

123.3 Care Less Christianity

In school, I generally did acceptable work in my classes. One of the hard lessons I learned was to be careful. Too often, I lost points because I had been careless in my assignments. Many Christian Americans carelessly express their nonchalant behavior and apathetic attitude concerning the current crisis in our land. The wise King Solomon stated, “**He who keeps the commandment keeps his soul, *But he who is careless of his ways will die.***”¹ This is true of individuals and nations.

Many modern Christian Americans excuse themselves from developing a biblical worldview around our cultural issues by focusing on the world to come to the point where they neglect their current circumstances. Someone has said, “Some Christians are so heavenly-minded they are of no earthly value.” They have failed to “occupy” or do kingdom business on earth until Jesus returns (**Luke 19:13**). As in the parable of the minas, these Christian Americans fail to steward the inalienable gifts God has given.

Governor Newsome of California wants to call a **Constitutional Convention** to add an amendment to the Constitution that would adjust the Second Amendment regarding our right to own firearms. Where the amendment says our right “shall not be infringed” by the government, Newsome wants to overstep with an age stipulation with no one under twenty-one owning a firearm. That would knock seventeen to twenty-year-olds from military service. Governor Newsom behaves as if the government bestows our rights when they come from God. Most Christians would not object to the removal of any of our inalienable rights out of carelessness.

God gave us a Christian-based nation through His faithful providence and the faithful willingness of our ancestors to persevere and sacrifice for liberty. **John Adams** expressed his concerns about our generation’s actions when he said, “Posterity! You will never know how much it cost the present generation to preserve your freedom! I hope you will make a good use of it. If you do not, I shall repent in Heaven that I ever took half the pains to preserve it.” We can vigilantly secure our liberties or let them go and doom our posterity to the bondage at the hands of nefarious people.

The Marxists controlling our nation are successfully fulfilling **Joseph Stalin’s** prophetic words and most of us do not realize what is happening. Yet when we look around, we see that they have accomplished their goals. Here is what Stalin said:

America is like a healthy body and its resistance is threefold: its patriotism, its morals, and its spiritual life. If we can undermine these three areas, America will collapse from within.”

When will Christian Americans take our commission to resist evil and stop playing games with it? Regarding our responsibility to our nation, **Charles Finney** stated:

"The church must act right, or the country will be ruined. God cannot sustain this free and blessed country, which we love and pray for unless the church will take the right ground. Politics are a part of religion in such a country as this, and Christians must do their duty to the country as a part of their duty to God. It seems sometimes as if the foundations of the nation were becoming rotten, and Christians seem to act as if they thought God did not see what they do in politics. But I tell you, he does see it, and he will bless or curse this nation according to the course they take."

On October 11, 1798, **President John Adams** wrote, “We have no government armed with power capable of continuing with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. ... Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.” Would you say we have proven Adams to be correct?

¹ Proverbs 19:16 (NKJV)

Neither the Bible nor the Constitution keep believers out of political issues. If the Bible forbade it, Joseph, Moses, Joshua, Daniel, the three Hebrew boys, Mordecai, and Erastus, in the NT, to name a few, would have sinned. John the Baptist even tells government employee soldiers to be content with their wages, he doesn't encourage them to desert or resign from the military. They were all involved in the political sphere to some degree.

Eschatology is not one of my strong points. I do not know the times or seasons so I am content to live preparing for Jesus' inevitable return. I joke with some of my friends and say that I am "pan-millennial," and it's all going to pan out. I want to tread lightly here for a number of reasons, but a certain eschatological theology moves some Christians to a lack of motivation to set things right on earth. There are some patriots with this theology, but most are waiting for things to get really bad on earth so that Jesus will return, rapture us out, and establish an earthly kingdom. If we work to defend our inalienable rights and God's sovereignty now, we delay His coming. Instead of practicing a biblical worldview in every part of life, these Christians refrain.

We see the pitiful condition of America today. We have killed the patriotic spirit, removed biblical morality, and sacrificed our spiritual lives for greedy gain and leisure. We have failed to uphold God's words in our lives. Paul wrote Timothy about the great apostasy and then stated, "**6 If you instruct the brethren in these things, you will be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished in the words of faith and of the good doctrine which you have carefully followed.**"² The word of God is not optional to our life on earth, it is essential.

Those who advocate apathy towards the culture and our Christian American responsibilities would not support the same position regarding the family or church. They quote the Bible to clarify the purpose and function of both, but oddly leave off the scriptures concerning God's purpose for government. Apathy still reigns, however, and while giving lip service to the scriptures, families are crumbling and churches are dying. Stalin and his cronies have removed patriotism, morals, and spiritual life from America, and we let them. We are no longer salt and light in our world.

We can save America by saving Americans. This is why the GNA mission statement reads, "Reconnecting God and America by telling His story in our history." We do this one person at a time to reach the nation with a ripple effect. If you believe in Jesus, find opportunities to tell others His story. One by one we can change our culture from careless to courageous in Christ.

Let me read one more passage to encourage us not to have a care-less attitude but care-full one in our walk with God. Once again, the wise king Solomon said:

"Walk prudently when you go to the house of God; and draw near to hear rather than to give the sacrifice of fools, for they do not know that they do evil."³

As we close, let's ...

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² 1 Timothy 4:16 (NKJV)

³ Ecclesiastes 5:1-2 (NKJV)