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AGENTS OF SATAN

In order for Christians to effectively conduct spiritual warfare, it is important to know who we are fighting. It is obvious that the Devil, the other fallen angels, and demons are strongly opposing us, but let's not forget the men and women who are not born again and citizens in the Kingdom of Satan.

NIP-13

"Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

Who hath **delivered us from the power of darkness,** and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins." (Colossians 1:12-14)

This does not mean that every unbeliever is an active agent for the Kingdom of Satan. Many are passive, not doing anything, except living for themselves, just like the majority of born-again Christians.

POPULATION GROWTH

At the year 1800, it is estimated that the population in the United States was six million, spread out in 16 states. By 1850 the states had Pastor John S. Torell

grown to 31 and the population was at 23.2 million. In another fifty years, the number of states stood at 45 with a population of 76.2 million. By 1950 three more states were added and the population almost doubled to 150.7 million. There were 50 states by the year 2000 with a populace of 281.4 million. In 2023 there are 335.3 million living in America. The growth stems from two sources: births and immigration.

NATIONS ARE NOT STATIC

It should be obvious that the culture of a nation is determined by its people. This is further broken down to religious beliefs, political events, and social media.

The United States was founded on biblical principles that stated God is supreme and each man is equal. There was no desire for a king and the founding fathers created a republic that was to be governed by elected officials. This was established in the Constitution and twenty-seven amendments. The eighteenth amendment outlawed the production and drinking of alcohol and it was repealed by the twenty-first amendment.

At its foundation, there were a number of political factions in the United States. Some of them were based upon Christianity, others by secularism, banking, manufacturing, trade, agriculture, etc.

THE ANTI-MASONIC PARTY

There were a number of Freemasonic lodges and George Washington was a member in one of them. These were British lodges that had evolved from craftsmen in England. But it was not long after 1776 that members of the Illuminati in Europe came to the America and took them over.

At the time of the nation's foundation and up to 1900, social media consisted of newspapers, printed pamphlets, and books. Churches became a place where people could meet, socialize, and express their views on religious and political matters.

With the Illuminati's infiltration of American Freemasonry lodges, the evil grew to the point that concerned Americans founded the Anti-Masonic Party in 1828. However, the pushback from the Devil was so intense that the fledgling party was dissolved in 1840. The Illuminati faction used its vast resources of money, use of newspapers, and political bribes to break the power of the Anti-Freemasonic party. Most of the members in the anti-masonic movement came from Christian churches.

GOD'S GENERAL

Charles Finney (1792-1875) was God's man for America in this time of crisis. His parents were Baptists and the church his family belonged to was part of the revival movement of that day. As a young man, he studied law to become an attorney in Adams, New York. He joined a Presbyterian church and became the director of the choir. It was during this time that he was baptized in the Holy Spirit and this experience was so dramatic that he dropped his law studies to become a fulltime evangelist.

It is interesting that Finney had been born again as a child, but as he got older, he was enticed to join a Masonic lodge. After receiving the Holy Spirit baptism, he renounced his membership in the lodge and joined the Anti-Mason movement. At the age of 29, he became a theological student under the Presbyterian pastor George Washington Gale. After finishing his theological studies, he moved to New York, where he became the pastor of Chatham Street Chapel. One of the first things he did was to ban slave traders and slave owners from receiving communion in the church. From 1825 to 1835, Finney held revival meetings in a number of places in New York. Here is a description of the result of revival preaching in Rochester, New York:

A leading pastor in New York who was converted in the Rochester meetings gave the following account of the effects of Finney's meetings in that city: "The whole community was stirred. Religion was the topic of conversation in the house, in the shop, in the office and on the street. The only theater in the city was converted into a livery stable; the only circus into a soap and candle factory. Grog shops were closed; the Sabbath was honored; the sanctuaries were thronged with happy worshippers; a new impulse was given to every philanthropic enterprise; the fountains of benevolence were opened, and men lived to do good." ¹

Finney made a deep impression upon America and he was not afraid of getting political. In addition to

¹ https://tinyurl.com/4e9a5wet

being anti-Mason, he supported the abolitionist movement of ending slavery and denounced slavery as a national sin many times from the pulpit.

From 1851 to 1866, he served as the president of the Oberlin College and Conservatory in Ohio. Finney was active as a Christian educator during the Civil War (1861-1865) and he had the joy of seeing the slaves emancipated.

SATAN'S GENERAL

Joseph Smith (1805-1844) was one of Satan's physical minions who started the religion of Mormonism. While Finney was used mightily by God, Smith never impacted the nation while he was alive. The power of the Holy Spirit was so strong that the false doctrine of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young did not get any traction until 1950 when the Mormon Church started to make an impact. Smith was a "tare" that Satan planted in God's field. (Matthew 13:36-43)

"...but the tares are the children of the wicked one; The enemy that sowed them is the devil..."

(Matthew 13:38b-39a)

ANOTHER TARE

Ellen G. White (1827-1915) is the one of the cofounders of the Seventh Day Adventist's (SDA). She and her family were part of the Millerite movement led by the Baptist preacher William Miller (1782-1849) who predicted the second coming of Christ would take place on October 22, 1844. Many thousands gathered on hills and mountains to be the first to see Jesus, and when he did not come, they were dejected. Ellen and her husband, James, (1821-1881) along with Rev. Joseph Bates convinced some of the Millerites to join their new movement. It took this new denomination many years to build itself into a global church and currently boasts 97,811 churches worldwide with a membership of some 22.2 million members.

Ellen White taught that Jesus did return, but only to the sanctuary in heaven, where he has been busy for the last 150+ years cleaning it. She also taught that in order to be saved, it was necessary to join the Seventh Day Adventist church and be baptized in their church. Saturday was the true Sabbath; no other days were valid. When she and her husband became vegetarians due to his illness with cancer, she added the need to be a vegetarian to be saved.

According to Ellen, being saved by grace did not exist, you were only saved by works. The leadership of the SDA walked away from the teaching of Ellen in the 1980s and moved to a modified form of salvation by grace.

A SIMPLE LIFESTYLE

Life from 1800-1875 was relatively simple. There was no electricity and candles were commonly used for lighting at night. The use of kerosene lighting became common around 1846. Houses did not have indoor plumbing and water was fetched from wells. Since there were no refrigerators, it was necessary to shop every day.

All political decisions were made by men and women did not have the right to vote in elections. The suffrage movement would not achieve success until 1919.

Christians went to church on Sundays and the ungodly spent their time in taverns. Drinking alcohol and gambling was normal for the unsaved. Gossip was the normal way for people to find out what was happening in their communities. Most people would turn in for the night when it was dark and they rose with the sun.

MASS TRANSPORTATION

Rail transportation would radically change the United States. Up to this time, canals and horse drawn wagons were the primary source of transportation. The Baltimore-Ohio rail line was the first functional railroad in 1827. By 1860, every major city from New England to the Midwest was connected by rail. The transcontinental railroad was built six years later and trains were able to travel from Oakland, California to Council Bluffs, Iowa. It was no longer necessary to sail around the horn of Cape Hope as goods and people could be transported much faster via the transcontinental railroad.

The travel time of six months by wagon or twentyfive days by stagecoach was reduced to four days. This made it possible for people to travel to different states in a reasonable time. It also opened up new markets for the factories in the east, allowing their products to be shipped west via train. D.L. Moody (1837-1899) used the railroad system to travel across United States and hold revival meetings. Moody became the next general in the Kingdom of God when Charles Finney passed away in 1875.

SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS

The churches were spiritually weak. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit took place here and there, but there were no Pentecostal churches. The gifts of the Holy Spirit were not taught and the command of Jesus to cast out demons and heal the sick was non-existent. While spiritual warfare did not exist, there was earnest prayer for revivals and awakenings.

The Christian community was blissfully ignorant of the fact that an undergraduate senior secret student society had been established at Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut in 1832. The Order of Skull and Bones would go on to seize control of America's educational system, and the Bonesmen, as they were called, would go on to upper echelons of power in America. Men like William Howard Taft, George H.W. Bush, and George W. Bush would go on to become U.S. presidents.

At the end of the Civil War there was a generational shift and the simple life that existed from 1800 to 1865 ceased to exist. Christians cannot live in the past. We need to embrace the fact that life is not stagnate. We must evolve and learn to live in an environment that is constantly changing from generation to generation.

To be continued...

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY!

"AND IT CAME TO PASS, THAT, AS HE WAS PRAYING IN A CERTAIN PLACE, WHEN HE CEASED, ONE OF HIS DISCIPLES SAID UNTO HIM, LORD, **TEACH US TO PRAY**, AS JOHN ALSO TAUGHT HIS DISCIPLES." LUKE 11:1

PRAYER TARGET

I am purposely not changing our prayer targets. We are going to focus on them until they are answered by the Lord.

Donald Trump is nationalistic in his worldview, but he is a fallible man. He is resisting the Kabbalistic men and women entrenched in the government. Pray for his protection as he battles multiple bogus indictments.

Let's pray that Joe Biden will repent and turn from his wickedness as the leader of the Biden crime family. If he refuses to change and won't be a righteous president, let God remove him from the earth.

Kamala Harris is a licentious woman who has used her sexuality to rise to a position of power. If she won't repent and become a virtuous woman of God, let her be removed from the earth.

Jeffrey Zients is the de facto president while serving as the White House chief of staff. He puts forth policies which benefit his spiritual master, Lucifer, and not the American people. If he won't repent and become a man that serves the Lord, let God remove him from the earth.

The wicked homosexual and transgender lifestyles are to be soundly condemned; as is their agenda of targeting children with the intention of perverting their young minds. Pray that God will open their eyes to the moral perversion they have embraced and that they will repent. Anyone who stubbornly resists the agenda of righteousness and delights in debauchery will have their life shortened and be removed from the earth.