Whirlwind: Biblical Documentation of the Curse, Ex 20:4–5; Religions Are the Foundations of All Cultures; the Decalogue Influenced Our Founders; Process & Procedure of the Curse: Antiauthoritarian Attitudes Begin in the Home: the Frist Generation: Self-centeredness & Rejection of Parental Authority Leads to Rejection of Cultural Standards of Society, Prov 30:11

- VISUAL #2:
Cultus8.In every society, its laws are the written chronicle of the
people's moral beliefs based on the teachings of its
dominant religion at the time of the nation's founding.
 - 9. Moral beliefs held by the population, but not a part of national law, contribute to the order and stability of a society and help define its culture.
 - 10. However, Scripture does not directly mandate that any nation beyond Israel adopt any of these principles into its common and criminal law. It is highly suggested!
 - 11. Dr. Russell Kirk wrote with great clarity on this subject in his book, *The Roots of American Order*:

The good society is marked by a high degree of order, justice, and freedom. Among these, order has primacy: for justice cannot be enforced until a tolerable civil social order is attained, nor can freedom be anything other than violence until order gives us laws.¹

- 12. Nine Commandments plus the establishment code contain many suggestions to Gentile client nations on how their governments might structure their laws so as to create order, justice, and freedom.
- 13. Those nations subscribing to establishment laws create the environment for national prosperity and stability.
- 14. So how is a society influenced in the development of its laws? By the inventory of ideas found in the souls of its citizens.
- 15. In reality, all nations start out with no laws. Someone has to sit down and think some up. The thoughts which emerge into law constitute the moral beliefs of its Founders.

¹ Russell Kirk, *The Roots of American Order* (La Salle: Open Court Publishing Co., 1974), 6.

- 16. Those moral beliefs may or may not coincide with what the Bible teaches. However, our nation's moral beliefs have resulted in several of the Ten Commandments being incorporated into its legal system.
- 17. There are laws against murder (#6), adultery (#7), stealing (#8), perjury (#9), and violation of private property (#10).
- 18. Under our First Amendment, our nation is prohibited from establishing a state religion, but at the same time may not prohibit the people the free exercise of their chosen religion.
- 19. Consequently, we have no laws against idolatry, cultic organizations, or heathen religions.
- 20. In view of the Second Commandment, which documents that those nations engaging in the idolatrous practices of the heathen shall fall under the discipline of a "jealous" God, should we have such laws? How are we to prevent the rise of heathen religions from becoming the source of national discipline?
- 21. Answer: We are to fulfill our obligation and responsibility to Jesus Christ as His ambassador through evangelism of the lost and encouragement to learn doctrine to the saved.
- 22. If enough people learn doctrine then we won't need very many laws and certainly not one against heathen religions.
- 23. Yet in the twenty-first century and two-hundred twentytwo years since the ratification of the First Amendment, we find that the thinking of the American people has drifted away from biblical guidance and glommed onto the anthropocentric academic speculation of the heathen.
- 24. Initially, Israel functioned under a theocracy God was in charge. If punishment was in order, He carried it out or delegated the authority down to certain individuals such as Moses, Aaron, or angels.

- 25. The United States is not a theocracy but a republic. We are allowed the privilege of forming our own government and enacting our own laws.
- 26. How we think determines what those laws are. Moral beliefs outside the written law constitute our national culture.
- 27. As more people subscribe to the Nine Commandments, the greater the freedom and resultant prosperity and the pursuit of the copacetic spiritual life.
- 28. It is what is in the souls of the commonwealth that counts, not what is in legal libraries and in the decisions made by the Supreme Court.
- 29. When the collective beliefs of a client nation reach critical mass in other words, an overwhelming majority of the population rejects Bible doctrine, the four-generation curse goes into effect.
- 30. Further documentation of the curse can be found in two other passages: Exodus 34:6–7 and Numbers 14:18.

Process and Procedure of the Curse:

- 1. The character flaw which initiates the problem is rejection of legitimate authority:
 - (1) The exodus generation viewed their freedom as license to live unrestrained and thus rejected the authority of Moses.
 - (2) The original authority structure is the organized humility of the home and the enforced humility of parents.
 - (3) Failure to respect parents leads to rejection of all forms of establishment authority.
- 2. God's plan for the human race requires that a balance be found between freedom and authority.
- 3. Freedom without authority is anarchy while authority without freedom is tyranny.

- 4. Antiauthority initiates the four-generation curse since the authority of Scripture is rejected with reference to both salvation and God's plan.
- 5. If a person rejects parental authority, he will later reject all forms of establishment authority.
- 6. If such a habit of mind is established from youth, then the odds of suddenly submitting to the authority of an invisible God becomes very remote.
- 7. The process and procedure for the four-generation curse is the subject of Proverbs 30:11–14.

The First Generation:

Proverbs 30:11 - There is the kind of man who curses his father and does not bless his mother.

- 1. Children reject parental authority because their sin natures desire an environment in which there is no restraint on their decisions and they have to take no responsibility for their actions.
- 2. If the enforced humility of the home cannot develop genuine humility in the child's soul, then he will either learn the principle through discipline or become a revolutionary.
- 3. The child may reject his parent's policies, house rules, restrictions, and requirements because he wants to do what he wants to do.
- 4. Parents are delegated the authority to enforce principles of establishment order into the souls of their children and are permitted to impose appropriate forms of discipline and punishment for noncompliance.
- 5. An equally troubling problem is when parents do not possess establishment standards and therefore do not require their observance by their children.
- 6. When members of a family fail to maintain or respect order in the home, to that degree the stability of the client nation is weakened.

- 7. Freedom is not carte-blanche permission to do as one wishes, but an environment that allows one to remain unhindered in his choices so long as they do not infringe on the freedom, privacy, or property of others or ignore the legal and cultural standards of society.
- 8. In a client nation, cultural standards are codified into laws that protect the privacy, property, and person of its citizens. Violations of these laws infringe upon another's freedom thereby interrupting his status quo of peace and tranquility.
- 9. Such behavior reveals the mental attitude sins of arrogance and self-centeredness that produce an antiauthoritarian mentality.
- 10. It was arrogance in Lucifer's soul that produced his rebellion against God's authority revealed by his five assertions in Isaiah 14:13–14.
- 11. Therefore, the stability of a client nation is sustained by the family unit. Consequently, one of Lucifer's major targets in his Long March through institutions is the organized humility of the home.