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The author of Hebrews wrote, "Remember the prisoners as if chained with them—those who are mistreated—since you yourselves are in the body also." It was dangerous to assist prisoners in the Roman Empire. The government could, and often did, arrest the prisoners' supporters because they assumed the two to be like-minded. The authorities could equate someone helping an insurrectionist with being a fellow insurrectionist and imprison them too.

The apostle Paul knew prison life. He broke no laws as a Roman citizen, yet he suffered because he embraced his Roman rights and freely spoke the message of Christ. His words offended high-ranking Jews, and they got the government involved. Do you know that something similar is happening in America, of all places?

There is a theme I notice in my life. That is, I hate injustice and inconsistency. Recently I published a podcast in which I spoke about the Sound of Freedom and the inhumanity of child sex trafficking. That is a matter of injustice, particularly when wealthy, influential people get away with such a crime.

How does it make you feel knowing that BLM and Antifa have gotten away with insurrection, burning large cities, and destroying Federal property? We see a two-tiered justice system where those on the left get away with murder while those on the right suffer for the most minor offenses. Don't forget about the Black Farmers enduring discriminatory practices of the USDA as part of that list.

Most Americans have stood idly by while these things happen before our eyes. Some are afraid to get involved, while others think it won't happen to them. **Samuel Adams** understood who was working behind the scenes on these activities. He said:

It is in the interest of tyrants to reduce the people to ignorance and vice. For they cannot live in any country where virtue and knowledge prevail.

Today I want to talk about another injustice. As mentioned, I record my podcasts several days before you hear them. On July 14, we heard Jenny Cudd McCombs speak in OKC on the events of January 6, 2021, in Washington, DC. **President Trump** invited Patriots from across America to come to the Capital and protest the stolen election. Estimates are that between one and three million people rallied. Jenny was one.

The US Constitution's First Amendment protects fundamental rights such as freedom of speech, press, assembly, and the right to petition the government to redress grievances. It prohibits Congress from making laws that establish religion or prohibit its free exercise. Let me read it to you.

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

The Founders had lived through tyranny on steroids. They had tried to discuss the King's unjust decisions but to no avail. The king's insolence forced them to declare independence. They knew that there could come a time when tyrants would rule, and the people would need the opportunity to confront their oppression. The First Amendment does keep the government out of our religious practices, but it also lets the people into the government's practices.

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¹ Hebrews 13:3 (NKJV)

You will remember that on January 6th, numerous protesters went to the Capitol, where the Capitol Police opened the doors and invited them in to see the "*People's House*." In so doing, the police entrapped Jenny and other protesters for trespassing and other spurious charges.

The Department of "Injustice," as Jenny calls it, arrested her and over 1000 Patriot protesters. The department has convicted over 700 and is still making arrests. Many of those detainees remain in prison without charges.

Jenny was able to make a plea bargain and regained her freedom. Making a covenant with God, she is on a crusade to make Americans aware of the many injustices and plight of the Patriots unfairly imprisoned, partly due to the "Patriot Act" George W. Bush signed into law.

Our corrupt government has targeted numerous Patriot groups, including the **Oath Keepers** and **Proud Boys**. Let me briefly mention these two groups.

The **Oath Keepers** organization is a group of Patriots who swore to defend the Constitution against foreign AND domestic enemies. There is no expiration date on that oath. It is open-ended and does not say that the person affirming the oath only does so if they are on active duty in the military or only while serving in Congress. The organization aims to get people to honor their oath of allegiance, whether military personnel, political leaders, police, firefighters, etc.

What we see in our country today is a gross lack of integrity in our governmental leaders. Some of our civil servants do not uphold their oaths, but they also target those who do and label them "domestic terrorists." Oath Keepers at J6 have been arrested – even without entering the Capitol. They have lost veteran benefits, including retirement salaries. This is not about justice but politics.

Jenny also mentioned the **Proud Boys**. I did not know much more than their name and that they are Patriots. Like most of us, they have a mixed reputation of positives and negatives. She informed us that they are a "gentlemen's drinking club" that supports American principles. They have confronted BLM and Antifa rioters. Guess who the police supported? You are right! The police defended the anarchists and arrested the Proud Boys.

Here is one of those inconsistent injustices that annoys me. Anarchists can occupy and trash Federal buildings in major cities, such as Portland, OR, and get away with it while peaceful protesters outside the US Capitol are arrested. Yes, the police entrapped some inside the Capitol, but there were no fires or destruction of vital pieces of our history. What do you think the Portland rioters would have done inside the Rotunda?

Following the events at the Capitol, BLM, and Antifa activists targeted the elderly and families returning to their hotels to intimidate and beat them. The Proud Boys escorted the vulnerable to ensure their safety. The DC police looked the other way, and the DOJ is not arresting the evil activists but the Proud Boys defending the defenseless.

I have a long line of veterans in my family, and I appreciate all our veterans' willingness to defend our country. My dad and his two WWII brothers took their oaths seriously. Yet, most congressional, civic, and modern military leaders appear indifferent to their oaths. It is inconsistent and unjust for our government to arrest people who carry out the promise they made to our nation.

The Oath Keepers have high integrity, love America, and support the principles upon which our nation stands. The Constitution is not a dusty historical document we keep in a museum. It is the basis for our republic and must be followed by all, including those in positions of power. As **James Madison** said, "All men having power ought to be distrusted to a certain degree." "We, the people," must hold our officials accountable to the laws of the land and uphold our Constitution. Otherwise, the document is simply another of the massive number of writings from our past. The Constitution is only as strong as those who support it.

The Oath Keepers and the Proud Boys' drinking club have similar ideals. Here is the paradox: A drinking club has more interest in and integrity for saving our republic than most church-goers. This is especially ironic since our nation was founded on godly principles, not the beer and ale industries. **Patrick Henry** stated:

"It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

Most Christians prefer ignorance and complacency than to research and confront the issues. "Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin" is a deterrent to Christian activism against evil. In the end, if I don't know, I don't have to act, so don't tell me. Here's a thought to consider. "30 Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, 31 because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead."

I am not going to go through all of the quotes and backstories of the place of Christianity in our country's history, but let me give two poignant ones.

John Jay (America's first Supreme Court Chief Justice and Co-Author of the Federalist Papers) wrote on October 12, 1816

"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."

On October 11, 1798, **President John Adams** stated in a letter to the officers of the First Brigade of the Third Division of the Militia of Massachusetts:

"We have no government armed with power capable of continuing with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Greed, ambition, revenge, or seduction would break the strongest cords of our Constitution as a whale goes through a net. Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

Somewhere in our history, we Americans got lazy. We eased up on the vigilance **Benjamin Franklin** said was necessary to keep our republic. In the process, we left God out of the national equation and limited Him to a few hours per week in the church box. Jesus quotes **Deuteronomy 6:5** and says, "³⁰ **And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment.**"⁴ He wants us to love and acknowledge Him in every part of our lives, not just Sundays. That includes our jobs, families, churches, and how we are governed. After all, the government is to connect with Him and be on His shoulder, according to **Isaiah 9:6**.

³ Acts 17:30-21 (NKJV)

² James 4:17 (NKJV)

⁴ Mark 12:30 (NKJV)

God wants us to love Him with our whole being because that is how He loves us. When you fully love someone, you do not hold back. Paul addresses how God deals with us. He writes, "³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?"⁵

God has not held back from us but has given us His very best, His most valuable gift, His Son. To fully express the image of God, we love as He loves and give as He gives. He holds nothing back. We hold nothing back. We incorporate Him into our whole life.

Contrast fully integrating God into our lives with the actions of most preachers who disengage from politics. Throughout the scriptures, the prophets engaged their evil kings and irreligious leaders. Even Jesus pushed back against the ungodly in powerful positions.

Instead of having the Lord as the foundation of society and laying the government on His shoulder as our ancestors intended, we lifted it from Him. By removing godly standards, is it any wonder we hear from the LGBTQ+ crowd, "We're queer. We're here. We're coming after your children."?

The **J-6 American Patriots** never expected disreputable people to have weaponized their right to assemble and redress their government against them. But they have. Under the protection of the First Amendment, BLM and Antifa went for weeks burning and looting major US cities with impunity. Inconsistently, the Federal judicial bureaucracy has singled out American patriots, making them an example for the rest of us.

We wonder how this will turn out when considering the cruel and unusual punishment the prison system inflicts on the Patriots. Some Patriots have been in isolation for months. Internationally, isolating someone for more than two weeks is considered cruel and unusual punishment. The hardened people in charge are breaking the Patriots mentally and physically, yet they hold on, believing in God and our country.

We pray that the same Providence **George Washington** called on to bless American Patriot prisoners in his day will alleviate the suffering of our heroes. On October 27, 1777, General Washington wrote in a letter to **Landon Carter** regarding American patriot prisoners in the North, "I flatter myself that a superintending Providence is ordering everything for the best and that, in due time, all will end well."

Thomas Jefferson stated, "The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants." We have seen the blood of patriots like Ashli Babbitt, Rosanne Boyland, Victoria White, and Matt Perne. We haven't as yet seen the recompense of tyrants. Let's not forget the Nuremberg trials and the Judgment to come.

There are numerous ways for you to help these unjustly imprisoned Patriots. I have listed some websites at the bottom of our notes. Please check them out and pray, write letters, and contribute money. Unlike common criminals, these Patriots must buy food of nutritional value and some of their own clothes. The torture is so uncomfortable that many have written requests to be transferred to GTMO Bay.

As a nation, we have moved far from God. Nothing like this would have happened when people recognized the reality of God and their accountability to Him. **William Penn**, the Founder of Pennsylvania, wrote:

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⁵ Romans 8:31-32 (NKJV)

"If thou wouldst rule well, thou must rule for God, and to do that, thou must be ruled by him....Those who will not be governed by God will be ruled by tyrants."

Let's return to God and return God to His proper place as the God of America. In the ever-familiar **2 Chronicles 7:14** (NKJV), God reminds us of a principle that applies to any nation as He spoke to the Hebrews. He said:

¹⁴ if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

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