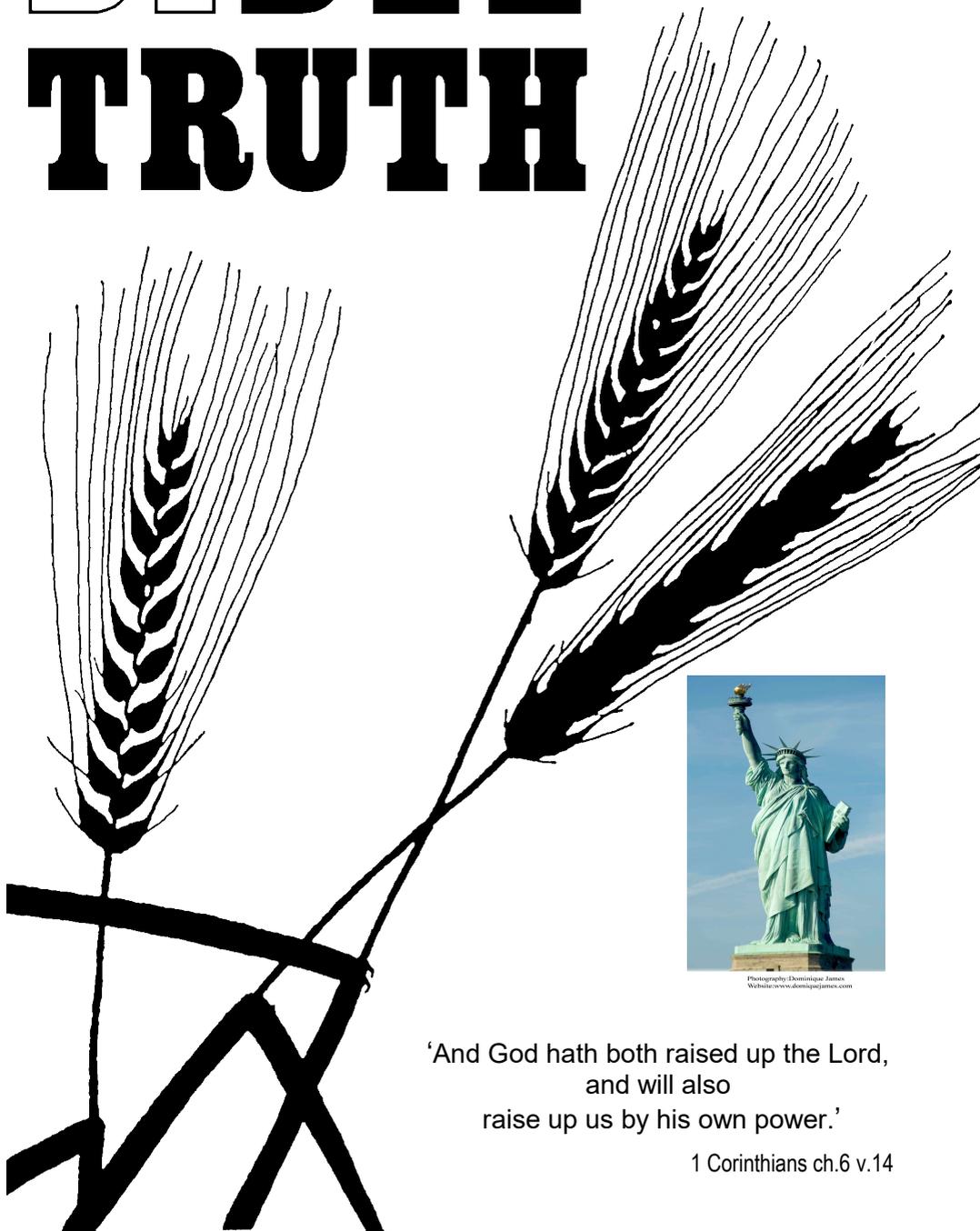


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‘And God hath both raised up the Lord,  
and will also  
raise up us by his own power.’

1 Corinthians ch.6 v.14

# BROUGHT TO OUR KNEES

by John Trotter

Isaiah ch.1 v.9 & ch.2 vv 12-17; Micah ch.2 vv 12-13;  
Romans ch.11 v.5

There is no doubt in my mind that many of the nations largely descended from the ancient Israelites have to be brought to their knees. The circumstances of world affairs have to be similar to the time when Gideon was chosen with his 300 to confront the Midianites who were in the valley like grasshoppers in great numbers. They came to destroy Israel (Judges ch.6 v.5). They have to be brought to a situation where they cannot vaunt themselves and say their might and strength saved them.

In short these nations have been living under the curses of Leviticus ch.26.

‘And I will break the pride of your power; and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass: And your strength shall be spent in vain: for your land shall not yield her increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits.’

Leviticus ch.26 vv 19-20

Yet in the following verses there is a way out of the predicament if their iniquity is confessed.

‘If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me;’

Leviticus ch.26 v.40

Then God will remember the Covenant with Jacob, Isaac and Abraham.

‘Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land.’

Leviticus ch.26 v.42

They are to humble themselves with a circumcised heart.

‘And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity:’

Leviticus ch.26 v.41

If they follow God's desire, He will not utterly destroy them.

'And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am the LORD their God.'

Leviticus ch.26 v.44

The Bible is very clear in its message as regards the need to obey the laws that relate to economy and finance. The Ten Commandments are what could be described as the Constitution of the Laws. All these laws are eternal and have not been annulled even by the death of Christ. Only the laws concerning the sacrifice of animals have been done away with because Christ became the ultimate sacrifice for His people and mankind. The Apostle Matthew is very clear as regards the eternal aspect of the laws.

'For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.'

Matthew ch.5 v.18

The following verse provides a very worrying warning to those who believe that the laws are no longer relevant and have been done away with at the Cross.

'Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.'

Matthew ch.5 v.19

It is not just the laws that must be obeyed but also there needs to be recognition of who Jesus Christ is, His association with Israel and what He has done for them as individuals and as a nation. No matter who they are, these are still necessary requirements before the Kingdom can be entered.

It is my opinion that God has already predestined a remnant who are not only the Watchmen in Israel (Ezekiel ch.3 v.17; Micah ch.7 v.4) but they will provide the warning sign that will herald an awakening to the future crisis. God will put into their mouths the words of hope for those who have a genuine desire to understand the times. It must be clearly understood that this predestined remnant will not impact upon the masses until all parts of the puzzle fall into the time frame of God's plan for the Ages. Just as someone had to carry out the role of betraying Christ, to help fulfil prophecy, so God has

prepared a remnant within Israel, to preserve the unconditional covenants, which He made with their Fathers.

The history of Israel in the Old Testament is a sad reflection of disobedience. Less than a handful of kings were obedient to the laws. It is the same today. Leaders have willingly walked in the way of Cain, the error of Balaam and the rebellion of Core (Jude v.11).

Satan's ministers of righteousness (2 Corinthians ch.11 v.15) will be allowed by God to play their part in all areas of society. This includes the Government, big cartels and even in the churches. In Psalm 55 there is an account by David of a very perplexing situation. He had been betrayed by someone he trusted for they even walked into the House of God together. Great men like Bishop J.C. Ryle and C.H. Spurgeon would be horrified if they could see the condition of the churches. Apostasy is one word that comes to mind. Our leaders have lost the vision that is necessary to equitably spread the wealth of God's creation. If we obeyed all the laws there would be no poor in the land.

'Save when there shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it.'

Deuteronomy ch.15 v.4

'For the love of money is the root of all evil: ...'

I Timothy ch.6 v.10

Wealth rules the minds of men. Everything is looked at in terms of monetary value, rather than seeing what man produces as the wealth of God, which He is offering to us through our God given ingenuity and intelligence.

'Behold that which I have seen: it is good and comely for one to eat and to drink, and to enjoy the good of all his labour that he taketh under the sun all the days of his life, which God giveth him: for it is his portion. Every man also to whom God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labour; this is the gift of God. For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because God answereth him in the joy of his heart.'

Ecclesiastes ch.5 vv 18-20

In many places private enterprise is discouraged at every level and the whole economy is based upon greed and the mortgaging (death grip) of the land. People have become so mesmerised by scientific knowledge that they say in their heart,

‘ ... My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth’.

Deuteronomy ch.8 v.17

In short, science has become our saviour. Because of the meaning of science (knowledge) it has become the religion of the modern day Gnostics. One of the outcomes of this false belief is that we are attempting to dethrone God and replace Him with our own power and authority. Karl Marx made it quite clear that his main aim was to dethrone God and destroy capitalism.

I came to the conclusion many years ago that the rulers of this world do not intend to solve the problems of humanity. To counteract this continual planned chaos, they inflict society with more laws, to not only empower themselves, but to enslave the masses into a form of hypnosis. Trivial pursuits and entertainment softens the blows of the day to day routine. During election times they offer a few tantalising carrots to satisfy the desires of the taunted masses. It is Pavlov’s dogs all over again.

The general feeling is that God should have no part to play in the affairs of State. This again is the result of an education system that has been in the hands of the humanists for many decades. It is interesting that the word ‘education’ means ‘to draw out’. In fact the reverse is occurring, for through a process of propaganda that has more often than not begun with the United Nations, the youth of today are seen as the new frontier of a new society based upon Orwellian designs where all private property will be abolished. The above might appear to be far fetched but we have been assured by those in the know that ‘power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely’. Kissinger once said that power is a drug that hallucinates the mind. Because the world’s leaders are playing out this power struggle they have convinced themselves that it is only they who know what is good for us. The important question is this: How long will God allow these leaders to play this game? Some nations have become arrogant (Isaiah ch.13 v.11) and they are aptly described in the following.

‘Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength; but trusted in the abundance of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.’

Psalms 52 v.7

It is important to realise that God not only remembers our wickedness but also that there is no saviour but God.

‘And they consider not in their hearts that I remember all their wickedness: now their own doings have beset them about; they are before my face.’

Hosea ch.7 v.2

‘Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early dew that passeth away, as the chaff that is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and as the smoke out of the chimney. Yet I am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me: for there is no saviour beside me.’

Hosea ch.13 vv 3-4

Whilst we have become more sophisticated in our methods of covering our sinful actions we are in effect living in a hedonistic society. The level of pleasure and entertainment is at such a level that it distorts the meaning of life. We are born, then consume and then we die. Happiness is the **goal** of life.

But there is coming a moment in history when ‘our ends will be God’s beginnings’.

‘Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.’

Isaiah ch.1 v.9

The duty of the remnant will soon help to show the way as a prerequisite for the return of Christ to establish His Kingdom upon this earth. He will also sit upon the throne of David as promised in Luke ch.1 v.32. This remnant has been chosen for a very special role, namely ruling with Christ. It is my opinion that during the early period of the Millennium, the Kingdom will be cleansed of the tares that have taken on the appearance of the wheat. But the harvest time is coming. Many outside the Kingdom will be brought in to take their part and many inside the Kingdom will be cast out. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. The scales of Israel’s blindness will be lifted and their heritage and inheritance will be heralded throughout the Kingdom.

World events will cause the Western Nations to reconsider their intentions. The hearts and minds of many will begin to waiver. It will become obvious that the outcome of this age is not dependant upon the desires of man but rather upon powers that are outside the realm of man’s control. The belief that man can guide his own destiny is to be rocked off its foundations, but unfortunately it is going to take an event or events far more shocking than the 9/11 Twin Towers

collapse. In short God is preparing the nations for a knee knocking experience that will usher in the New Heaven and New Earth.

The following verse is not to be spiritualised away by some post-millennial interpretation of Scripture. The promises uttered here are not going to take place in heaven but here on earth in the near future. Let us rejoice in the fact that this world order will pass away and the words of the verses to follow will become a reality.

‘And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase. And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the LORD. Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.’

Jeremiah ch.23 vv 3-6

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