

George Washington We Need Him Today! HIS STATESMANSHIP



HIS FIRST INAUGURAL ADDRESS (April 30, 1789): "No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the invisible Hand which conducts the affairs of men **more than** those of the United States. Every step which they have advanced to the character of an **independent nation** seems to have been distinguished by some token of **providential agency**....since we ought to be no less persuaded that the **propitious smile of Heaven** can never be expected on a nation that **disregards the eternal rules of order and right** which Heaven itself had ordained; and since the preservation of the **sacred fire of liberty** and the destiny of the **republican model of government** are justly considered, perhaps, as **deeply**, as **finally**, staked on **the experiment entrusted to the hands of the American people.**" "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:34).

FAREWELL ADDRESS (Sept. 17, 1796): "Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are **indispensable supports** ... Let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, **reason** and **experience** both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle ... It is substantially true that **virtue or morality** is a necessary spring of popular government." In his Thanksgiving Proclamation (Oct. 3, 1789) Washington said: "It is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor.... While just government protects all in their religious rights, **true religion** affords to government its surest support."

"**Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD.** The LORD looketh from heaven; He beholdeth all the sons of men. From the place of His habitation **He looketh upon** all the inhabitants of the earth. Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them **that fear Him**, upon them that hope in His mercy" (Psalm 33:12-14,18).

HIS SUBMISSION - "May we unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great **Lord and Ruler of Nations**, and beseech Him to **pardon** our national and other transgressions." In his will recorded in Virginia: "...most humbly desiring **forgiveness** of the same (my sins past) from **Almighty God, my Saviour and Redeemer** in Whom and **by the merits of Jesus Christ, I trust and believe assuredly to be saved** and to have **full remission** and forgiveness of all my sins." **CAN YOU SAY THIS WITH WASHINGTON?**

As the country so its people need to rightly acknowledge and honor the living and only God in the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ: "And this is life eternal, that they **might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ**, whom Thou hast sent" (John 17:3). "**BELIEVE** on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be **SAVED**" (Acts 16:31 and see Acts 4:12).

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