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Words to Find: Aaron Abraham Asa Darius David Deborah Eleazar Eli Gideon Herod Isaiah Jehoshaphat

Jesus Korah Moses Melchizedek Nebuchadnezzar Pilate Reuel Samuel Saul Solomon

"Lord, Teach America to Pray!"

Author Unknown

And as her flag unfurls on high Its starry splendor to the sky, May we, in grateful thanks to Thee

Who gave to us this land so free,

Preserve her freedom in Thy way.

Lord, teach America to pray! May our good land be true and just,

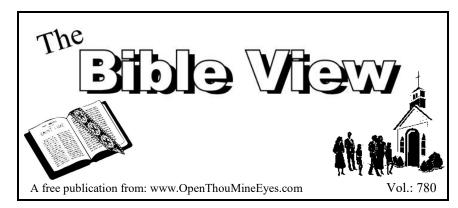
Her motto e'er "In God we Trust."

May she be guided by Thy Word, Thy wisdom in her halls be heard.

May all who love her plead today,

Lord, teach America to pray!

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Government of-by-andfor the People

Dr. Earle E. Lee

How many forms of government did God ordain in the HISstory of creation? God ordained three forms of government recorded in His Word, the Bible. In order, they are:

Solution First, God-ordained family government in Genesis. He created Adam and Eve, and commanded them to multiply and to replenish the earth. Family government involved husband, wife, and children with parental responsibilities to govern the family. The family would raise children to become mature, respectful adults who would marry and create more units of family government (Genesis 1 & 2).

Second, God-ordained civil government, as evidenced by the Ten Commandments in Exodus 20:1-17. These concise commandments dealt with man's relationship to God first. They established life principles for how each individual in the society should treat his fellow man, woman, and child. These princi-

ples formed the basis of the laws of the USA, which made our country great.

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A Dangerous Omission

Christian Herald

The closing part of Lincoln's



Gettysburg address reads, "... that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people,

and for the people, shall not perish from the earth." It is a wonderful ideal, but are we not in danger of omitting those two vital words, "under God"? "government of the people, by the people, and for the people" may be little more than a form of tyranny. However, a government of the people, for the people under God, is a form of government that honors God, that submits to His righteous rule, and that is exalted thereby. Unfortunately, we are not seeing governments that honor God today.

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Third, God created ecclesiastical/church government as seen in Colossians 1:18: "And he is the head of the body, the church...", and verse 24, "... The afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church." Christ started the church, which exists today, and gave specific governing principles for the church.



Three perfect interlocking circles can best illustrate these three Godordained governments with the

church at the top, family, and civil government side by side below that.

Here are distinct roles for each form of government that our founding fathers recognized in order to create a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. In brief they are:

One: The family had the authority and responsibility to govern the family with father and mother working together to raise and govern the children. Civil government and ecclesiastical/church government had no authority over the family other than encouraging strong families in their duties as the basic unit of

good government and churches. Civil leadership was <u>never</u> to usurp family governmental duties.

Two: Civil government had the authority to provide national defense, protect civil liberties by rewarding good and punishing evildoers, and exercise capital punishment. Family and ecclesiastical/church government were to support the civil government in its duties, but never to usurp civil governmental responsibilities.

Three:The Ecclesiastical/church had authority and responsibility to lead the individuals that made up the family to a right relationship with their Creator by understanding God's purpose for their lives here on earth and after death. Family and civil government were never to usurp ecclesiastical/church governmental authority to themselves.

The illustration depicts the trinity of God-ordained governments, patterned after the triune Creator God. It is revealed by the interlocking of the circles that each of the governments work together to create harmony through the government of the people, by the people, and for the people, while supporting each other's distinct God-ordained roles.

"The things that are wrong with the country today are the sum total of all the things that are wrong with us as individuals." — Charles W. Tobey In God's order of establishing three governmental bodies, it is abundantly clear that individuals that make up family government are and must be the individuals that are involved in civil and ecclesiastical/church government. Christian family members that do not get involved by voting and running for office in civil government and are not actively involved in ecclesiastical/church affairs are failing to meet God's ordained role of the members that make up family government.

May God grant each of you the wisdom to exercise your God-ordained role as an individual in the elections of 2020 and beyond. Fulfill your role in the government of the people, by the people, and for the people that our founding fathers gave us to make our country the great country it is.

"Only Way Out Is Up!"

Walter B. Knight

On a gray morning during World War I, the Prime Minister of Britain, David Lloyd George, stood grim-faced before his compeers, members of the British Cabinet. The seriousness of the situation was evident upon the faces of all. David Llovd George said, "Gentlemen, we are fighting with our backs to the wall. The only way out is up; our only hope is God; let us pray!" When nations turn to God in their trouble, deliverance is not distant.

"America may die from the delusion she has moral leadership!"

- Will Rogers

Lincoln's Concern

Baptist Standard

One day, when the Civil War was raging its worst, a minister said to Lincoln, "I surely hope the Lord is on our side." Lincoln replied, "I am not at all concerned about that, for I know that the Lord is always on the side of the right, but it is my constant anxiety and prayer that I, and this nation, should be on the Lord's side."

The Greatness of America

Author Unknown

About two hundred years ago, De Tocqueville of France visited America. Upon returning home, he wrote, "I sought for the greatness of America in her harbors and rivers and fertile fields, and



her mines and commerce. It was not there. Not until I went into churches and heard her pulpits flame with righteousness did I understand the greatness of her

power. America is great because she is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great."

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