

PULPIT FREEDOM SUNDAY 2013

PROCLAIM LIBERTY THROUGHOUT ALL THE LAND
UNTO ALL THE INHABITANTS THEREOF

LEVITICUS 25:10

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

PROCLAIM LIBERTY THROUGHOUT ALL THE LAND

*A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT TO ALL THOSE
WHO ARE FOR THE DEFENSE OF FREEDOM*

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Introduction to the Text;

Leviticus 25:10

It is considered to be one of the most recognizable icons in the world. It's not the eiffel tower. It's not the golden gate bridge, it's not the great wall of china – **it is the liberty bell**

It's Name didn't come from the fact

that the revolutionist rang the bell at our nations birth – but from the verse that was embossed on it.

Leviticus 25:10b

“Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof.”

Why would the Colonies be interested in ringing a bell that had a bible verse on it?

And what was the basis for this “declaration”?

*And why would a group of politicians think it important that a bell
Should have a Bible verse crafted on to it and displayed?*

And where did they get this idea of ‘Liberty’
and what did they mean by “Liberty”

We know for sure that their definition of Liberty
was directly connected, not with the bell itself – but with the bible
verse upon that bell.

*“From a small group of Christians in the north of England who had decided that
the creator of the universe had placed the longing for liberty in the human heart.
And that liberty would first be experienced by free and
self determined worship of God.”*

TO PROCLAIM LIBERTY THROUGHOUT ALL THE LAND

1.) Because only God’s Word is truth

THE BIBLE IS ALL ABOUT LIBERTY

*They took the Bible literally. They really believed that God had
delivered Israel out of Egypt.*

*They really believed that God had promised
Israel a promised land.*

*They really believed that Jesus Christ had come to set men free
from the tyranny of sin and its slavery.*

John 8:31-32

Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, “If you abide in My word, you
are My disciples indeed. **32** And you shall know the truth, and
the truth shall make you free.”

They Saw Self-Government Originating in The Scriptures.

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2.) Because only God's Word is immutable

THE GOSPEL IS THE LIBERATOR

Our Founders Believed That The Word of God
Was the one and only foundation for a free people.

Ps. 119:89

Forever, O LORD, Your word is settled in heaven.

Cultures Change (situational) God's Word Doesn't

"The Bible is the rock on which our Republic rests".
President Andrew Jackson

"To promote true religion is the best and most effectual way of making a virtuous and regular people. Love to God and love to man is the substance of religion; when these prevail, civil laws will have little to do. The magistrate or ruling part of any society ought to encourage piety and make it an object of public esteem. Those who are vested with civil authority ought to promote religion and good morals among all their government."

- John Witherspoon, Pastor. Founding Father, Signer of the Declaration of Independence.

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3.) Because only God's word is salvation

salvation means that God has provided a way
for a man or woman to be forgiven. That what we have done wrong is
sin against God and He demands that sin be dealt with.

The Cross of Jesus Christ is The Answer.
Because it levels us. It humbles us. It convicts us.

Rom. 5:6-8

For when we were still without strength, in due time **Christ died for the ungodly.** **7** For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die.
8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Government Ordained by God – Serves the People.
Government Ordained by Men – Serves a Man.

“It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible.” - George Washington

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4.) Because only God’s Word is illuminating

Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.

The Mayflower Compact 1620

In the name of God, Amen. We, whose names are underwritten, the Loyal Subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord King James, **by the Grace of God**, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of **the Faith**, &c. Having undertaken **for the Glory of God**, and **Advancement of the Christian Faith**, and the Honour of our King and Country, a Voyage to plant the first Colony in the northern Parts of Virginia; Do by these Presents, solemnly and mutually, **in the Presence of God** and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil Body Politick, for our better Ordering and Preservation, and Furtherance of the Ends aforesaid: And by Virtue hereof do enact, constitute, and frame, such just and equal Laws, Ordinances, Acts, Constitutions, and Officers, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general Good of the Colony; unto which we promise all due Submission and Obedience. In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names at Cape-Cod the eleventh of November, in the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King James, of England, France, and Ireland, the eighteenth, and of Scotland the fifty-fourth, Anno Domini; 1620.

Psalm 119:130

The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.

Hey church did you know this?

One of the very first acts of Congress in 1782 was that the government of the United States publish and distribute The Aitken Study Bible which was reviewed, approved and authorized by the US Congress. "The Bible was reviewed first for accuracy by the Congressional Chaplains White and Duffield and they reported on its accuracy. Then the Journals of Congress for September 1782 records on page 469, *"Resolved. That the United States in Congress assembled highly approve the pious and laudable undertaking of Mr. Aitken, as subservient to the interest of religion as well as an influence of the progress of arts in this country and being satisfied from the above report by the congressional chaplains, they recommend this edition of the Bible to the inhabitants of the United States of America and hereby authorize him to publish this recommendation."*

Congressional Record for September 1782 page 469

Samuel Adams

November 22, 1772

Father of the American Revolution. Cousin to John Adams. He was raised in a Politically active, Christian home by Father Samuel the Selectmen.

Adams Jr. graduated from Harvard, Class of 1740

"The right to freedom is the gift of God Almighty. The rights of the Colonists as Christians may be best understood by reading, and carefully studying the institutes of the Great Lawgiver and Head of the Christian Church: which are to be found clearly written in the New Testament."

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5.) Because God's Word is final

Make no mistake about it.

Heaven is our home and the Kingdom of God will come

When Jesus Christ returns.

No man. No government of man. No party. No tyrant will last.

Jesus is Coming...

But nowhere in scripture does it teach that a Christian is to be disengaged from his or her culture.

In Fact the Bible Teaches that we are to Invade our Culture for Righteousness.

Matt. 5:13-16

“You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. **14** “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. **15** Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are* in the house. **16** Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

How Do I Shine My Real Faith ?

Put it to action and stand for what is right.
(stop hiding behind your knowledge of the Bible and start doing it)

There is Nothing Greater or More Powerful
Than The Very Word of God – The Bible.

President Reagan was authorized and requested to so designate **1983 As “The Year of the Bible”**. It was passed. The law recited that the Bible *“has made a unique contribution in shaping the United States as a distinctive and blessed nation and people”* It also acknowledged that there was a *“national need to study and apply the teachings of the Holy Scriptures.”* *“Can we resolve to reach, learn and try to heed the greatest message ever written, God’s Word, and the Holy Bible?”* Reagan declared. *Inside its pages lie all the answers to all the problems that man has ever known.”*

Did You Know That;

On May 7, 2009, Congressman Paul Brown GA sponsored House Resolution 121 which authorized and requested President Obama to declare **“2010 as The Year of the Bible”** and to *“issue a proclamation calling upon citizens of all faiths to rediscover the value of the Bible which “has made a unique contribution in shaping the United States as a distinctive and blessed nation and people”* The resolution was abandoned for a lack of support.

On this 4th Of July,
America will be 237 years old & on life support.

The United States Supreme Court Does Not Have The Final Say.
Not Even The California 9th Circuit Court of Appeals Has The Final Say.

God Has the Final Say (and He has it right now)

Just because **3 guys** decide to Redefine What a
Marriage is, Doesn't Change what a real
marriage is.

Just because **9 people** decide that Abortion is
legal, Doesn't Change the Fact that God will
destroy all murderers.

the fallout from these godless courts will result in God's judgment.
(society, property, weather, safety, restraint, evil, danger)

**“My concern is not whether God is on our side; my greatest
concern is to be on God's side, for God is always right.” –
Abraham Lincoln**

Proverbs 22:28

Do not remove the ancient landmark which your fathers have set.

the ancient landmark = things of wealth, education, land, knowledge, ownership.
(the next generation stands upon the shoulders of their fathers)

The Public Display of The Cross
The Public Display of The Nativity Scene
The Public Display of The Ten Commandments
The Public Rejection of the Bible
The Public Assault on Prayer
The Public Attack on the Name of Jesus

Sadly - We Have Become a Nation of People That Has “Forgotten God” in Our Public Affairs & Education.

Psa. 106:13-15 NLT

Yet how quickly they forgot what God had done! They wouldn't wait for his counsel! In the wilderness their desires ran wild, testing God's patience in that dry wasteland. So He gave them what they asked for, but He sent a plague along with it.

(2 Kings 22)

Israel, Under the rule of King Josiah, Found the Word of God and Made it publically available for all to hear – the result was a nationwide Revival.
+ revival's benefits

“Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country.”

Charles E. Weller 1867

I would like to issue the same challenge today.

The time is now, not tomorrow, not next year but now – that we trust God to be our protector and defender as we reject apathy and complacency.

From My Heart I Ask...

Prov. 29:2

When the godly are in authority, the people rejoice.
But when the wicked are in power, they groan.

Why is it that today, that we here in California have such a perverted and godless government in power? * How did enemies of the family, of children, of marriage, of Christianity get into office? – * Because God's people have been deceived into thinking that they're not to get involved. Why? Because California's Pastors have taught their people to sit and be silent. Refusing to educate their people on the issues that will control their children's minds and culture – the pastors have taught their people to live a powerless imitation of Christianity.

And how is it we now have a president and his administration embroiled in the most scandalous acts in American history?

Caught spying on every Americans e-mails and phone calls.
Caught using the IRS to harass and intimidate Christian groups.
Caught promoting and funding Planned Parenthood's murder mills.
Caught appointing Muslim brotherhood members to his security agencies.
Caught rejecting the cry for help while our embassy burned and men died in Benghazi.
Caught sending over 2,000 weapons into Mexico later to be used to kill U.S. Customs officers.
Caught sending out a DOD, DOJ memo warning that "veterans, and conservatives are a threat.
Caught saying that Christianity cannot be allowed publically in the military.

Because America's Pastors Didn't Speak Up

Prov. 29:2

When the godly are in authority, the people rejoice. But when the wicked are in power, they groan.

"Yes, Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country."

If ever there was a time, the time is now that we;
awake out of sleep; for now our salvation *is* nearer than when we *first* believed.

If ever there was a time, the time is now that we;
"Be the light of the world. Be a city that is set on a hill that cannot be hidden.

If ever there was a time, the time is now that we;
Do all things without complaining and disputing, that we may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of this crooked and perverse generation, among whom you have been called to shine as lights in the world,

If ever there was a time, the time is now that we;
must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

If ever there was a time, the time is now that we;
who name the name of Christ depart from sinful acts."

*If ever there was a time, the time is now that we;
Call His Father's house; a house of prayer.*

Call2Fall Here and Now

Gal. 5:1

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free,
and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

Will You Today Respond To Christ's Offer?

>>>> The Cross, The Christ, The Call <<<<

Come Forward for Prayer

————— *End of Study* —————

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