



REPENT AUSTRALIA

"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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DEFEND THE FAITH

Never before in its comparatively short history has Australia faced such a crisis of identity as we do today. Never before has the very cultural fabric that has bound us together as a united society been in such danger of being torn apart as our Christian faith is threatened by forces from within and without this once blessed land. We seem to have abandoned our faith in Christ and with it our traditional and spiritual values with the result that we are unable to stand resolutely against the destructive and decadent forces all around us, in spite of our great prosperity. These forces are attacking us on two unrelated fronts. The more obvious is the grim threat of the worldwide spread of Islam and its tactics to terrorise Western "Christian" societies. The other is the subtle secular materialistic liberalism that is eroding the moral fibre of both old and young alike. As we lose our spiritual perspective we lose our sense decency, morality and the ultimate purpose of life, groping about in a misty way for what is good and true. Our moral values are such that marriage, the very cornerstone of society, is mocked by so many couples living in sin together as de factos; the brazen flaunting of homosexuality, a sure sign of a society in decline; and justice so often delayed and denied by courts that reflect a strong humanist bias by many of the judiciary. Increasingly, too, our youth are becoming directionless, many caught up by the mind-bending power of the mass media via the music, film, video, Web-based and telephonic sources so constantly available and undoubtedly an insidious attack on the morals of our society. Not to mention the widespread use of drugs and the rock music festivals which have assumed a cultic form of worship that releases young people from themselves as part of a highly emotional crowd and the excitement generated by a mix of heavy metal rhythm, noise and special lighting effects.

Advent of Islam

The relatively recent advent of Islam into the West cannot entirely be divorced from the widespread decadence so evident in our midst. As faith in the God of the Bible has waned and its standards spurned, Muslims, roundly condemnatory of its degenerate ways, are rushing in to fill the vacuum. Moreover, they are being well and truly aided and abetted by the leaders of our nation, past and present, by opening the floodgates to all and sundry of whatever religion in the name of multiculturalism or cultural diversity. Now, too late, the authorities are trying to close the stable door, but sadly a little too late as the horse has bolted. We now have in our midst hundreds of thousands of newcomers whose allegiance is to a religion completely alien to our way of life--and hostile to it! Deluded by the catch-cry that all cultures are equal and worth celebrating we are being compelled by circumstances to learn the hard way the lesson that multiculturalism is an experiment that is doomed to failure. Such circumstances include the case where the Victorian police were recently instructed to go easy when investigating instances of violence on Islamic women---all in the name of cultural sensitivity because the Koran condones wife-beating. Not to mention the police turning a blind eye to disturbances by Lebanese Muslims following riots at Cronulla. In fact, why are so many Australians cowering and even grovelling in obeisance to every other religious philosophy in an attempt to gratify their adherents, not realising that faith in Christ is the only basis of eternal life?

Commonly-Held Value System

The foundation for any successful civilisation---the cement that binds it together---is its culture. Furthermore, the basis of the culture is the commonly-held value system, which comes from the common religion; and the laws can only be enforced if they conform to that commonly-held value system. So how can multiculturalism work in the long term? Britain is but one Christian country that embraced a non-discriminatory immigration policy years ago, confusing ethnic issues with what were actually religious issues and now has to try and deal with the terrible ramifications. No wonder terrorist cells are deeply embedded throughout the land. Moreover, hidden among the hundreds of thousands of Islamic settlers in *our* country as well, is a deep faith-driven commitment to establish an alien belief system and in time overwhelm the wider society with its own very different set of values.

A Bastion of Christianity

Enough is enough! Where is the national spiritual backbone and unwavering conviction that once sustained us as a strong Christian nation unadulterated by foreign religions and deities? This is the Great Southland of the Holy Spirit, pre-ordained by God as a bastion of Christianity in the antipodes (along with our brother nation New Zealand). We were never intended to be a melting pot of cultures and must realise that no nation in history has survived with many gods as its objects of worship. In fact, God has commanded, "You shall have no other gods but Me." If you water and feed a lawn it will flourish and you'll have no problem with weeds. Likewise if we put all our efforts into promoting faith in Christ whereby we have developed as a successful nation, eventually we shall have no problem with the weeds and tares in our midst. We *must* get back to the Faith of our Fathers and defend it with all our might! How? Firstly, by acknowledging that we are a prodigal land that has wasted its God-given inheritance on unrighteous and ungodly living and that we are now feeding on the empty, unsatisfying husks of materialism, unbelief and denial of the goodness of the Lord God.

A Prodigal Nation

Whether we recognise it or not, our need for the grace of God is great. Like the prodigal son of the parable, as both individuals and as a nation, we need to come in sincere repentance and say, "I will arise and go to my Father". The blessings that have been ours through the years are fast drying up. We are no longer the Lucky Country. O Australia, how long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him; but if man is god, then follow his atheistic ways. If the secular humanists are right: that there is no God; that there are no fixed standards of morality; that we are ruled by chance; that the Bible is a lie; that Jesus never shed His blood for lost mankind; and that there is no eternal hope---then follow them. But if not, if the Lord be God follow Him. If the Lord God really does love us enough to die for us; if He has given us His holy Word as the moral basis for our nation; if He has blessed us in countless ways in the past; and if He promises us eternal life, hope, peace and joy---let us follow Him. This is His land---let's make it so! We must stand united in the Christian faith against these insidious forces at work in our midst and with resolution nail God's colours to the mast. It is imperative that His will be done in Australia and that by His grace we now defend the Faith with all our might or we shall fail in our God-given destiny. But that will never happen, will it?

PRAYER

Almighty God and Father of mankind, how majestic is Your name in all the earth; we gratefully thank You for our Saviour and Lord, JESUS CHRIST, and for Your omnipotent Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts. We also express our thanks for power to defend the true Faith in the face of great opposition clothed in the full armour of Christ: *His* girdle of truth; *His* breastplate of righteousness; *His* preparation of the Gospel of peace; *His* shield of faith; *His* helmet of salvation; and *His* sword of the Spirit. Thank You, too, Father, for exposing the devil as the father of lies, unbelief, corruption, false philosophies, witchcraft and false gods. As prayer-watchmen we stand in Your super-abundant grace to pull down demonic strongholds and the powers of darkness in this world, withstanding every fiery dart of the enemy in this titanic struggle between good and evil. Spirit of Fire, sweep across this Great Southland of the Holy Spirit, burn out the dross and save us all for Your coming Kingdom. Maranatha, come quickly, Lord Jesus. We pray all this in His mighty name, to the glory of God. AMEN.

R.A: Led by our Lord Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit to glorify the Fatherhood of God with the Brotherhood of Man; in love and in faithfulness to bring glory and honour to His holy name.

REJOICE IN COVENANT PRAYERS FULLY IN THE HOLY SPIRIT DAILY FOR AUSTRALIA'S REVIVAL.