

## ***A Godly Nation Is Defined By Its' People***

### **Deuteronomy 4:7-11**

*"I Pray Heaven To Bestow The Best Of Blessings On This House And All That Shall Hereafter Inhabit It. May None But Honest And Wise Men Ever Rule Under This Roof." - John Adams*

#### **I. It is a nation, whose people reach for His touch. (V.7)**

- A. A great nation is one who is comforted by His presence.

**Deuteronomy 4:7** *For what nation is there so great, who hath God so nigh unto them,*

- B. A great nation is one who calls upon His name.

**Deuteronomy 4:7** *... as the LORD our God is in all things that we call upon him for?*

**Psalms 18:3** *I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.*

#### **II. It is a nation, whose people have His righteous truth. (V.8)**

##### **Scripture on the Liberty Bell**

**Leviticus 25:10** *Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof:*

##### **Library of Congress**

*(Inscribed In the Rotunda in Marble)*

- ◆ Declaration concerning Art; "Nature is the Art of God"

- ◆ Declaration concerning Science; **Psalms 19:1** *The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.*
- ◆ Declaration concerning Religion; **Micah 6:8** *... what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?*

##### **The Washington Monument**

*(Carved in the Marble as you ascend the stair to the top you will read;)*

**"Search the Scripture", "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it", "Holiness is the Lord", (and then 550 feet above the ground to complete the sayings) "Praise To God".**

- A. It is defined by having truth that is embedded.

**Deuteronomy 4:8** *And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law,*

- B. It is defined as having truth that endures.

**Deuteronomy 4:8** *... which I set before you this day?*

*"I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live by the light that I have. I must stand with anybody that stands right, and stand with him while he is right, and part with him when he goes wrong."*

**- Abraham Lincoln**

#### **III. It is a nation whose people remember His rich treasure. (V.9-10)**

- A. It is a nation who remembers what it has seen.

**Deuteronomy 4:9** *Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons;*

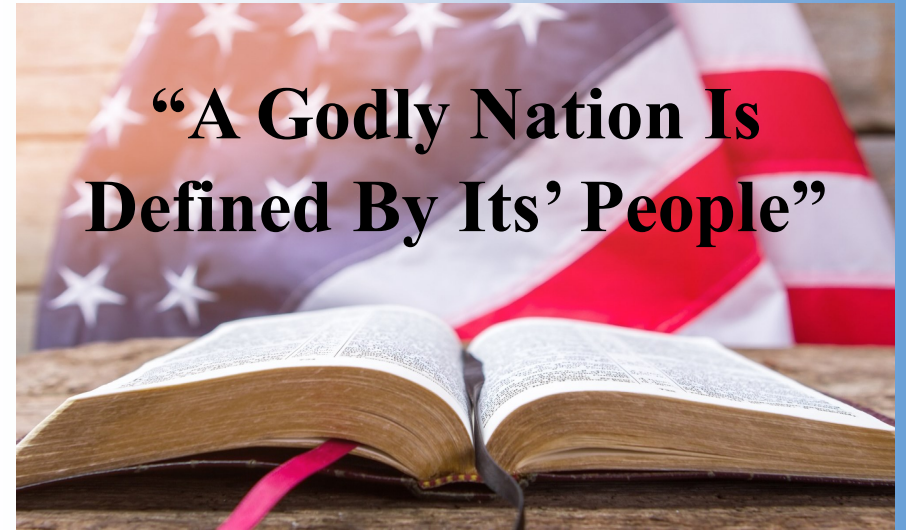
*“God who gave us life gave us liberty. Can the liberties of a nation be secure when we have removed a conviction that these liberties are the gift of God? Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, that His justice cannot sleep forever.” - Thomas Jefferson  
(Inscribed in the Jefferson Memorial)*

- B. It is a nation who remembers to whom it has surrendered.

*“We have surrendered to God so that we would never have to surrender to any other country.”*

**Deuteronomy 4:10** *Specially the day that thou stoodest before the LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD said unto me, Gather me the people together, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children.*

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<sup>7</sup> For what nation is there so great, who hath God so nigh unto them, as the LORD our God is in all things that we call upon him for?

<sup>8</sup> And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

<sup>9</sup> Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons;

<sup>10</sup> Specially the day that thou stoodest before the LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD said unto me, Gather me the people together, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and that they may teach their children.

<sup>11</sup> And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire unto the midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and thick darkness. - Deuteronomy 4:7-11