## **Principles on Prayer in the Midst of National Crisis**

Since July 4, 1776, the United States of American has been a client nation to God—244 years. Its Constitution was ratified on September 17, 1787. Its Bill of Rights were ratified on December 15, 1791. The contents of these documents cannot be altered, changed, or removed without the consent of at least three-fourths of the states complying:

The Congress, whenever two thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary [290 in the House and 67 in the Senate] shall propose amendments to this Constitution, or, on the Application of the Legislatures of two thirds of the several States [34], shall call a Convention for proposing Amendments, which, in either Case, shall be valid to all Intents and Purposes, as Part of this Constitution, when ratified by the Legislatures of three fourths of the several States [38]. or by Conventions in three fourths thereof.<sup>2</sup>

There are those presently in our national government who are proposing to add two new states, The District of Columbia and Puerto Rico which Congress is empowered to do by a simple majority vote.

One of the political parties has publicly proclaimed, if elected, to transform the country away from its original system of government as republic over to one that is totalitarian. These are defined as follows:

**Republic.** A government having a chief of state who is not a monarch and who in modern times is usually a president. A government in which supreme power resides in a body of citizens entitled to vote and is exercised by elected officials and representatives responsible to them and governing according to law.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, 11th ed. (Springfield, Mass.: Merriam-Webster, 2014), s.vv. "republic," "totalitarian."



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "The Constitution of the United States: Article V," in Forty Proclamations: The Theology of Grace Doctrine Church (St. Charles: Joe Griffin Media Ministries, 2011), 70–71.

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Currently, the United States is being threatened by a major political party to begin instituting the latter system in 2021. It surreptitiously uses terms such as progressive, socialist, and democratic, but the definition above of totalitarian best defines their clearly expressed intents and purposes.

In our context in 1 Kings, we observe the terrorism that existed in Israel under the rulership of seven monarchs, the latter, King Ahab, with the eager assistance of his wife Jezebel, to control the people through demonism.

There is nothing eviler than a system of government controlled by a dictator, although a believer, who is in the advanced stages of reversionism. Consequently, we may observe some of his tactics while his nemesis, Elijah, continues to operate under the guidance of the God of Israel.

It is important to note that Elijah has the power of prayer to express his requests and receive divine guidance during his confrontation with the king.

Elijah has done all that God requested him to do. He has now left the result in the hands of God. What happens next is left up to the Lord who promised him that if he executed His plan that God would end the drought by the provision of rain.

## **Principles:**

- The United States is God's current client nation. Its status is under assault 1. from cosmic forces within it walls. It is the duty of every Christian to grow in grace and become a dependable witness for the Prosecution.
- 2. Fellow citizens, who have been recruited by cosmic forces as emissaries for Dark Side, have for five years been fomenting a coup d'état, "a sudden decisive exercise of force in politics; especially the violent overthrow or alteration of an existing government by a small group."4
- This "small group" is actually a confederation composed of a political party, 3. corrupt media both print and electronic, a brainwashed population, and the deployment of two terrorist organizations. The latter have been granted carte blanche<sup>5</sup> permission to turn American cities into rubble through arson, robbery, theft, intimidation, and murder.
- 4. In our 1 Kings context, lots of these kinds of things were occurring in Israel due to the priests of Baal and Jezebel's priests of Ashérah. However, there is one man who stood between them and the people of Israel. Many had come to believe in Yahweh when the Lord sent fire upon Elijah's sacrifice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Carte blanche /kärt blä<sup>n</sup>sh/: unrestricted power to act at one's own discretion; unconditional authority," *The* American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, fifth ed. (New York: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2016), s.v. "carte blanche."



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Ibid., s.v. "coup d'état."

- 5. Elijah was the Lord's Lone Ranger. Theologically, he was the early-day George Patton, who alone took on the bad guys and after having done so, sat down on the top of Mount Cármel and engaged in prevailing prayer.
- 6. The summum bonum of a client nation's deliverance from cosmic conspiracies is the power of prayer. Elijah was not discouraged by the delay in the cloud's development out in the Mediterranean Sea. With each of the six negative reports from his servant, He continued to pray.
- 7. It was on the servant's seventh report that Elijah heard what he knew would eventually occur. Prayer time was over in exchange for immediate application. Yet it was Elijah's prevailing prayer that led to the divine provision of the rain which fulfilled the prophecy Elijah informed King Ahab in 1 Kings 17:1*b*, "... surely there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word."

## **The Current Crisis**

- A. The Loss of Thought
- 1. My use of this phrase refers to the cause of client nations' decline beginning with the Roman Empire and continuing to that of the British Empire in the 1700s.
- 2. England was a nation divided theologically between Catholicism and Protestantism. When the former was in power, some Protestants became targets of religious persecution.
- 3. A group of these protesters left England for the Netherlands to escape the harassment. They ultimately organized a voyage to America that resulted in establishing a colony in New England in 1620.
- 4. This was the first effort by British citizens to leave the Empire and seek religious freedom in the New World. This migration was populated overwhelmingly by Christians: Protestant Christians.
- 5. Their reason to engage such a geographical voyage was the desire to freely worship God and His Word and to do so required the exchange of one continent for another.
- 6. The underlying reason for such a drastic undertaking was the prevailing loss of doctrinal thought that their fellow citizens of England had allowed to occur.
- 7. By moving to America, they could pursue truth without the intimidation they previously endured from those who did not subscribe to serious study of the Word of God.

- 8. Following the establishment of the original settlers at Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1620, the New World embraced religious freedom—the autonomy to study Scripture without any negative influence from government.
- 9. One hundred and fifty-six years later, the 13 American colonies drew what became a permanent line in the sand by means of its Declaration of Independence, signed on July 4, 1776, and followed by complete separation following Washington's defeat of British forces at Yorktown, Virginia, on October 19, 1781.
- 10. Later, the Declaration was expanded to include the Constitution of the United States of America to which the first ten amendments were added.
- 11. Amendment I expressed the primary reason this entire enterprise was engaged in 1610. Its opening proclamation reads, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."
- 12. The struggle for religious freedom was ultimately achieved when the Bill of Rights was ratified. These and all subsequent Amendments may not be altered or deleted without the approval of 37 states.
- 13. Yet, as 244 years have now passed, this guarantee of religious freedom is once again under assault by heathens, misled believers, purveyors of cosmic rationales, and a growing hatred for God's immutable standards.
- 14. Client nation America is now under assault by those who have lost the thought., the *thought* consisting of the immutable standards contained in the Word of God many of which are enshrined in the nation's State Papers which we have noted.
- 15. Once again, believers must gather their wits and become twenty-first century Elijah's. We must engage our ever-ready asset to defend our religious liberties. And the artillery we are granted by God Himself is the power of prevailing prayer.
- 16. In the ninth century B.C., Elijah did his duty in the contest between the immutable power of Scripture and human viewpoint rationales of the Dark Side.
- 17. We now face a similar challenge but we must utilize the same divine assets Elijah did in his contest with Ahab and priests of Baal and Asherah.

- 18. This requires us to engage in the utilization of the following equation that combines the sovereignty of God and the free will of man to deploy the power of prevailing prayer. This includes the observation of recent assets provided by the divine decree.
- B. The Divine Decree and the Power of Prevailing Prayer
- 1. Consider this: Human emissaries function as witnesses for the defense before the Divine Court of Appeals, who think Lucifer's case can be won by their constant dissemination of human viewpoint, human good, and evil until a complete loss of thought occurs in client nation America.
- 2. Believers do not have the capability of looking into the future. However, when enough believers who possess doctrinal foresight, are able to analyze historical trends they are able to anticipate uptrends or downtrends.
- 3. The prevailing loss of thought that is presently evident can only be interpreted as clear indicators of the overthrow of the United States.
- 4. If permitted to acquire power by the manipulation of a national election in their favor, then their strategy will shift to the ultimate destruction of the nation's State Papers and replace them by those promoting totalitarian tactics upon dissenters.
- 5. Many citizens may clearly recognize these strategies, but they are helpless to do anything about it if the status quo remains unaltered.
- 6. This is where the doctrine of prevailing prayer becomes our most powerful asset in this contest. If doctrinally oriented believers have done their duties by praying for divine intervention, then that power and it alone may deliver us in this moment of truth.
- 7. These prayers are processed by God. They were done so in eternity past as they were recognized and retained in the divine decree.
- 8. Importantly, the decree also recognized the cosmic attack on client nation USA in the present hour. Those with doctrine have been praying for divine intervention since the potential transfer of power will bring significant national decline and attacks on individual rights protected in the Bill of Rights.