

God Has Blessed Our Country With ...



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George Muller's Advice



Author unknown

George Muller was a man famous for praying in the needs of his English orphanage. His advice to those who desired to know the will of God was:

- * Be slow to take new steps in the Lord's service, or in your business, or in your families. Weigh every thing well. Weigh all in the light of the Holy Scriptures, and in the fear of God.

- * Seek to have no will of your own, in order to ascertain the mind of God regarding any steps you propose to take; so that you can honestly say you are willing to do the will of God, if He will instruct you.
- * When you have found the will of God, seek for His help, and seek it earnestly, perseveringly, patiently, believingly, expectantly, and in His time and way, obtain it.

The Bible View

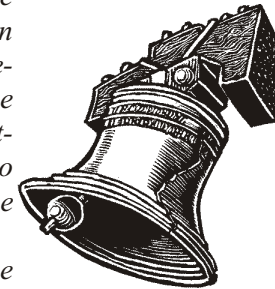



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Liberty

By Jim Morgan, Missionary to Romania

"For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God."
Romans 8:20-21



The day I got saved, or delivered, a lot more took place than I was first aware. Not only was I rescued from the flames of Hell, but I was also redeemed from the slave owner of humanity. A tremendous price was paid to buy me back from the eternal wages of my sin. With salvation came glorious liberty.

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Duty to God

We have a duty to serve God. This country was originally designed to allow us to keep that responsibility. On June 12, 1776 James Madison and Thomas Jefferson helped us have that opportunity by adding Article XVI to the Virginia Declaration of Independence. It reads:

"That religion, or the duty which we owe to our Creator, and the manner of discharging it, can be directed only by reason and conviction, not by force or violence; and, therefore, that all men are equally entitled to the free exercise of religion according to the dictates of conscience; and that it is the mutual duty of all to practice Christian forbearance, love and charity toward each other.

Let us have faith that right makes might; and in that faith let us to the end dare to do our duty as we understand it. - Abraham Lincoln

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Before I was saved there was nothing that I could do that would please God. You can find the futility of trying to please God in the flesh in Romans 7:14-24. Before we are saved we are sold under sin. In other words, we are slaves to our sinful natures. The wonderful thing about God is that He doesn't leave us in chapter 7, but He will allow us to live in chapter 8.

So what does the Bible mean when it says we have glorious liberty? Exactly what you think. God will not force us to serve Him. The thing about God's love is that He doesn't force us to love Him back. We are set free at salvation to chose whether or not we should serve Him.

You might say, "If I could do whatever I want after salvation, then why should I serve God?"

There are many reasons, but the main one is that it doesn't pay to get out of bondage and turn around and jump right back into sin's grasp.

When a Christian decides to use his liberty to go back into the same life he had before salvation, he not only chooses bondage to Satan, but forfeits all the blessing that God has for that person in this life

and in the life to come. He cannot lose his salvation, but he loses the blessings of salvation. A few of the blessings that are lost are: answered prayer, comfort in sorrow, fellowship with Christ, and protection in time of trouble.

Many Christians today are leaving the blessings of liberty to serve Christ for the bondage of the world. Satan makes what he has look good, but it invariably leads to slavery. What our Saviour offers may not be packaged in the fancy trappings that Satan uses; however, it will never lead to bondage.

We are free to stop any time we want. We don't serve Him because we have to. We should serve Him because we want to.

Joseph Stalin Said:

"If we can effectively kill the national pride and patriotism of just one generation, we will have won that country. Therefore, there must be continued propaganda abroad to undermine the loyalty of the citizens in general and the teenagers in particular."

It was this attitude that locked Russia into over 70 years of slavery to communism. Unfortunately, America is headed in the same direction.

Hear God's Voice Before It's Too Late

Author Unknown

A small iron-working town was so busy, that the mills were kept running day and night. The steam hammers, some of them several tons in weight, were also constantly busy, beating out the huge masses of iron. The inhabitants of the town had become accustomed to the constant noise, and could sleep soundly through the night without being disturbed. They were used to the commotion.

One night, because of some breakdown in the machinery, the hammers suddenly stopped working, and the consequence was that nearly everyone in the town woke up. What awakened them? Not the oft-repeated stroke of the heavy hammers, but their sudden stopping.

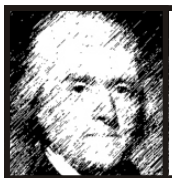
This reminds us of the state of the millions of people in our day. While the gospel hammer is kept at work (*Jeremiah 23:29 "Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?"*), millions within the sound of it are fast asleep. The time will soon come when Jesus Christ shall return and take his people away (I Corinthians 15:52), and the hammer of God's Word will cease. Wake up now and heed God's word before it's too late!

If you're centered on yourself, you're a problem. If you're centered on God, you're a person. — Oren Arnold

Politician's Hopes:

Author Unknown

- ☞ Hope you never understand the political system. They make sure it is complicated.
- ☞ Hope you never know what they do and how they vote.
- ☞ Hope all you do is gripe!
- ☞ Hope you never understand one person can make a difference. A handful of people can have a powerful impact on government.
- ☞ Hope you have short memories about their votes and inappropriate actions.
- ☞ Hope you only care about your TV and your favorite ball team, who wins the world series, your vacation, and having a little bit of money in your pocket.
- ☞ Hope you don't find out how bad things really are.
- ☞ Hope their personal life and example means nothing to you.



Resistance to tyrants is obedience to God.

Thomas Jefferson