

Becoming Spiritual is Critical for a Believer's Survival

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Urgency

2 Timothy 3:1 The Message

Don't be naive. ... There are difficult times ahead.

You will be labeled and demonized

“Jim, we haven't had the pleasure of meeting in person but being an educated voter and knowing you subscribe to the views in this study you have advertised - -

<https://www.patriotacademy.com/biblicalcitizenship/> - - I would like to offer a *non-Christian nationalist* alternative to good biblical citizenship.”

You will not survive the difficult time ahead – unless you understand the importance of transitioning from being religious indoctrinated to becoming a spiritual son of God

Romans 1:16 The Voice

For I am not the least bit embarrassed about the gospel. I won't shy away from it, because it is God's power to save every person who believes: first the Jew, and then the non-Jew.

Constantly be on Guard Against any and ALL Ideologies that go Contrary to the Word of God

Colossians 2 New Living Translation

3 In Him lie hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. ... 4 I am telling you this so no one will deceive you with well-crafted arguments.

8 Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the spiritual powers of this world, rather than from Christ.

Once an Ideology is Discovered – It must be Destroyed

2 Corinthians 10:5 Amplified Bible

We are destroying sophisticated arguments and every exalted and proud thing that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought and purpose captive to the obedience of Christ,

Freedom from Ideologies is the Only Pathway to Spirituality

John 8:31-33 The Message

31-32 Then Jesus turned to the Jews who had claimed to believe in him. “If you stick with this, living out what I tell you, you are my disciples for sure. Then you will experience for yourselves the truth, and the truth will free you.” ... 33 Surprised, they said, “But we’re descendants of Abraham. We’ve never been slaves to anyone. How can you say, ‘The truth will free you’?”

Becoming a Child of God begins with Understanding the Dynamics of the Spirit Realm

Understanding the Importance of Protocol

Protocol is necessary because of the position we hold

2 Corinthians 5:20 The Voice

So, we are now representatives of the Anointed One, *(So we are ambassadors for Christ)* the Liberating King; God has given us a charge to carry through our lives—urging all people on behalf of the Anointed to become reconciled to the Creator God.

Protocol is necessary because of the Kingdom we represent

Colossians 1:13-14 New Living Translation

For he has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, 14 who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins.

Because we represent the Kingdom of God – everything we say needs to reflect the position of the Kingdom and not our own thoughts or opinions ... We certainly should not be speaking nor reflecting the kingdom of darkness which we have been translated out of.

John 5:19 The Voice

Jesus: The truth is that the Son does nothing on His own; - all these actions are led by the Father. ... The Son watches the Father closely and then mimics the work of the Father.

Spiritual Nugget / Mindset Shift

In order to become an effective ambassador {Son of the Living God} – you must die to your own identity – your own name – your own heritage ... You are now a citizen of a new Kingdom – a spiritual kingdom ... Which gives you a new identity – a new name – a new heritage ... In light of this truth – you need to understand that your assignment as an ambassador has all been written down in “The Book”

Jesus

Hebrews 10:7 New Century Version

Then I said, ‘Look, I have come. ... It is written about me in the book. ... God, I have come to do what you want.’”

Man

Psalms 139:14-17 New Century Version

I praise you because you made me in an amazing and wonderful way. ... What you have done is wonderful. ... I know this very well. ... 15 You saw my bones being formed as I took shape in my mother’s body. ... When I was put together there, ... 16 you saw my body as it was formed. ... All the days planned for me were written in your book before I was one day old. ... 17 God, your thoughts are precious to me. ... They are so many!

Parting Thoughts

One of the struggles a believer goes through is trying to discern God’s will for his/her life ... This struggle is compounded by the fact that they have been religiously indoctrinated to believe

that God's will for their life can be found in the Word of God ... I will not go very deep with these parting thoughts as the body is not ready to receive this yet ... Understand – God is spirit – His will is spiritual in nature – and the natural man can not understand the things of the spirit as they are spiritually discerned ... True spiritual discernment can only occur when one is functioning in the spirit

Revelation 1:10 Expanded Bible

On the Lord's day [probably a reference to the first day of the week, Sunday, when Christians met for worship] ... **I was in the Spirit** [or spirit; *a state of deep spiritual communion with God*], and I heard a loud voice behind me that sounded like a trumpet [trumpet blasts often precede a divine appearance or speech; Ex. 19:16, 19].

Revelation 4:1-2 New King James Version

After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this." ... 2 Immediately **I was in the Spirit**; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and One sat on the throne.