#### **GLEANINGS**

## RACISM #1 7/9/20

Today is the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, the day when Americans celebrate our Independence Day. But this year is different. Dark storm clouds are gathering all around us.

We are in a battle for the heart and soul of our nation.

And the enemy is not attacking from without-it is within; it is a 2<sup>nd</sup> Civil War.

#### Abraham Lincoln

"If danger ever reaches us, it must spring up amongst us. It cannot be from abroad. If destruction be our lot, we must ourselves be its author and finisher.

As a nation of free men, we must either live through all time or die by suicide."

President Lincoln spoke of the danger using the words of Jesus...

# Abraham Lincoln "A house divided against itself cannot stand."

Our real enemy is not flesh and blood! It is...

#### **Theme**

The spirit of antichrist, working through those who would turn America into a socialist nation, is once again seeking to divide us on the basis of race.

The enemy is raising the issue of Racism to overthrow America as founded.

The great question will be 'can Christians supply the solution?

## RACISM The Christian Solution

For the next 3 weeks I want to make...

#### 3 Points

- Racism is not a new weapon for socialists
- Racism is not a new problem in the church
- The only sure solution to racism is the Gospel of Jesus Christ

In the end, the nation will rise or fall on how we handle the issue of racism.

#### II. Racism: The Christian Solution

#### A. Racism is Not a New Weapon for Socialists

1. Adolf Hitler's National Socialism demonized the Jews.

### Joseph Goebbels

(Hitler's Minister of Propaganda)

"As socialists, we are opponents of the Jews, because we see in the Hebrews, the incarnation of capitalism..."

a. Eventually, 6 million Jews were exterminated. Hitler's explanation?

#### **Adolf Hitler**

"Jews are not people. They are animals."

b. But some historians believed that Hitler originally used racism simply as a means to gain power and galvanize the German people. 11 years before he came to power, there was this article...

#### **New York Times**

**November 21, 1922** 

A sophisticated politician (has) credited Hitler with...political cleverness for laying emphasis...on anti-Semitism, saying: 'You can't expect the masses to understand or appreciate your...real aims. You must feed the masses with...ideas like anti-Semitism...(because) it would be politically all wrong to tell them the truth about where you are really leading them.'

### New York Times

**November 21, 1922** 

Several reliable, well-informed sources confirmed the idea that Hitler's anti-Semitism was not so genuine or violent as it sounded, and that he was merely using anti-Semitic propaganda as a bait to catch masses of followers and keep them aroused, enthusiastic and in line for the time when his organization will be perfected and sufficiently powerful to be employed effectively for political purposes.

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