



Church of Perth Intercessory Team

"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 2 CHRONICLES 7:14

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GUARD YOUR LOADED WORDS

Hebrews 4:12 states that "The Word of God is living and active, sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." The author of Hebrews describes it as a living power that judges as with an all-seeing eye penetrating a person's innermost being, soul and spirit, joints and marrows - i.e. the totality and depth of one's being! The true you is in the spirit.

Over the centuries God has not changed. His Word and level of holiness is not varied. His Living Word, JESUS CHRIST, has not faltered since 2000 years ago. God in CHRIST was, is and will always be the Great King and Great High Priest and He must be revered as such. Today, all believers who are enjoying the Holy Spirit's presence and His benefits must not treat what JESUS calls holy in an irreverent way, for they are going against God, the Holy Spirit. JESUS was letting us know ahead of time that before His glorious return, a holy divine order had to be re-established. Who else better to carry out this warning for our nation's restoration than all faithful believers in CHRIST JESUS, and this includes our nation's leaders whom God has appointed in our Federal and State Governments. Think what a change it would make to our nation and the world if men and women paused to humble themselves, repent and pray, listening to the word of our Lord, using it in season with salt. The spoken Word of God cannot be escaped or negotiated, for God's Word is loaded with divinity. On the other hand, the devil's word is uttered with a lie and a deception to rob your soul!

The dominant heart quality of a person will possess and accompany his words with absolute precision. In Mark 7:20-23, Jesus said "What comes out of a man is what makes him unclean. For from within, out of men's hearts come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lawlessness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. All these evils come from inside and make a man unclean." Jesus teaches that our words reveal our heart character.

God actually has a plan for men and women that we are one race with two sexes, equal but different. We have all been created to have a personal relationship with Him in Christ to lead a successful, liberated life in His Spirit of love, joy and peace. Jesus came to show us God's way. Moreover, He taught us that in order to have God's success, we must "seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given unto us as well" (Matt 6:33). The Gospel is only in the power of God's Word.

However, we need to ask ourselves; are we as a nation taking heed of God's Word and living under biblical principles and/or are we living under a false belief that we are in control? When men and women come to understand that true strength can only be found on the inside, then they will stop clambering on each other in men's or women's movements! Cultural norms are not biblical norms.

Like a plague, political correctness (PC) swept across the English-speaking world wreaking havoc with the long-accepted use of our language which began some 25 years ago as a revolt by a small group of feminists to delete such "sexist" words as policeman, chairman, mankind and countless other male-gender terms. This is now part of a social revolution impinging on our daily lives with characteristics of an enemy within.

In an effort to throw a smokescreen around any term claimed to cause offence, the devious art of gobbledygook has been thrust upon us. A dwarf is no longer a dwarf, he is "vertically challenged." The blind are "visionally challenged"; the poor are "differently advantaged". More serious however, is the employment of obfuscation to disguise sin in its various forms. Modesty has become a sexual hangup; chastity, neurotic inhibition; living in sin, a meaningful relationship; perversion, an alternative lifestyle; moral irresponsibility, being freed up; biblical values, fundamentalism. If our nation's leaders are not operating in their God-given authority, it is because they do not know their Lord Jesus or in whose authority they operate. They cannot walk in spiritual authority when in doubt or operating in their emotions.

George Orwell got it right when he warned that the abuse and decline of the English language would have degenerative effects on public debate on important issues as well as on the moral and political climate of a nation. This invasion of language however, is only the tip of the political correctness iceberg. For political correctness is much more than that. It invades into the ethos of the basic human social system revolutionised by the ideological left of the feminist movement. Within this movement, it reveals strong feminist, multicultural and egalitarian agendas with its stance on "pro-choice" on abortion, "pro-affirmative" in favour of discrimination of women in employment, "pro-homosexual"; "pro-socialism", "humanism" and "atheism".

Through affirmative action, it is forcing male breadwinners into the ranks of the unemployed, destroying their self-esteem and often their families. Political correctness has become the yardstick for judging both people and beliefs. Because of its influence, classical literature is being purged of anything that remotely smacks of favouring whites, males or Anglo-saxon. History and geography texts now present an entirely new view. History has been re-written to impose a guilt complex on students for their Anglo-saxon heritage that has supposedly destroyed indigenous peoples and replaced their idyllic way of life with genocide degradation. Geography today has little to do with climate, terrain etc, but rather has become a political vehicle to attack companies for exploiting workers in the Third World, to portray women as oppressed; and to depict the timber and mining industries as environmental disasters.

It goes without saying that biblical standards are viewed by the world as politically incorrect. Traditional views of morality, marriage, parenthood, Godly behaviour and faith in God - are like a red rag to the disciples of PC. The very foundation of political correctness is a hatred of all that is truly Christian. Bible-believing Christians are to be ridiculed, ostracised and condemned as enemies of society. It is a battle between the forces of darkness and those of the light. All that is politically correct is in fact anti-biblical and anti-God. It is the handmaiden of humanism, the belief that man is god and he/she has the answers to life. The moral depravity, feminism and racial divisions exposed by the political correct system continue to erode the nation from within. Sadly, the politically correct system may appear sound, with characteristics of a strong tall tree. However, deep inside the depth of the tree, the ghastly truth is exposed revealing a society of termites determined to feed themselves no matter what the cost.

It is high time to get back to the values that once made us great - the Godly standards that are so despised by this enemy within that has led us so far down the road to ruin. The only solution to its destructive influence is to raise up Godly men and women in positions of power - men who have recaptured their lost manhood and women, their lost femininity.

Our Prayer

Our gracious and righteous Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. We come humbly before Your throne of grace and mercy, joining the leaders of our nation in total repentance. We thank You for Your Living Word, JESUS CHRIST, Your Eternal Son, Your express image in person, sustaining all things by Your powerful Word, the nuclear of Your living breath speaking in this universe. In Him all things hold together (Col 1:17).

Lord Jesus, we love You for the tender relationship You sustain towards a soul that is perfectly wedded to You by Your Holy Spirit. As our Creator, we adore You; as our Redeemer, we boundlessly trust You; as our Great King, we obey You; as our Judge, we fear you; as our Master, we submit to You; as our Lord and Saviour, we faithfully thank and praise You; as our spiritual Bridegroom, our hearts are passionately devoted to You. Lord JESUS, thank you for being the Lover of our souls enabling us to be in perfect union with You in the delicate embraces of Your Spirit. Holy Spirit, in Your infinite love for JESUS, flood our beings with fervent love for CHRIST JESUS as we long for your astounding return in glory. In JESUS' majestic and glorious Name, we pray...Amen.

C.O.P.I.T. - led by our LORD JESUS CHRIST in the presence of the HOLY SPIRIT to glorify the FATHERHOOD OF GOD with the Brotherhood of Man, in love and faithfulness to bring glory to our Eternal Father, in Jesus' name. Amen and Glory!