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“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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CHANGING GODS

Thirty or forty years ago who could have envisaged the steady but inexorable changes in values we are now seeing in this once fair land of Australia. Consider how we have slipped from the high moral ground we once held when we were marked by a co-operative spirit, prosperity and a morality based on our Christian heritage. Today we have become disillusioned. Hope has waned and died as corruption in high places, shattered marriages, a lost generation of undisciplined young people, drug and alcohol abuse and rampant crime, that is steadily gaining control in our cities which are unsafe for many ordinary citizens, are now an integral part of life. “But this is the 21st century,” it is argued. “We have thrown off the old traditional restrictions and are marching on to a new day.” With this new attitude we are living by a different code of behaviour in a desperate desire to do our own thing and so have plunged into the unknown completely ignorant of the consequences. Nevertheless, you cannot toss out the old, true and tested standards and expect to prosper. The fact is that as a civilised society we are lost, caused by our rejection of absolute truth and universal morality. To put it bluntly, we have rejected the God of the Bible whose formula for successful living we once followed. Yet as nature abhors a vacuum, even in the spiritual sphere, we have filled it with the worship of the false god of humanism, the belief that man is god and he alone has the answers to life. In other words, we have changed gods.

A People of Tolerance

With such a momentous shift in our spiritual allegiance to carnality there has to be profound changes in our outlook on life. And there are! First and foremost, we are now, along with other Western nations, a people of *tolerance*. As a vital facet of humanism, tolerance has become our number one criterion for human interaction in this age when truth has been jettisoned and political correctness dictates that we must not offend anyone, especially in regard to gender, ethnic and class issues. That is, we are now compelled to be tolerant of all things feminist, multicultural and egalitarian. This means we must be pro-choice in the matter of abortion; pro-affirmative in favour of employment for women; pro-homosexual regarding sexual preference; and pro-socialist-cum-atheist in matters of social and religious expression. Obviously this means that we are being compelled to discard the notion of absolute truth and with it, of course, the laws of logic and common sense. We are replacing firm, solid Christian conviction with a sentimental concept of tolerance in a world that is increasingly being deceived. In fact, we are killing our long cherished culture that made us the great nation we once were and are guilty of substituting it with a culture of coercion, irrationality and nihilism. Woe unto us!

History Re-written

In falling over backwards not to offend the several politically protected species and demonstrate our *tolerance* towards them, our history has been re-written to impose a guilt complex on us for our Anglo-Saxon heritage that has supposedly destroyed the indigenous people and replaced their “idyllic” way of life with degradation and hopelessness. Yet we dare not admit that despite the billions of dollars given by Canberra and more given by state governments to improve their way of life, the majority still live in poverty and squalor. Their basic need, however, is spiritual and this needs to be addressed. As for sexual preference, we are being forced to tolerate all kinds of deviant behaviour that once were unconditionally denounced when Biblical standards prevailed. To speak out against them now is to evoke outraged cries of homophobic, bigoted and intolerant--- despite the fact that the Scriptures condemn the perverted practice as an abomination in the sight of God.

Women Ruling Over Men

Another feature of our new religion is the emergence of women in high places as governments parachute women into top jobs. This trend is especially noticeable where we now have women in such positions as governor-general, state governors, CEOs in education, superannuation, police, water board, fire department, a leading scientific organisation, energy utilities and so on, who have leapfrogged over more experienced, better qualified men to satisfy the pressures applied by equal opportunity lobbyists. Not to mention the flood of women now gracing the parliaments of the land, who play no small part in making the laws setting the standards of society. So, what is wrong with that? This: it means that by their presence and influence on their colleagues we are being steadily but surely led to think with our hearts and not our heads. In other words, feelings are overriding principle, truth and justice. Consequently, we now live in "a nanny state". The situation in Australia today is much as it was in ancient Israel when the prophet Isaiah was inspired to say, "As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people! Those who lead you cause you to err, and destroy the way of your paths." We may think it only fair that as women comprise half the population they should take an equal place alongside men in ruling over us. But that is not God's way! He makes it clear in His Word "that the head of woman is man"; also that "Adam was formed first, then Eve. Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into sin". Moreover, children are indeed our oppressors thanks to the UN Covenant on the Rights of the Child allowing them far too much freedom to do as they like, the banishing of corporal punishment and the fear of parents to impose effective discipline on them.

Awesome Plight

The longer we follow the false god of humanism the more awesome the plight that confronts us. We face only decline and tragedy as we continue to ignore the words of Scripture, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord". If we are to find blessing instead of cursing it is imperative that we again obey His laws. Since turning away from Christian standards in the courts and in the community at large the rate of violent crimes has escalated. Ignoring the lessons of the past, the judiciary has turned its back on the Ten Commandments which for centuries was the basis of English Law that became our heritage. Consequently, so often now cases are not determined by the guilt or otherwise of the defendant but by his upbringing and social environment. Thus nominal sentences and generous parole terms undermine justice. Crime is not deterred and criminals become bolder. This misplaced compassion is really weakness and the community bears the cost of such folly.

The Slippery Slope

In turning away from God and His righteous standards spelled out clearly in the Scriptures, we tread a perilous path. The Holy Bible is the Manufacturer's Manual, a divine handbook for successful living, and to ignore or reject its wisdom is sheer folly---for the consequences are eternal. We all love our country, don't we? Surely, then, we don't want to keep following our present course that is leading us further and further down the slippery slope of immorality, even lawlessness, to disaster. Do we? Bear in mind these words from wise King Solomon, who wrote, "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people". However, it is still not too late to change our ways. God is merciful, He will forgive if we truly repent and change our ways. He says so: "If at any time I announce that a nation is to be plucked up, pulled down and destroyed---if that nation against whom I have spoken turns from its evil, I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster that I planned to bring upon it." Politicians, judges, teachers, ordinary citizens, turn back to God, acknowledge the Lordship of Jesus Christ and save this beautiful country for now and for eternity. Our very future depends on it!

PRAYER

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth and all who dwell therein, as covenant children washed in the blood of Jesus, we come with joyful hearts to join the hosts of heaven to praise You in spirit and in truth. We beg Your forgiveness that, as a nation, we have forsaken You and pray that You will nullify our folly in "Changing Gods". Thank You for spiritual insight, vision and discernment to do great exploits in the fight against the powers of darkness in our midst in the name of Christ through whom we can do all things. Grant us, O God, that His divine nature be formed in us to enable us to conquer the strongholds of humanism, disbelief and other false gods. Abba, Father, we pray for all leaders, politicians, judges, teachers and ordinary citizens to deeply repent and have their minds renewed by Your blessed Holy Spirit. Lord Jesus, thank You that You are the **Light of the World** whose brilliance shines forth into this dark world as You prepare Your promised holy bride to be made holy and without spot or blemish. Dear Father, we pray that JESUS CHRIST, the Living Word, be enthroned as King of kings and Lord of lords in the hearts of countless millions in this Great South Land of the Holy Spirit, to the honour and glory of the Almighty 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.

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