1) humble ourselves 2) pray 3) seek His face 4) turn from our wicked ways ONLY then WILL He 1) hear from heaven 2) forgive our sins 3) heal our land. We must meet all four requirements for God to heal our land! This is not just talking about God healing our nation! It is also talking about God healing "our" marriages, our family, our finances, our illnesses, our diseases, etc.

Moreover, as conveyed in my first book that I wrote back in 2004 titled, *Shattered Dreams—Wake Up America Before It Is Too Late!* the "root" cause of why we are witnessing the demise of America is because God's people, NOT the lost, have forsaken and rejected God, our Creator, and we have left our first love—Jesus Christ!

The answer to saving ourselves, our families, and our nation is so simple, yet we still do NOT understand! Jesus says to us in John 14:15, "*If* you love me, **obey** my commandments."

And, until we return back to the ancient paths of being in a covenant relationship with God, our Creator by placing our faith and trust in His Son, Jesus Christ, which will be evidenced by us **obeying** and **standing** on His Word, we will continue on our downward spiral!

Read the curses of Deuteronomy 28 and you will know what I am conveying is the truth! When **WE** break covenant with Yahweh by being disobedient to His voice and His Word, God is under no obligation to protect us, guide us, or provide for us! Why? We are out of covenant with Him!

Yahweh gives us, His children, the free will to decide for ourselves whether we will reap blessings or curses; OR life versus death in Deuteronomy 28. **If** we, His children, want to receive God's covenant blessings, Yahweh spells out what we must do to keep our end of the covenant in Deuteronomy 28:1-2 which says, "*Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently **obey** the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully **all** (not to pick and choose which ones we want to obey) His commandments which I command you today, that the LORD your God will set you high **above all nations of the earth. And **all** these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, **because** you **obey** the voice of the LORD your God.***"

In addition, this covenant promise God made with all His people in Deuteronomy 28:1-2 also applies to New Covenant believers because in Deuteronomy 29:14 (NKJV) it specifically says in regard to **this covenant** and **this oath** which Yahweh commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel (all twelve tribes of Israel) in the land of Moab, and this same covenant was renewed (confirmed) in Horeb, "*I make **this covenant** and **this***

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oath, not with you alone, but with him who stands here with us today before the LORD our God, as well as with HIM WHO IS NOT HERE WITH US TODAY.”

God really wants His people to get this indisputable truth according to His Word! Jesus confirmed (ratified) the old covenant with His precious blood and became the mediator of the New Covenant where God now puts **His** law on our minds and writes them on our hearts based on Jeremiah 31:31-33 and Hebrews 8:8-12.

Also, notice that in Deuteronomy 28:1-2 it says that as a result of obeying the voice of the Lord our God and being careful to observe all His commandments only then will God set us high above all the nations of the earth.

Our founding fathers of this great nation understood this covenant promise from God our Creator, when they penned our founding documents. And, this is one of the reasons why God did indeed set America above all the other nations of the earth! America used to be a nation comprised of a moral and religious people who lived according to God’s commandments and His voice. As a matter of fact, this is confirmed by John Adams who said, *“**Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.**”*

Therefore, my question to those of you reading this is as follows: *“Is our US constitution no longer adequate to be the law of our land, or does the real problem stem from the spiritual darkness inhabiting the hearts of “We the People” who, for the most part, are no longer a moral and religious people because we have forsaken God, our Creator, and His Word, which is His Son Jesus Christ who was manifested in the flesh?”*

Just like our US Constitution is the law of our land in America, the old covenant Yahweh established through His servant Moses in the Old Testament is God’s law (Torah) and His instructions for **all** His people to live by while we are on the earth. Our obedience to God’s law gives us the opportunity to inherit the covenant promises God gave to Abraham—the father of many nations, as a result of the **everlasting** covenant we in Christendom refer to as the Abrahamic Covenant that is still in effect to this very day!

Moreover, according to the Apostle Paul in Hebrews 8:7-8 below, one of the reasons the first covenant God established through His servant Moses which was ratified (confirmed) by the blood of Jesus, who because the mediator of the New Covenant, was because God found fault with His people’s inability to keep the terms and conditions of being in a covenant relationship with Him as it is to this **very** day! Therefore He disregarded them!

*“For if that first **covenant** had been faultless, then no place would have been sought for a second. **BECAUSE FINDING FAULT WITH THEM**, He says: “Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the **house of Israel** and with **the house of Judah** not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them*

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by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; **BECAUSE THEY DID NOT CONTINUE IN MY COVENANT**, and **I DISREGARDED THEM**, says the LORD. For this **is the covenant** that I will make with the **house of Israel** after those days, says the LORD: I will put **My laws** in **their mind** and **write them on their hearts**; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. None of them shall teach his neighbor, and none his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them. For **I will be merciful to their unrighteousness**, and **their sins** and **their LAWLESS DEEDS** I will remember no more." ~ Hebrews 8:7-12 (NKJV)

In addition, this was one of the reasons God sent His one and only begotten son Jesus Christ to die for us—to set us free from the law of sin and death! This is substantiated in Romans 8:2-24 below!

*"For the law of **the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus** has made me **free** from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, **God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled IN US who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.**" ~ Romans 8:2-4 (NKJV)*

Do NOT miss the significance of what the Apostle Paul is saying when he proclaims **"the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled IN US [Jesus' disciples] who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit."**

Does this sound like nothing is required of us, Jesus' disciples, because of what Jesus did on the cross? Yet, this is what many are teaching and believe in the body of Christ that are preaching the hyper grace message. God's grace does NOT give us a license to sin, rather it empowers us to walk in the Spirit rather than our flesh so we can obey God's Word and do the work He has called us to do as WE establish His Kingdom on the earth.

Moreover, **after** we come into a covenant relationship with our heavenly Father by placing our faith and trust in His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, we are SUPPOSED to DIE TO SIN as we become discipled according to His Word and submit to His Holy Spirit who sanctifies us. Every sin we committed before, when we were lost, is wiped clean and we begin our walk with the Lord with a clean slate and this is why there is now no more condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus!

However, after we become saved, **if** we do sin, then we are to confess our sins to God and He will forgive our sins as we forgive others who have sinned against us. Only then will God no longer remember the sins we have confessed and been forgiven of! Then He expects us to STOP sinning in that area because we have the same

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power which raised Christ from the dead living in us to give us God's grace to be victorious no matter what obstacles we must overcome!

Therefore, we are to never use His mercy to intentionally sin once we come to the knowledge of His terms and agreements of being in a covenant relationship with Him which is obeying His voice and His Word!

It is one thing for God's people to occasionally break His commandments, however, when a long train of abuses occur, intentional or due to our ignorance of His Word, then we are breaking covenant with Him! And, as such, we come out from the umbrella of His providence, protection and provision in our lives.

Again, a covenant is a legally binding contact between two parties, each agreeing to keep the terms and conditions of the contract. In addition, all of God's covenants are ratified by blood, and only the blood of Jesus **permanently** has redeemed all mankind for the forgiveness of our sins obtaining ETERNAL redemption for those who believe in Him, thereby doing away with the sacrificial system which was previously used to only pass over the sins of the people under the old covenant. This is based on Hebrews 9:11-14 below.

*“But **Christ came as High Priest** of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. **Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained ETERNAL redemption.** For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall **the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?**” ~ Hebrews 9:11-14 (NKJV)*

Therefore, Jesus Christ did indeed do away with the **“sacrificial”** requirements of the law and **the curse** of NOT keeping the **letter of the law**, which is sin and death according to Romans 8:2, **“For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.”**

However, Jesus Christ did NOT do away with the law which He established before the foundation of the world and allows us, His disciples, to know what sin against God is based on Romans 3:20.

Therefore, it is because we love the Lord God with all our mind, heart, soul, and strength that we will want to obey His voice and His commandments because more than anything else we want to please and serve the One who has captured our heart and saved our soul. And, it is only by us having a personal intimate relationship with God our Creator and His Son, Jesus Christ, will we be led and submit ourselves to His Holy Spirit who will lead us into all truth, especially His truth.

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Furthermore, the sanctification by the Holy Spirit is a lifelong process and requires action on our part which begins by our submission and trust in Jesus Christ as the Lord of our lives, including the parts that we think we can handle. This is why the Apostle Paul tells us we must work out our salvation with fear and trembling in Philippians 2:12.

In addition, Jesus Christ is the Word made flesh and He was and still is the **“living”** Torah! As Jesus’ disciples we would be too, **IF** we were following God’s law that He has now put on our minds and written on our hearts based on the **whole** counsel of His Word!

Moreover, **all The Ten Commandments** are reiterated in the New Testament, including keeping the seventh day Sabbath which is not only the **fourth** commandment of *The Ten Commandments*; it is also a perpetual COVENANT for all generations based on Exodus 31:17 below. There are many other scriptures concerning honoring and keeping the Sabbath Day Yahweh established and defined—on the seventh (7) day of the week which is **a sign** between Yahweh and the children of Israel **forever** that I have an entire writing devoted to concerning this one commandment of the ten we are breaking for many different reasons!

*“Therefore the children of Israel shall **keep the Sabbath**, to **observe the Sabbath throughout their generations as a perpetual covenant**. It [the Sabbath] **IS A SIGN** ¹ [mark] between Me and the children of Israel **forever**; for in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, and on the **seventh** day He rested and was refreshed.”* ~ Exodus 31:16-17 (NKJV)

¹ According to Strong’s Hebrew Lexicon Number **H226** the word **“sign”** as used in Exodus 31:16-17 above is the Hebrew word “ôth” pronounced *oth* probably from **H225** (in the sense of *appearing*); a *signal* (literally or figuratively), as a *flag, beacon, monument, omen, prodigy, evidence*, etc.: - **mark**, miracle, (en-) sign, token.

Yahweh clearly defines which day we are to remember and keep the Sabbath Day—it is the seventh day not the first day of the week based on Exodus 20:8-11 and Leviticus 23:1-3 below.

*“Remember the **Sabbath day, to keep it holy**. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the **seventh day is the Sabbath** of the LORD your God. **In it you shall do no work**: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. For **in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day**. Therefore **the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it**.”* ~ Exodus 20:8-11 (NKJV)

*And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to **the children of Israel**, and say to them: ‘**The feasts of the LORD**, which you shall proclaim to be **holy convocations**, these are **My feasts**. ‘Six days shall work be done, but the **seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation**.”*

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*You shall do **no work on it**; it is **the Sabbath of the LORD** in all your dwellings.” ~ Leviticus 23:1-3 (NKJV)*

Furthermore, some might argue that keeping the seventh day Sabbath is not commanded in the New Testament but it is if you dig for the proper Greek translation of the word “rest”! I just love those translators who murk up the living water so it causes confusion (I am being sarcastic)!

This command to keep the seventh day Sabbath is in Hebrews 4:1-13 below. I have put the Greek meaning of the word rest in brackets []. Because the word rest as used in this passage of scripture has many different meanings! As you can clearly see the Apostle Paul is talking about God’s command to keep the seventh day Sabbath in Hebrews 4:4-5 below and I have highlighted in yellow those areas that confirm this is what the Apostle Paul is declaring still stands when he specifically states in Hebrews 4:8-10 below **THERE REMAINS THEREFORE A REST FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD**. And, that day is defined in Hebrews 4:4-5 as the seventh day.

*“Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His **rest**¹ [reposing down abode], let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it. For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. For we who have believed do enter that **rest**¹ [reposing down abode], as He has said: “So I swore in My wrath, ‘They shall **not** enter My **rest**¹ [reposing down, abode],’ although the works **were finished from the foundation of the world.**” ~ Hebrews 4:1-4 (NKJV)*

*“For He has spoken in a certain place of the **seventh day** in this way: “And God **rested**² [desist; ceased striving to do something; to be still; quiet; restrain] on the **seventh day** from **all His works**”; and again in this place: “They shall not enter My **rest**.¹ [reposing down, abode]” ~ Hebrews 4:4-5 (NKJV)*

*“Since therefore it remains that some **must enter it**, and those **to whom it was first preached did not enter because of disobedience**, again **HE DESIGNATES A CERTAIN DAY**, saying in David, “Today,” after such a long time, as it has been said: “Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts.” ~ Hebrews 4:6-7 (NKJV)*

*“For if Joshua [Jesus] had given them **rest**,² [desist; ceased striving to do something; to be still; quiet; restrain] then He would not afterward have spoken of another day. **THERE REMAINS THEREFORE A REST**³ [keeping Sabbath] **FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD. FOR HE WHO HAS ENTERED HIS REST**¹ [reposing down, abode] **HAS HIMSELF ALSO CEASED FROM HIS WORKS AS GOD DID FROM HIS.**” ~ Hebrews 4:8-10 (NKJV)*

*“Let us therefore be diligent to enter that **rest**¹ [reposing down, abode], lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience. For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. And **there is no***

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creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.” ~ Hebrews 4:11-13 (NKJV)

¹ According to *Strong's Greek Lexicon Number G2663* the word “rest” is the Greek word “*katapausis*” pronounced *kat-ap'-ow-sis* From [G2664](#); *reposing down*, that is, (by Hebraism) *abode*: - rest. Thayer's definition is as follows: 1) a putting to rest 1a) calming of the winds 2) a resting place 2a) metaphorically the heavenly blessedness in which God dwells, and of which he has promised to make persevering believers in Christ partakers after the toils and trials of life on earth are ended.

² According to *Strong's Greek Lexicon Number G2664* the meaning for this particular “rest” is the Greek word “*katapauō*” pronounced *kat-ap-ow'-o* from [G2596](#) and [G3973](#); to *settle down*, that is, (literally) to *colonize*, or (figuratively) to (*cause to*) **desist**: - **cease**, (give) rest (-rain). Thayer's Definition is as follows: 1) to make quiet, to cause to be at rest, to grant rest 1a) to lead to a quiet abode 1b) to still, restrain, to cause (one striving to do something) to desist 2) to rest, take rest

³ According to *Strong's Greek Lexicon Number G4520* the word “rest” used here is the Greek word “*sabbatismos*” pronounced *sab-bat-is-mos'* From a derivative of [G4521](#); a “sabbatism”, that is, (figuratively) the *repose* of Christianity (as a type of heaven): - rest. Thayer's Definition: 1) **a keeping Sabbath** 2) the blessed rest from toils and troubles looked for in the age to come by the true worshippers of God and true Christians

Furthermore, if you truly believe that the Apostle Paul, who was Jewish and “the” Pharisees of all Pharisees before his “Damascus” encounter took place, kept the Sabbath Day on the first day of the week, rather than on the seventh day as commanded by Yahweh and practiced by Jesus, His disciples, and ESPECIALLY by the Jews when Paul was Jewish, then you need to dig deeper into the **whole** counsel of God's Word to discover the rest of the story.

Following is an excellent interpretation of Acts 20:7 and why the disciples were meeting on the first day of the week which had to do with the Feast of Firstfruits which follows Passover and the feast of Unleavened Bread. All of Yahweh's holy convocations/feasts have Sabbath Day(s) plural, which are in addition to the seventh day Sabbath!

Did early Christians meet on Sunday?

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u7DsBiqvJt0&feature=c4-overview&list=UUNu6rN8EVic93ZmZXJ4SVPA>

Moreover, if you read the whole passage of scripture in Acts 20 in CONTEXT, Paul is saying in Acts 20:6 that he sailed away from Philippi **after the Days of Unleavened Bread**, and in five days joined them at Troas, where he stayed seven days. This is exactly how long the feast of Unleavened Bread lasts—seven days! Then in Acts 20:16 Paul is in a hurry to be at Jerusalem to celebrate Pentecost!

Therefore, this is the order that Yahweh's holy convocations/feasts take place that the Apostle Paul was still keeping! 1) Passover 2) Feast of Unleavened Bread 3) Feast of Firstfruits 4) Pentecost

Moreover, when Jesus, His disciples, including the Apostle Paul, taught and preached it was according to the Torah and Book of the Prophets because the New Testament was NOT written yet!

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This misunderstanding by the body of Christ concerning the Sabbath Day as being the first day of the week is because Christendom for the most part, does not know about or practice Yahweh's seven (7) feasts/holy convocations according to His Word, because we are taught they were written for only the Jews when this simply is NOT TRUE. Moreover, the Roman Catholic Church changed the Sabbath Day from the seventh day to the first day, substituted Easter for Passover and the Feast of Tabernacles when Jesus was really born to December 25th the same day of Baal birthday! They are the ones who came up with ChristMAS! The following writing will tell you all the sordid details of how the Vatican and the Roman Catholic Church says their authority is above the Bible! Unfortunately, most denominations of Christianity were birthed from the Roman Catholic Church and hold onto the perverted, doctrine and traditions of men thereof.

Times and Laws Changed by Rome

<http://www.remnantofgod.org/romeadmits.htm>

What I would like to know the answer to is why the leaders in the body of Christ still hold fast to these perverted teachings by the Roman Catholic Church which is contrary to what God's Word says? Surely they did research in seminary and know what God's Word says. And, I know they read the Old Testament because they latched onto the 10% tithe requirement for sure!

Below is a bonus video you WILL DEFINITELY WANT TO WATCH!

In video #1 this young man is talking about the *spiritual* meaning of the Mark of the Beast which I believe is viable based on all the scriptures concerning the Sabbath Day. While in video #2 he is talking about how the physical manifestation of the Mark of the Beast will probably be accomplished via the RFID chip. I was going to hold off in sharing this information until I release my writing titled, "*Come Out of Babylon My People.*" However, the New World Order is already getting us ready to embrace the RFID chip as they are starting to get our kids used to using biometrics for identification purposes.

The Mark Of The Beast Is NOT A Microchip! (HD) Part 1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hgHoVZhTkI4>

The Mark Of The Beast Is NOT A Microchip! (HD) Part 2

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ADqnak6yUBg&list=PLmFP0XdL1F52RWH3yJtMFIsMfLVEB6ObT>

Therefore, based on this one example of how the body of Christ is breaking the fourth commandment of the Ten Commandments, and which is also a perpetual covenant God established, it amazes me how we as Christians continually have a conniption fit over *The Ten Commandments* being taken out of the public square and our schools, yet we would be doing well if we would know them and keep them ourselves! Especially given the fact, that under the New Covenant God has now put His law on our minds and written them on our hearts!

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Do we realize how many of us in Christendom are breaking covenant with God because we believe the Old Testament is not relevant to New Covenant believers and we erroneously believe Jesus did away with the law He confirmed (ratified) with His blood? Which is a shame because at least some of us embrace the gifts of the Spirit based on the truth of God's Word, yet we are totally disregarding His moral law as written in the Torah. Moreover, we are also disregarding His holy convocations/feast too in lieu of embracing pagan holidays based on the Roman Catholic Church and the traditions of men.

In addition, if the traditions of men that we all love dearly and hold onto are not in God's Word or based on God's Word, then why are we keeping them? And, if the Holy Spirit has convicted us concerning these matters and we refuse to respond but keep practicing them anyway, then our sins turn into transgressions for we are clearly in disobedience to God and His Word. And, if we keep ignoring God's warnings or correction, then our sins turn into iniquity. There comes a point in time when God will give us over to a debased mind as talked about in Romans 1:18-31 where curses, destruction, and death will ensue unless we repent. And, this is where we find ourselves in America at this time because we have broken covenant with God, our Creator and His Son Jesus Christ!

Then, on the other hand, there are many believers in the Hebraic roots movement who are trampling on the *Spirit of Grace* and are discrediting the work of the cross and the precious blood which Jesus willingly shed for us by trying to keep the ***letter of the law*** in order to be made right with God! Those who are doing so, have a "religious" or a "legalistic" spirit that they need to be delivered from. Because we are NOT made right with God by keeping the *letter of the law*, rather we are saved and justified by the finished work of Jesus Christ period! And, some of these same people are NOT fully embracing and walking in the gifts of the Spirit, which gives them a form of godliness but denies the power thereof.

In order to worship God in both Spirit and in Truth, we must embrace and walk fully in the giftings of the Holy Spirit and obey His law too so we prepare ourselves as His bride without spot or blemish!

In addition, there is a fine line between being obedient to God's law versus becoming legalistic by trying to be right with God by living according to the ***letter of the law*** instead of being led by the Spirit. However, there are believers who are walking in the gifts of the Spirit yet on judgment day they will be mortified to learn that their disregard for God's law and obedience to His voice and His Word, will result in Jesus saying to them, "I never knew you" instead of hearing Him say, "Well done my good and faithful servant."

We are told the reason why Jesus says this in Matthew 7:22-23, "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' And then I will declare to them, '***I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!***'"

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The word “*lawlessness*” as used in this passage of scripture is synonymous with “*iniquity*” which in the Greek is the word “*anomia*” which means violation of the law. Whose law? God’s law!

As a matter of fact, listen to what the Apostle Paul tells us in Romans 3:31 (NKJV) “*Do we then make **void the law through faith? Certainly not! On the contrary, WE ESTABLISH THE LAW.***”

Therefore, if we know what God’s Word requires, yet we choose not to apply it to every area of our lives which includes us, God’s people, taking a stand concerning the issues perpetuating the moral depravity in our society which go against God and His Word, are we really Jesus’ disciples? We may say we are Christians, but have we made God and His Word the only authority we will bow down to? Or, do we want to be all inclusive and not offend anyone except God? We are entering into times where there will NOT be peace on the earth and standing up for Jesus will bring division even in our own household.

“Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. For I have come to ‘set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law’; and ‘a man’s enemies will be those of his own household.’”
~ Matthew 10:34-36 (NKJV)

*“Do you suppose that I came to give peace on earth? I tell you, **not at all, but rather division.** For from now on five in one house will be divided: three against two, and two against three.”* ~ Luke 12:51-52 (NKJV)

Look at the Book of Acts church and this is exactly where we are being shifted back to in this hour. God’s church will become a House of Prayer for all nations and we will do even greater exploits than Jesus did because we are coming against the kingdom of the Antichrist!

In this hour, God is calling many of His people to be repairers of the breach despite all the controversy and ridicule for doing so. Why? Because as it was in the beginning so it shall be in the end! Hence, the purpose of this writing and many others I will be releasing in the days ahead.

In conclusion, following are seven (7) reasons why God’s people and our nation ARE perishing from lack of knowledge:

1. We do NOT read and study God’s Word for ourselves.

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2. We do NOT take the time to establish a personal intimate relationship with our heavenly Father—Yahweh and His Son Jesus Christ. Therefore, we do NOT know on a personal intimate basis the God of the Bible when John 17:1-5 below tells us this **IS** eternal life!

*Jesus spoke these words as He lifted up His eyes to heaven, He said, “Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. **AND THIS IS ETERNAL LIFE, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.** ~ John 17:1-5 (NKJV)*

3. We do NOT **apply** God’s Word to the way we live our lives, the way we vote, and what we profess to believe. And, do we realize our walk and our “fruit” will reflect truly what we believe in our heart? This is why many Christians do not walk the talk and the lost call us hypocrites! One example which readily comes to mind is that we now have many who profess they are Christians, that are taking a stand for gay marriage and civil unions!

Concerning same-sex marriage, God’s Word is very clear on this issue, because God established and defined the marriage covenant between one man and one woman at the beginning of time and He has NOT changed His mind! Yet, many Christians say they believe it is good for same sex people to be able to marry one another because they love each other and should be entitled to the same benefits of married heterosexual couples. While it is good to have a compassionate heart, and love the person, but hate the sin, we either stand on the Word of God or we don’t! As Christians, if we do NOT stand on what the Word of God says on this issue, or any other issue, then we have nothing to offer the lost, because we are lost ourselves.

My heart was broken to hear Carrie Underwood is endorsing gay marriage because up until this was announced she seemed to be a devoted Christian who God has blessed with a phenomenal singing career to give Him glory which she has. How can a Christian who was raised in the church endorse gay marriage? How does this happen? Have we grown so accustomed to hearing about the love and mercy of God that we no longer have the reverential fear of Him? Or, is it we truly don’t believe the entire Word of God is true, only the parts **we** agree with?

However, I was not at all surprised to hear about the pope doing so because all this is leading up to the Harlot Religious System of the One World Order.

Carrie Underwood Endorses Gay Marriage In A Truly Christian Way

<http://www.bing.com/search?q=carrie+underwood+supports+gay+marriage&q=AS&pq=carrie+underwood+supports&sc=6-25&sp=1&FORM=QBRE&cvid=3020195180f844649897bde1f9034a01>

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Pope Francis: Church could support civil unions

<http://religion.blogs.cnn.com/2014/03/05/pope-francis-church-could-support-civil-unions/>

For **every** decision we as believers in Christ need to take a stand on, we must seek to understand what God's Word says concerning a matter. God's Word is the ONLY authority we need to embrace and take a stand on! And, then our mantra must be, "*It is written...*"

4. We do **NOT** understand what a covenant is and the fact that all of God's everlasting covenants build on each other and until heaven and earth pass away His Word and all His covenants stands firm forevermore! Moreover, God swore by Himself to protect, uphold, and defend His everlasting covenants! In addition, we have lost the reverential fear of God Almighty which is the beginning of wisdom. All we talk about or hear about is the loving merciful God, yet if you read the Old Testament and the Book of the Prophets you will understand God's other characteristics as well. And as Malachi 3:6 says, "*I am the Lord, I do not change...*"

5. We do **NOT** understand our Hebraic roots in Christianity! We do **NOT** understand that God has only one set of instructions for all His people—the Bible which includes all 66 books! Yahweh's Law (Torah) are His written instructions for all His people to live by, which were written by His servant Moses and are found in the first five books of our Bible. Yahweh's law (Torah) is also referred to as the Law of Moses, or the Mosaic Law. Therefore, our heaven Father Yahweh really wants His people to get these indisputable truths:
 - ✚ We all have one heavenly Father who is God, our Creator. His name is Yahweh, not Allah! And, He is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Israel). Moreover, He is the God of His Hebrew people who have crossed over from Egypt (the world) into eternal life by their faith and trust in His one and only begotten Son, Jesus Christ who is the Savior of the world and the Lord of their lives.

 - ✚ We all have one Redeemer who is God's one and only begotten Son, Jesus Christ whom Yahweh sent to be the mediator of the New Covenant that was ratified by His precious blood. And, now instead of God's laws being written on two tablets of stones, He has now put His laws on our minds and written them on our hearts! And, because we have received His Holy Spirit, we now have no excuse for NOT keeping His commandments, His statutes and His judgments because we have His grace which enables us to "do" His will and live holy because He is holy! Contrary to what is being taught and embraced by many in the body of Christ His grace does NOT give us a license to sin!

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✚ Moreover, Jesus ratified the New Covenant with His precious blood for the forgiveness of our sins and to bring us back into a covenant relationship with our heavenly Father Yahweh based on the terms and conditions of the old covenant He established through His servant Moses--the law (Torah). And, the old covenant was established with God's people (**all twelve tribes of Israel**) as a result of the everlasting covenant Yahweh established with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Israel).

✚ Therefore, both the Jews from the *House of Judah* and those of us who were formerly Gentiles from the *House of Israel* (Jacob/Joseph/Ephraim) who were grafted into the commonwealth of Israel **by our faith and trust in Jesus Christ** only have one book of instruction—the Bible, which includes all sixty-six books from Genesis to the Book of Revelation. Again, God does NOT have a separate set of instructions for the Jews from the *House of Judah* and those of us who were formerly Gentiles from the *House of Israel* (Jacob/Joseph/Ephraim). We are all one by our faith in Jesus Christ, and as such, His people are to worship God both in Spirit and in Truth based on the whole counsel of His Word.

6. We do NOT accept personal accountability! Until we accept personal accountability and STOP playing the blame game, we will NOT turn the tide for our nation or reap God's covenant promises in our lives! And, instead we will continue to reap curses, not blessings, and destruction and death rather than life and liberty! The only way to save ourselves, our families, and our nation is to repent of our sins, STOP sinning, and return back to God, our Creator, and our first love Jesus Christ. And, as we do this it will be evidenced by us living our lives according to His Word by obeying His voice and His Word! Only then will we produce the *proper "fruit"* in our lives and in our nation. As I have said before, but bears repeating, true revival begins in the hearts and homes of God's people!

7. We do NOT understand that we are put on this earth for God's glory and purposes to prevail in and through us, His people. We are to establish His justice and laws throughout our land and take dominion over every living thing on the earth. We are SUPPOSED to be the head and not the tail! We are God's change agents for establishing His Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven! In addition, we do NOT understand that only those who **DO** the will of our heavenly Father will enter the kingdom of heaven. Jesus tells us ahead of time in Matthew 7:21 (NKJV) where **He** says, "*Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who **DOES** the will of My Father in heaven.*"

In addition, we may be granted the right to the tree of life and may enter into the gates of the city in heaven by "*doing*" God's commandments! In other words, we must have the testimony of Jesus Christ

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as our Lord and Savior which will be evidenced by us keeping His commandments. We must be “doers” of the Word! This is based on Revelation 22:14 (NKJV) which proclaims *“Blessed are those who DO His COMMANDMENTS, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.”*

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