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### A. PRESUPPOSITIONS

- 1. I still believe that the USA is the greatest Country in the World.
- 2. I am not blind to the fact at our country is facing significant moral, social and political issues.
- 3. Our theme, "GOD IS OUR ONLY HOPE" has always been true from the very creation of our country—in fact, from the creation of the world.
- 4. I strongly believe that the world—as we know it—will end soon.

### B. MESSAGE SECTION

# GOD IS ONLY HOPE!

## 1. Apostasy is our <u>only</u> problem.

<u>Apostasy</u> (Webster's): (i) The abandonment or renunciation of a religious or political belief; (ii) An act of refusing to continue to follow, obey, or recognize a religious faith or teaching...or the certainty of a biblical doctrine or deity.

**Daniel 9:13, NASB95** - <sup>13</sup> "As it is written in the law of Moses, all this calamity has come on us; [for] we have not sought the favor of the LORD our God by turning from our iniquity and giving attention to Your truth.

## 2. Revival is our <u>only</u> solution.

Daniel 9:19, NASB95 - 19 "O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and take action! For Your own sake, O my God, do not delay, because Your city and Your people are called by Your name."

**2 Chronicles 7:14, NASB95** - <sup>14</sup> [If] My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

# 3. Prayer and God's Word are our <u>only</u> resources.

Daniel 9:3, 10, NLT -<sup>3</sup> So <u>I turned to the Lord God</u> and <u>pleaded with</u> him in prayer and fasting... <sup>10</sup> We have not obeyed the LORD our God, for we have not followed the instructions he gave us through his servants the prophets.

# 4. God is our <u>only</u> hope!

**Daniel 9:15, NLT** - <sup>15</sup> "O Lord our God, <u>you brought lasting honor to</u> your name by rescuing your people from Egypt in a great display of <u>power</u>. But we have sinned and are full of wickedness.... (cf., Daniel 9:24-27; the most difficult verses in Daniel—they speak of Christ's Return).

### C. LIFE APPLICATION SECTION

### HOW TO PRAY FOR AMERICA:

- 1. Our prayers must be continual in nature (v. 3).
- 2. Our prayers must be <u>confessional</u> in nature (vv. 5-6).
- **3.** Our prayers must be <u>clear</u> in nature (v. 20).

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**4.** Our prayers must result in actions—<u>change</u> must take place (v. 23).

Know the issues • Get involved • Vote • Take a stand • Spread the Gospel

"The end will come with a flood..." - Daniel 9:26