


RESTORING THE FOUNDATIONS

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on his heavenly throne.

Psalm 11:3, 4

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“World Cup visitors found the great America we forgot existed”

The lesson from all these World Cup visitors is simple:

- America is still a beautiful country.*
- There are still good people.*
- Sometimes it takes fresh eyes to remind us of that.*

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“How Can This Happen In America?”

- *Maine District Court Judge Jennifer Nofsinger issued a ruling that effectively prevented a young girl from attending church, reading the Bible with her mother, participating in Christian activities, celebrating certain Christian observances, and maintaining relationships with church friends.*

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The U.S. Is Turning Against Israel

- *Growing secularization in America.*
- *Declining Biblical literacy.*
- *Expansion of progressive ideologies.*
- *Social media narratives portray Israel as an oppressor.*
- *Rising isolationism on portions of the political Right.*
- *Demographic changes within both political parties.*

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“Less than half of born-again Christians believe human life is sacred”

- *While more than half of theologically identified born-again Christians strongly reject abortion as morally acceptable, less than half believe in the sanctity of human life*
- *The sanctity of life refers to the moral and religious belief that all human life is inherently sacred, holy, and possesses an immeasurable worth. Still, just 44% of theologically identified born-again Christians believe human life is sacred. leonardo.blair@christianpost.com*

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Can (Or Will) God Bless America When America Adopts Values & Ideas Which He Cannot And Does Not Approve?

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“Can Western civilization be saved?”

- *Western civilization cannot be renewed without recovering its Christian foundations.*
- *We must take prayer seriously, and we must be courageous to speak up.*
- *“To encounter the living God. This is key.”*

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What Must Take Place For Our Foundations To Be Restored?

- *There Are Cracks And Fractures That Need Repair*

“If The Foundation Is Destroyed What Can The Righteous Do?”

- *We Must Return To The Lord*
- *We Must Repent*
- *We Must Go Forward*
- *The Solution That We Need The Most is Prayer*

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America Has Foundational Cracks That Have Surfaced

- *Our First Recourse Is To Pray*
- *We Need Hope For Refreshing And Restoration*
- *Only The Lord Can Bring And Provide It*
- *It All Starts With Prayer*

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What Is Prayer? It Is A Battle

- *Jesus Prayed Frequently & Fervently*
- *When His Mission Was On The Line He Prayed*

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The Kind Of Prayer We Need As A Nation

- It is Not Passive But Aggressive
- It is Heart-felt
- It is Patient, Yet Persistent

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#1 We Must Return To God -- Our True Foundation

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- **Psalm 11:3–4 (NIV) — 3** When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?” **4 The Lord is in his holy temple; the Lord is on his heavenly throne. He observes everyone on earth; his eyes examine them.**
- *WHEN THE FOUNDATIONS ARE BEING DESTROYED... THE ANSWER IS IN THE LORD...*
- ***WE NEED THE LORD... WE TURN TO THE LORD... WE RETURN TO THE LORD...***
- **GOD IS STILL ON THE THRONE... AND HE IS IN CHARGE...**

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- ***NEED WE HAVE TO RETURN TO GOD, OUR FOUNDATION***
- **prayer:** Lord, You alone are our rock and our refuge. Forgive us for building on
- anything other than Your Word and Your ways. Restore what has been weakened in our
- hearts, our homes, and our churches. Rebuild us on truth that cannot be moved, and
- establish us again on You, the sure foundation.

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#2 We Must Return To The Truth That Sets Us Free

- *John 8:31–32 (NIV) — 31 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. 32 Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”*
- **Christ Uponds Discouragement And Confusion**
- **He Frees Us Completely From Satan’s Bondage**

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- “TRUTH IS NOT A THING THAT WE NEED TO SEARCH FOR... IT IS A PERSON WE NEED TO HEED.” – A.W. TOZER
- AMERICA NEEDS JESUS
- HE IS THE TRUTH WHO SETS US FREE...

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- **prayer:** Jesus, You are the truth. Anchor our lives in Your Word and guard our
- hearts from deception. Shape our thoughts, our words, and our witness so that truth is
- not only spoken but lived. Teach us to remain in You, knowing that Your truth alone
- brings real freedom.

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#3 We Must Return To Humility

- **Micah 6:8 (NIV) — 8** *He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.*

And What Does The Lord Require Of You?

- *To Act Justly*
- *To Love Mercy*
- *To Walk Humbly With Your God*

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“God is opposed to the proud but gives grace to the humble.”

- *God Battles Against Pride And Pulls It Down*
- *The Humble Are Met By God’s Grace*

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Prayer:

- *God, we humble ourselves before You.*
- *We confess our need for You.*
- *Teach us to walk humbly with You, to love mercy, and to reflect Your heart in how we treat others.*
- *May our posture before You shape how we live before the world.*

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#4 We Must Return To Righteousness

- **Proverbs 14:34 (NIV) — 34** *Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin condemns any people.*

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What Is Righteousness?

- *Righteousness Is The "Character Or Quality Of Being Right Or Just"*
- *Biblical righteousness means to live a life that conforms to the holy character of God.*
- *Righteousness Doesn't Come From Righteous Actions It Comes From A Righteous Heart*

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Prayer:

- *Lord, let righteousness shape our lives and our witness.*
- *Form us into people whose lives reflect Your holiness, integrity, and justice.*
- *May our obedience bring honor to You and point others toward Your goodness.*

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- #5 We Must Return To Repentance
- *(2 Chr 7:14 NIV) if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*

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God's People Must:

- *Humble Themselves*
- *Pray*
- *Seek His Face*
- *Turn From Their Wicked Ways*

God Will:

- *Hear From Heaven*
- *Forgive Our Sin*
- *Heal Our Land*

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The Healing That America Needs Must Start With The Church

- The Church In America Is Not Where It Should Be -- And Our Nation Is Suffering
- America Will Never Get The Healing It Needs
- Until The Church Gets The Healing It Needs

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Every Issue Our Nation Faces Could Rapidly Be Solved If We Would Turn Completely To God

A Nation That Turns To God Will Be Completely Restored

- We Must Turn Back To The Lord
- The Great Hope For America Is Jesus!
- Restoration Can Be Accomplished Through Repentance

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Repentance = I'm going in the wrong direction.

Repentance = to go in an alternate direction

What Does God Want For Us To Do?

- *To Humble Ourselves*
- *To Pray*
- *To Seek Him*
- *To Turn From Our Sin*

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How Do We Know We Need Repentance?

- *We Know It As We Look At Our Actions*
- *We Know It As We Look At Our Attitudes*
- *Confession & Repentance Are First Stops On The Road To Revival*

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Prayer:

- Father, as your church -- we turn our hearts back to you.
- Father as a nation we -- we turn our hearts back to you
- Forgive us for the ways we have relied on our own strength instead of Your presence.
- Restore our passion for holiness, prayer, and faithfulness.

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- **Psalm 33:8–22 (NIV)** — **8** *Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the people of the world revere him. 9 For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm. 10 The Lord foils the plans of the nations; he thwarts the purposes of the peoples. 11 But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations*

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- **12** *Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance. 13 From heaven the Lord looks down and sees all mankind; 14 from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth— 15 he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do*

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- **16** *No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength. 17 A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; despite all its great strength it cannot save. 18 But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love, 19 to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.*

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- **20** *We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. **21** In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. **22** May your unfailing love be with us, Lord, even as we put our hope in you.*