

# IT DOES MATTER, OR DOESN'T IT?



## The Acceptable Conditions?

The present global conditions require a healthy concern on our part. Our national and local conditions, which keep us from experiencing "one nation under God," having "LIFE, LIBERTY and the PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS," leave us at a disadvantage in the middle of global conditions. We rightly need to be correcting as much as possible the **ever expanding mental, moral and social swamp**. We are being led deeper and deeper into the murky darkness by much of the media. What we ought to know is **not rightly reported**. The well entrenched power structure **has great control**. It is determined to **take even greater control** in the immediate future, in the name of "caring." The movement to control is gained by fearing the temperature, by legalizing drugs (more for pleasure than pain), by fearing the rightly fixing of health care, by eliminating good old fashioned common sense out of our educational systems, by promoting confusion as to what it means to be male and female, by failing to rightly prosecute criminal acts, by neglecting to rightly care for **our military, our veterans, our local police**, and by our not seeking to rightly handle immigration, to name some of the issues. Add to this the contamination of morality which makes for the approving of that which is wrong, attacking that which is right, and abandoning historic ethical common sense. Public laxity and apathy about the religious, educational, sexual, governmental realities do not encourage correcting our course. Such leads to the deterioration and loss of our good foundation on which we can build, that is, our Declaration and Constitution. **"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy..."** (2 Timothy 3:1-2).

## The Assured Consequences!

These are the ingredients for troubled people in troubling times. "Woe unto **them that call evil good**, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! (Isaiah 5:20). "We looked for peace, but no good came; and for a time of health, and behold trouble!" (Jeremiah 8:15). The absence of **TRUTH**, the presence of **ERROR**, the absence of **LIGHT**, the power of **DARKNESS**: "He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the Name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world of men **loved darkness** rather than light, because their deeds were evil" (John 3:18-19). "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for **whatsoever a man soweth**, that shall he also reap" (Galatians 6:7). Those who mock will someday be shocked.

## The Approved Choice

What should a person do? Follow God's Word which is meant to bring you to the only God and only Saviour (Isaiah 43:11; 45:21-23). He alone can **save** your soul and **satisfy** your heart: "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isaiah 1:18). "Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein" (Jeremiah 6:16). "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore **CHOOSE LIFE**, that both thou and thy seed may live: that thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey His voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto Him: for **HE IS THY LIFE**, and the length of thy days" (Deuteronomy 30:19-20). "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the **LIFE**: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me" (John 14:6). "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name" (John 1:12).

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