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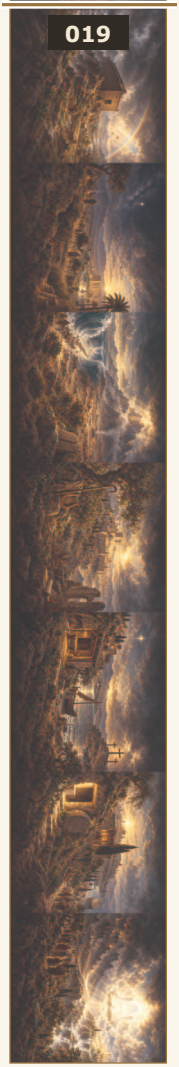
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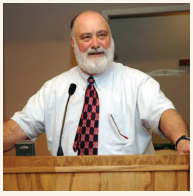
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CHAPTER 1

Biblical Law & Immigration - 1

Introduction: God's Word on Landmarks and Borders

Open your Bibles to Deuteronomy 27, verse 17. You have often heard me say that the Word of God has the answer to about every problem. And it does have the answer to every problem. I am going to bring two messages, one this week and one next week, entitled Biblical Law and Immigration. I want you to see what the Word of God has to say.

Deuteronomy 27:17 says, "Cursed be he that removeth his neighbor's landmark, and all the people shall say, Amen." Notice that: "Cursed be he that removeth his neighbor's landmark." God then places a curse on anyone who would remove a landmark.

The Word of God has a great deal to say about landmarks. For instance, you do not have to turn there, but Proverbs 22:28 tells us, "Remove not the ancient landmarks which thy fathers have set." Then again, in Proverbs 23:10, we are commanded, "Remove not the old landmark and enter not into the fields of the fatherless."

If you look in Deuteronomy 19, since you are close there, Deuteronomy 19:14 says, “Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark, which they of old time have set in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the Lord thy God giveth thee to possess it.” Note again: “Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark.” Why in the world are there so many Scriptures in the Bible concerning landmarks?

The answer is very simple: landmarks deal with borders. There are borders for individuals, borders for families, borders for states, and, of course, borders for nations. I want you to understand, and I believe you do, that no individual, no family, no state, or no nation is unlimited. That is why we have borders. A border is that which defines, confines, and limits as well.

God’s Sovereign Division of the Nations

Now, listen to me carefully: the reason you live where you do is because God sovereignly placed you there and gave you stewardship over the land that you possess. What is true of you individually is also true of nations. Look in your Bibles at Deuteronomy 4:19. God is speaking to Israel, and He is warning them about idolatry.

Deuteronomy 4 says, “Lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, even all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which the Lord thy God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.” So God has divided the heavens to the nations. What does that mean? For instance, the people in Australia can see parts of the heaven that you and I cannot see. We can see parts of the heaven in North America that they in Australia cannot see. Folks in Asia can see things that we cannot see, and vice versa. God has even divided the heavens to the nations.

Deuteronomy 32 gets even more specific because God not only divided the heavens; He also divided the earth. The Bible says, “When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance. When He separated the sons of Adam, He set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.” Note that the Bible specifically says that the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance. The Bible also says that He set their bounds. God has

sovereignly separated the nations and sovereignly set the bounds of the nation. He is the one who has drawn the borders or the landmarks, so to speak.

When God gave Israel her land, He bounded that land with four borders. Numbers 34 records the Lord speaking unto Moses: "Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land of Canaan, this is the land that shall fall unto you for an inheritance, even the land of Canaan, with the coasts thereof." The passage gives the southern border. If you read all the way down through verse 12, you will find that He gives them a northern border, an eastern border, and a western border. Thus, Scripture presents national boundaries as limits sovereignly established by God.

What has God done? God has brought Israel and has given them this land and says, "Here is your land." He has bounded that land by four points and says, "These are your borders." That means all the land inside belonged to Israel, and all the land outside belonged to other nations. A border is simply a line of demarcation.

Now listen to me. Borders and landmarks are not merely man-made, humanistic ideas. Borders and landmarks are theological in nature, and have reference to the fact that God is the sovereign owner of heaven and earth. God divides it to the nations, and God divides it to the people as He wills.

Let me ask a simple question. I am not asking this to be funny, because you could take it in a joking manner, but I am not asking it in a joking manner: Have you ever wondered why Asians live in Asia, Africans live in Africa, and Europeans live in Europe? You say, "Yes, because we call them that because they live there." No, no, no. That is not what I am talking about.

If you would read your Bibles, especially Genesis chapter 10, you will find that God divided the people and gave them their land. It is just that simple. That is why we call them Asia. They live in Asia because that is where God placed them and where He gave them their borders. Likewise with Africa, likewise with Europe, and likewise with the Americas.

The same truth is referred to in the New Testament. The Apostle Paul was teaching on God's absolute sovereignty as he was preaching

to these heathen on Mars Hill. He tells them in Acts 17 and verse 26 that "God hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth," and "hath determined the times before appointed and the bounds of their habitation." Who has determined the bounds of the habitations of the nations? God. It is just that simple. God has set the people where He would have them.

Israel Commanded to Respect Other Nations' Borders

God has given Israel a land, and He bounded that land with borders. Let me tell you something else that God did. When God brought the children of Israel out of Egypt, He taught them to respect the borders of other countries. For instance, in Deuteronomy chapter 2, the passage begins with verse 1 and continues through verse 5, and then proceeds to verses 8 and 9.

"Then we turned and took our journey into the wilderness, by the way of the Red Sea, as the Lord spake unto me, and we compassed Mount Seir many days. And the Lord spake unto me, saying, Ye have compassed this mountain long enough, turn ye northward. And command thou the people, saying, Ye are to pass through the coast of your brethren, the children of Esau, who dwell in Seir, and they shall be afraid of you. Take ye good heed unto yourselves, therefore, meddle not with them, for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as a foot-breadth, because I have given Mount Seir unto Esau for possession."

"Ye shall buy meat of them for money that ye may eat, and ye shall also buy water of them for money that ye may drink."

God said, "You are about to enter into the border of Edom, the land of Esau. Do not try to mess with them. I am not going to give you even a shoelatch's worth of their land. I have given that land to them. Since you are in their land and marching through it, buy their water, buy their food, honor, and respect. This is their land. I have given it to them. Period. You are not getting any of it."

Now, if you will skip down to verse eight: "And when we passed by from our brethren, the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plain from Elath, and from Ezion-geber, we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab. And the Lord said

unto me, Distress not the Moabites, neither contend with them in battle, for I will not give thee of their land for possession, because I have given Ar unto the children of Lot for possession."

Now note what God says: You respect the borders and property of these people. One of the problems we are experiencing today is that we have lost the sense and understanding of boundaries; hence, we have lost the understanding of private property. When I was a boy, you never entered anyone else's property without their knowledge and permission. My father was friends with all the farmers in our neighborhood, and they knew me. When I wanted to hunt on their land or fish in their ponds, I called and asked permission before I went.

Trespassing is not simply a crime; it is also a lack of respect for the owner and his rights. What we have been experiencing on a local level is also happening on a national level. Sneaking into a country without permission and then demanding money, rights, education, medical attention, and other benefits at the expense of that country's citizens is not only dishonest and dishonorable; it is outright theft.

Modern Disregard for Boundaries and Private Property

It is selfishness carried to the extreme. If selfishness were the only thing involved, that would be one thing. But many people who sneak into this country have other plans, motives, and purposes. They are not coming merely for an education or a job; they are coming to destroy this country. Jay Leno once said, "People are saying that Mexicans are coming into this country for American jobs." He said, "That's not true. If they wanted American jobs, they'd go to India." He was just about dead on.

There are many who come into this country advocating its open and vehement destruction. Groups such as Reconquista, Aztlan, and others teach the violent takeover of land that we either bought or conquered from Mexico. In many southwestern states, Mexicans now constitute a majority, and some are talking about a Hispanic homeland, or the nation of Aztlan. Organizations such as the Mexican-American Legal Defense and La Raza—the Race—are talking about annexing entire states that belong to America and

making them the Republica El Norte, the Republic of the North. That republic would include part or all of California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and southern Colorado. Isn't that amazing?

Threats from Within: Reconquista and Aztlan Movements

There is a professor named Charles T-U-R-X-I-L-L-O. I pronounce it Truello, though I am not sure how to pronounce his last name. He is a professor at the University of New Mexico, and he said that the Hispanic homeland should be brought into being by any means necessary. What he meant, of course, was that if it could not be taken legally and peacefully, it would be taken violently and by war.

There are plenty of organizations right here in America seeking to destroy and dismember our country. Whether they try to do it peacefully or violently, legally or illegally, they are still trying to destroy our country.

Political Betrayal: Senators Against English as Official Language

Our problem is exacerbated when we realize that it is not simply outsiders, but also insiders, who are part of the problem. For instance, I have a list of thirty-eight United States senators who recently voted against making English the official language of America. If Senators Biden, Boxer, Feingold, Feinstein, Kerry, Lautenberg, Schumer, Harkin, and the other senators in that group do not want English to be the official language of America, what language do they want as the official language—Russian, Chinese, or Spanish? That makes us ask: For whom are they working? And for whom are they planning?

Very obviously, they cannot be planning and working for America. Something is wrong somewhere, and we had better figure it out. I am absolutely sick to death of political traitors who think their mission in life is to provide for every individual on the planet at the expense of American citizens. We are stolen from, taxed, lied to, and asked to give up our freedoms more and more, on a regular basis. Why? So that we may provide freedom for other people. It is not necessary to destroy our freedoms to give freedom to someone else.

Biblical Precedent for Refusing Certain Peoples

The truth of the matter is this: we simply need to get rid of every ungodly, unconstitutional civil servant, no matter who he is or what office he holds, and replace him with a godly constitutionalist who will put the Lord first and America second.

One thing is certain: you cannot take care of everyone else at your own expense. To do so is murder—self-murder. There is no way I could provide financially for every one of you. It would destroy me and my family. In the same way, there is no way in the world we can take care of 20 million illegals in this country. It will destroy the country.

As you study the Word of God, you find a great deal of Scripture dealing with strangers. The interesting thing is that some strangers are to be refused and rejected, while others are to be received upon certain conditions. Their treatment is a vital part of biblical law.

The messages I am going to preach are both negative and positive. Today will be mostly negative, because I am going to show you who is to be refused and rejected. Next week, Lord willing, I will show you who can be received and upon what conditions they may be received into this country.

Let me remind you of something: there is no inherent right simply to immigrate from one country to another. What if 20,000 Hungarians decided they wanted to come to America, landed on our shores, and said, “Here we are. Feed us, clothe us, medicate us, take care of us. We’re yours”? No. You cannot simply determine that a group of people will migrate over there. No inherent right exists to do that. Countries have an absolute right to protect their borders, and governments have an absolute right and duty to protect their citizens within those borders. Why? Because borders have been ordained by God.

How would you like to come home from a hard day's work, open the front door of your house, and find four men and three women inside whom you have never seen before? Your food has been eaten, your house has been rifled, your money has been taken, and your beds have been slept in. You look at them and say, "Who in the world are you, and what are you doing in my home? Get out." They answer,

"Wait a minute. You were not here to oppose us when we came in. Now that we've eaten your food, slept in your bed, collected some of your money, and enjoyed your home for a while, after all, we didn't really come in to hurt you. We came in to better ourselves. Now that we're here, you have to provide for us. You were not here to oppose us. Had you been here when we broke in, you probably could have shot us as home invaders. But now that we're here, we're simply uninvited house guests."

Calling an illegal alien an undocumented immigrant is like calling a burglar an uninvited house guest. No. They're criminals either way you cut it.

As you look through the Bible, you will find that there were some nations and people with whom God specifically forbade Israel to have anything to do. Look in your Bibles to Deuteronomy 25, beginning with verse 17. God says, "Remember what Amalek did unto thee, by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt."

Amalek was Esau's grandson. So we are talking about the Amalekites, a people, a nation. The passage continues: "Remember what Amalek did unto thee, by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt. How he met thee, by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, even all that was feeble behind thee, when thou wast faint and weary, and he feared not God."

God said, “You better remember what Amalek did to you. When I brought you out of Egypt, what did he do? He hid, he ambushed, and he attacked from the rear, and he attacked the weak and the feeble, and he feared not God.” The reason he did that was that he had no fear of God before him. He was a vicious, vile, cunning, violent people.

Then look what God says in verse 19: “Therefore it shall be, when the Lord thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it, that thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget it.” God said, “You better remember what Amalek did to you, and when you get settled in the land, you are to have war with him from generation to generation until you blot his name out. Wipe him out.”

Do you think, based upon Deuteronomy 25:17–19, that the Amalekites would be welcome to Israel? Of course not. God said, "You don't let them in the land. You fight with them. You destroy them. Because they're a wicked, vile people."

The Bible says in Deuteronomy 23:3, "An Ammonite"—these are the children of Lot, by incest, you remember—"or a Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of the Lord; even to the tenth generation shall they not enter into the congregation of the Lord forever." Why? "Because they met you not with bread and with water in the way, when ye came forth out of Egypt; and because they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor of Pethor of Mesopotamia, to curse thee. Nevertheless the Lord thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the Lord thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because the Lord thy God loved thee. Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity all thy days forever."

God says an Ammonite or a Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of the Lord even to the tenth generation. Some scholars interpret "unto the tenth generation" to mean forever. The reason they do so is because of verse 6: "Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity all thy days forever." Some have indicated that this is not necessarily a ban on the faith of the Ammonite Moabites, but it is a ban keeping them out of the land and especially out of positions of power and authority. Then God says again in verse 6, "Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity all thy days forever."

Why? God says, "Because they met you not with bread and water when ye came forth out of Egypt and because they hired Balaam against thee to curse thee." In other words, these were people hostile to Israel. They were uncompassionate, uncaring, and unconcerned. What they wanted was Israel wiped out. That is why they hired Balaam to curse Israel. They were hostile. They were violent. Therefore, God says, "Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity all thy days forever."

What does that mean? Israel could not enter into covenants or contracts with them, or help them prosper in any way. They could not take these people and receive them with open arms into their

hearts, their homes, their country, their community, or their congregation. No. God said they could not seek their peace forever.

Solomon's Sin: Welcoming Forbidden Peoples Led to Destruction

That does not mean that, simply because people are forbidden entrance into a land, you have to be unkind and uncivil to them as individuals. The Word of God says in Exodus 22 and verse 21, "Thou shalt neither vex a stranger nor oppress him, for ye were strangers in Egypt." God says we cannot necessarily oppress them merely because they are outsiders, so to speak. Just because they are forbidden into the country does not mean that you can be unkind or uncivil to them as individuals if you meet them in their country or anywhere else.

In 1 Kings 11, the Bible says, "But King Solomon loved many strange women together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians, and Hittites." Verse 2 explains: "Of the nations concerning which the Lord said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: for surely they will turn away your heart after their gods. Solomon clave unto these in love."

Now consider the law Solomon broke. In Exodus 34:11, God says, "Observe thou that which I command thee this day. Behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee. But thou shalt destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves. For thou shalt worship no other god: for the Lord, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God: lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice; and thou take of their daughters unto thy sons; and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods."

God said, "I'm going to drive these people out." And He drove a lot of them out. What was Israel to do to those who remained in the

land? They were to kill them. God said, at any point, you are not to make a covenant with them. Period.

Deuteronomy 7 repeats this truth: "When the Lord thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou; and when the Lord thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor show mercy unto them: neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son. For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the Lord be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly."

“But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire. Why? For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God.” Once again, God said, “You're not to intermarry and you're not to have these people in the country. That's it. I'm driving them out. The ones that remain, you kill them.”

Israel failed to do that and made slaves of some of them. Solomon then married all of these women whom God had forbidden him to marry. If you read 1 Kings 11, you find that he built altars to their false gods. God was angry with him and took the kingdom away from his son Rehoboam because of Solomon's sin. The kingdom was divided: ten tribes went to Jeroboam, and two tribes stayed with Rehoboam. It was the judgment of God because of Solomon's sins.

The point is simply this: Solomon welcomed into his home and kingdom those whom God had forbidden. His home and kingdom were destroyed. Why would our leaders, our civil rulers, or any civil ruler in any country allow inside their borders people whom they know are violent and wicked and intent on overthrowing the country? You can only come up with two answers. Either, number one, they are following a plan-determined scheme of destruction for this country.

The Islamic Threat and Illegal Immigration Statistics

They are either frightfully ignorant and stupid. If they are following a plan of planned destruction for this country, then they are traitors and ought not to be in office. If they are frightfully ignorant and stupid, they should not be in office either. Something is wrong in this country.

Consider an illustration. President George W. Bush tried to picture Islam as a peaceful religion. He said it was a peaceful religion hijacked by terrorists. Islam is not a peaceful religion. It never has been. It has always used the sword as a means of conquest—always.

Recently, the Islamic community in London, England, was in a parade and demonstration. You could see a few babies from time to time doing nothing, but thousands of Muslims were carrying placards and banners. What was written on them was not shown on your local news. Among the messages were:

"Europe, you will pay. Your 9-1-1 is on the way." "Massacre those who insult Islam." "Behead those who insult Islam." "Freedom, go to hell." "Europe is the cancer. Islam is the answer." "Exterminate those who insult Islam." "Islam will dominate the world."

Now, let me ask you, does that sound very peaceful to you? Could you relax at home listening to this and reading this? Let me tell you, Islam is a violent religion. It always has been. It always will be. Anyone who speaks against it is always threatened with death.

Thousands of illegal Arabs have slipped into this country through Mexico, as well as a host of other illegal immigrants. Immigrationcounters.com is the number one site for real-time immigration statistics. I downloaded this information last Wednesday evening, September the 6th, 2006. This was accurate last Wednesday; it would be increased by this Sunday.

The number of illegal immigrants in this country: $20,460,598. Illegal immigrants enrolled in public schools: $3,767,912. Cost of illegal immigrants in public schools: $14,560,778,862. Illegal immigrants incarcerated in this country: $316,967. Cost for their incarceration: $1,452,734,788. The number of illegal immigrant fugitives in this country: 625,446. Cost of social services for all illegal

immigrants: $397,471,589,729. Money wired to Mexico alone: $23,759,036,641. I want to grab your attention. There is another article that I read that was originally published in the Los Angeles Times.

I went back and got the article. There was more involved, but I did not have time to write it all down. It gave statistics mainly for the southwestern states. J.B. Campbell wrote the article, originally published in the Los Angeles Times. Here are their statistics:

Of all the outstanding warrants for murder in Los Angeles, 95 percent are for illegal aliens. Seventy-five percent of people on Los Angeles's most wanted list are illegal aliens. More than 66 percent of births in Los Angeles County are to illegal alien Mexicans on Medi-Cal, with those births paid for by taxpayers.

Nearly 25 percent of inmates in California detention centers are Mexican nationals here illegally. More than 300,000 illegal aliens in Los Angeles County are living in garages. The FBI reports that half of all gang members in Los Angeles are most likely illegal aliens from south of the border. One of the most dangerous gangs now is MS-13, which is totally Mexican. Nearly 60 percent of occupants of HUD properties are illegal aliens.

Twenty-one radio stations in Los Angeles are Spanish-speaking. Los Angeles County has 5.1 million people who speak English and 3.9 million who speak Spanish, with a Duke mixture of others, because there are over 10.2 million people in the county. Twenty-nine percent of inmates in federal prisons reportedly are illegal aliens. And listen to this.

This is what J.B. Campbell wrote: “One thing more. You do remember that immigration fuss in Congress some weeks back, don't you? The House had one version that called for the borders to be controlled and contain no guest worker program. The Senate had a bill calling for amnesty and only a token attempt to control the borders. Nothing got done. The Senate bill was written by Harry Reid and Ted Kennedy.

The Sixth Commandment and the Right to National Self-Defense

“That ought to tell you something. It contained a provision for about 370 miles of fencing along the Mexican-U.S. border. But here's what you probably didn't know. That fence can only be built after consulting with Mexico as to its location. Mexico gets to decide where we put our border fences.”

Can you imagine the stupidity? I'm saying we're going to build a fence, but we'll let Mexico determine where we're going to build it. Folks, I'm going to tell you, we either have traitors or the biggest, most ignorant people in Congress that you can ever imagine.

You say, “Brother Weaver, are you against all Mexicans?” Of course not, but I am against all of those illegals who come into this country and demand that we pay for their lifestyle and their support, and who come into this country to destroy this country and disrupt this country, just like I'd be against any illegal Russian, or any illegal Hungarian, or any illegal Czechoslovakian, or any illegal Arab who came to do the same thing. You don't have to be against a people or nationality to not want someone in your country who's going to destroy it. That's not racism, folks. That's common sense. You cannot help everyone.

Now, let me tie this together. I showed you where God gave borders. God has placed us where we are. We have an absolute right under God to defend our borders and our country. Two border agents, two Border Patrol agents, are now facing twenty years in prison because they shot a dope smuggler. The dope smuggler was granted immunity to testify against them because they were doing their job.

Is something rotten in Denmark? Come on. The Bible teaches in the Sixth Commandment, “Thou shalt not kill.”

Before I give you that, let me show you this, concerning opposition to illegal immigrants. Here is an article from World Net Daily, dated August 29, 2006: “Mexican flag flies at Maywood, California.” Backers of illegal immigration at a rally near Los Angeles took down an American flag at a United States post office, stamped on it, and replaced it with a Mexican flag as police looked on,

according to witnesses and a video of the event. Police officers in Maywood, California, Saturday eventually came to the polls to remove the flag, but had bottles and rocks thrown at them. A radio listener named Sandra reported this to the Terry Anderson Show, heard on KRLA in Los Angeles. A video can be seen here, etc.

A radio listener volunteering for Save Our State said that when she arrived at the rally, counter-protesters rushed her, calling out, "Death to the Minutemen." They pushed her around and told her, "If I was to take one step further, they would beat the blank out of me." She looked behind her and saw about four police officers leaning on their vehicles, watching and doing nothing. Eventually, a police officer came and escorted her group.

In fact, the Mexican flag stayed up for a long time. "Death to the Minutemen"—in other words, death to anybody who wanted to patrol the borders.

Now, what am I trying to tell you? The Sixth Commandment gives us an absolute right to defend our borders and our countries. What does the Sixth Commandment say? "Thou shalt not kill." Every negative has a positive, and every positive has a negative. What is the positive of the Sixth Commandment? "Thou shalt preserve life." Therefore, I have an obligation and a duty to preserve my life, the life of my family, and the lives of my neighbors. I certainly have the right to preserve the life of my country. If we cannot limit or control immigration, if we have no say as to who is allowed into this country and who is not, then obviously we cannot preserve the life of this country.

If we as a country were attacked by an invading army intent on destroying us and subjugating us, what would we do? We would fight. We would resist. We would defend ourselves. What differs between resisting an invading army that has been on subjugating us and an immense swarm of aliens that will do the same by destroying our culture, our economy, and our religion?

The sixth commandment teaches self-defense. We have an absolute right under God to defend our homes, our lives, our families, and our country. It will come down to this: We will either fight or be destroyed.

Applications: Hold Rulers Accountable and Apply Pressure

I make two applications. Listen carefully. The first is this: We must learn to hold our civil rulers responsible for this illegal alien debacle. Why? Romans 13, verses 3 and 4. What is government designed to do? To protect the righteous and to punish the wicked. It is the duty of the civil magistrate to protect us and to punish the wicked. First and foremost, it is the government's responsibility to secure our borders and protect us from those who would harm or destroy this country.

Secondly, we must remember that it is our civil government that issues visas, passports, and immigration papers. It is our government that legally allows people into this country who should not be here. No ordinary citizen can do that. I have never issued a passport or even a visa to anyone. I am not saying—and I understand those supposed Arabs in 9-1-1—but if they were in this country, let me ask you a question: If they did do it, who gave them their visas and passports? Not I. It was the government.

The second thing we must learn is this: We, the people, must pressure our civil authorities to do what is right about this problem. You remember old Senator Everett Dirksen? He is now dead, thankfully. I did not agree with much that he said, but I did agree with one thing. Speaking of his constituency, he said, “When I begin to feel the heat, it’s when I see the light.” No politician will ever see the light until we, the people, put the heat on them.

We are reaching a stage in this country where, if something is not done shortly, there are going to be more problems than we can shake a stick at. I am talking about uprisings, revolutions, and absolute civil war, because they have already said they are going to take back the Southwest one way or the other.

God says to Israel that there are certain people you do not want in your country, and you had better not seek their peace or their prosperity forever. There are certain people we do not want in this country, and we have the absolute right to refuse them. Our government's first duty is to protect we, the people. That means

securing our borders and making sure those we do not want in stay out. The right is based upon biblical law.

Conclusion and Prayer

Let us pray. Father, we ask in the name of Jesus Christ that You would speak to our hearts, that You would help us and teach us. Lord, the Word of God does indeed have the answer. Help us, Lord, to be prepared next week to see the positive side of this and the conditions in the Bible based upon which people are to be allowed into a country. May Your Word have free course in our lives. May we have understanding, and may we be obedient. In the name of Jesus Christ we ask and pray. Amen.

CHAPTER 2

Biblical Law & Immigration - 2

Review of Part 1: The Right to Control Borders

Open our Bibles once again today to Deuteronomy 27. Deuteronomy 27, and we're going to be reading verse 17 again. And this is the second part of biblical law and immigration. I'll take just a few moments and review what I covered last week. Notice Deuteronomy chapter 27 and verse 17. We read this verse last week. "Cursed be he that removeth his neighbor's landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen." Note God places a curse upon those who would remove his neighbor's landmark. And as you look through the Bible, there are a multitude of other scriptures, like Proverbs 22 and verse 28, where God says, "Remove not the ancient landmarks which thy fathers have set." And then in Proverbs 23 and verse 10, once again, God says, "Remove not the old landmark, enter into the fields of the fatherless." And then in Deuteronomy 19 and verse 14, again, he says, "Thou shalt not remove thy neighbor's landmark." And I pointed out how landmarks dealt with borders. And I went through the scripture and I showed you where God not only sovereignly

placed us where we are today, but God also has sovereignly placed nations where they are today.

Because the Bible teaches that God has separated the nations and he has given them their particular borders. And when God brought Israel into the land, he described their borders with four points. And then before he brought them into the land, he taught them to respect the borders of others. He told them that they were not to covet Mount Seir because he had given that to Esau and it was going to be his. And they were not going to get one foot of it. And the same thing with the land of Moab. And so God taught them also then to respect the borders of others.

Then the whole crux of the message last week was simply this. The right to control one's borders is basically the right of self-defense. And of course, we looked at numerous verses last week where God forbade the children of Israel to allow certain people within their land. In fact, God said concerning some of them, "Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity forever." And then, of course, we saw how Solomon then violated that commandment and brought the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Hittites and all these other "ites" into the land and married them and then provided altars for all these foreign people and thus it brought not only chaos and confusion, but destruction as well.

Interestingly enough, you will find that most of the time, it is the civil rulers who are violating this principle. It is our civil rulers in this country who issue the passports, visas, immigration papers, and all like that. Based upon the Word of God, God has given government the responsibility and duty not only to punish the wicked but to protect the righteous. Therefore, part of its responsibility is to protect and guard the borders. To argue that our government has no right to refuse certain people or control immigration would be tantamount to saying that countries have no right of self-defense.

If we cannot resist an invading horde of aliens, by what sense could we properly resist an invading army? It does not matter if they are invading aliens or an invading army; the result of both will be destruction and subjugation. Nations do indeed have the absolute right to protect and control their borders.

Introduction: Some Are to Be Received

Last week, the emphasis was all on the negative. I showed you how certain people were not to be allowed into the land: God forbade them to come. Likewise, we have the absolute right to forbid people to come to America. Immigration is not a right. Just because you are born in one country does not mean that you have the right to immigrate to another country, and you cannot simply come over here en masse. When you stop and think of a lot of the people we are allowing into this country, remember what Castro did with the boat people: he sent in mostly criminals, mob bosses, and the refuse and dregs of society, people no one wanted anyhow. We have them now in this country as well.

The Bible teaches that there are indeed some to be rejected, but it also teaches that there are some to be received. Today I am going to point out the Scriptures that deal with those who are to be received.

America as a Covenant Nation

Remember that in the Old Testament and in the New Testament Israel was a covenant nation. I also want to point out that here in America we too are a covenant nation. The truth of the fact remains that even our Constitution is a covenant. It is a compact between we the people and the states and the federal government. Many of you remember the Mayflower Compact or the Mayflower Covenant.

Our Founding Fathers were predominantly Christian men who appealed to the Sovereign God of Heaven and Earth over and over. I know not every individual was a Christian; that is why I said predominantly. But if you will study the Founding Fathers, you will find that the Bible is the book they quoted most frequently. The book most frequently quoted by our Founding Fathers in the Bible is the book of Deuteronomy, which is the book of the covenant, or the book of the law.

Let us consider a number of passages and put them together. We will begin with references to biblical law in relationship to strangers, and who these strangers are will be explained shortly. Notice Exodus chapter 22, beginning with verse 21, and continuing through verse 24. God says: “Thou shalt neither vex a stranger nor oppress him, for

you are strangers in the land of Egypt. You shall not afflict any widow or fatherless child. If thou afflict them, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry."

Old Testament Commands to Protect the Stranger

"And my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless." Here God connects the stranger with the fatherless and with the widow. God says they are not to be oppressed or vexed. If they are treated oppressively, wickedly, or unjustly in any way whatsoever, His wrath will be hot against them, and He will kill them.

Exodus 23:9 says, "Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger, for you know the heart of a stranger, seeing you were strangers in the land of Egypt." God says, once again, that they must remember their own background. They had been strangers in the land of Egypt, and they were not to oppress a stranger.

Deuteronomy 24:14 says, "Thou shalt not oppress a hired servant that is poor and needy, whether he be of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that are in thy land within thy gates. At his day thou shalt give him his hire, neither shalt the sun go down upon it, for he is poor, and setteth his heart upon it, lest he cry against thee unto the Lord, and it be sin unto thee." Note verse 14 very carefully: "Thou shalt not oppress a hired servant that is poor and needy." He could be an Israelite, "whether he be of thy brethren or of thy strangers that are in thy land within thy gates," indicating that other people were living in the land who were not necessarily Israelites.

Some of these strangers could possibly have been Israelites from foreign countries. That may be true as well, but the point is that the stranger here is not a home-born, home-bred individual. These laws, then, presuppose that there were people living in the land who were not home-born and home-bred. They were strangers living within the land and its gates.

Deuteronomy 27:19 says, "Cursed be he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow, and all the people shall say, Amen." Here God places a curse upon anyone who perverts

the judgment, or the justice, that would be given to a stranger, the fatherless, and the widow.

Leviticus 19, verses 33 and 34, says, "And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, you shall not vex him. But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself. For you were strangers in the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God."

Note this very closely: "If a stranger sojourn with thee in your land," here is someone living in the land. Then verse 34 says, "But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you." He was not born among them, yet, "thou shalt love him as thyself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God." God is saying, once again, that we are not to vex these strangers, whoever they are, who live among us.

Solomon's Prayer for the God-Fearing Stranger

In 1 Kings chapter 8, Solomon, King Solomon, is dedicating the temple to the Lord. This is in his prayer. After he prayed, the power and the spirit and the glory of God came down upon the temple in such a way that the Levites and the priests had to leave; they could not even stay. Notice what he prays in 1 Kings 8, verses 41 through 43. He says, "Moreover concerning a stranger that is not of thy people Israel."

That could not get any clearer. Here is someone who was not born in the land. He is not home born; he is not home bred. "Moreover concerning a stranger that is not of thy people Israel, but cometh out of a far country for thy name's sake." Why does the stranger come into the land? Verse 42: "For they shall hear of thy great name, and of thy strong arm, and of thy outstretched arm, when he shall come and pray toward this house. Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for, that all people of the earth may know thy name, to fear thee, as do thy people Israel, and that they may know that this house which I have built is called by thy name."

Notice what Solomon prays. He prays for those who are going to come from a far country, who have heard of the name of God and

have come into the country because of God—His person, His power, His position, His grace, and His mercy. He prays that when this stranger comes and addresses God properly, through the right way, God would hear his prayer and answer it. Here he is praying for these strangers.

Then, in Isaiah 56, the stranger is included with the eunuchs. A eunuch is someone who cannot produce children, and some have been made eunuchs by men, the Bible says. Notice the promise God makes to the stranger and the eunuch who faithfully obey Him. Isaiah 56, beginning with verse 3, says:

The Stranger Who Joins the Covenant

"Neither let the son of a stranger that hath joined himself to the Lord speak, saying, The Lord has utterly separated me from his people." The Lord does not say that. "Neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I'm a dry tree. For thus saith the Lord unto the eunuchs that keep my Sabbaths, and choose the things that please me and take hold of my covenant. Even unto them will I give in my house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and daughters. I will give them an everlasting name that shall not be cut off.

"Also, the sons of the stranger that join themselves to the Lord to serve Him and to love the name of the Lord, to be His servants, everyone that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant, even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar, for mine house shall be called a house of prayer for all people."

Now, note what God is doing. God is saying, here are some strangers who have come into the land. They were not home-born. They were not home-bred. But these strangers are individuals who have taken hold of God's name. They've taken hold of God's covenant. They are obedient and submissive to Him.

Foreigners of other nations were able to immigrate to Israel and become citizens, as you and I would call it, as long as they were willing to forsake their paganism, their culture, and their loyalties. They had to come and embrace the one true and the living God. So,

plainly stated then, those who were willing to embrace the culture, the covenant, and the community of God were welcome in the land. Those who would assimilate themselves were welcome. Those who would not assimilate were unwelcome. Are you listening? God's people were not to be a pluralistic, multicultural, multi-religious, tolerant community. They were to be unique and separate. Period.

One Law for Native and Stranger

Now, here's what God is saying. If you're willing to repent of your sins, renounce your past, embrace the truth of God, and live in covenant with me, you're welcome in the land. If not, you're not welcome. Look in your Bibles to the book of Numbers, chapter 15, and let's begin with verse 14. Listen carefully before we look at the Scripture. Numbers 15, verse 14: "And if a stranger sojourn with you."

"Or whosoever be among you in your generations and will offer an offering made by fire of a sweet savor unto the Lord as you do. So shall he do. One ordinance shall be both for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance forever in your generations. As you are, so shall the stranger be before the Lord. One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you."

The stranger who came into the land was under one law: one law for you and one law for him. That is the law of God. In other words, if you were willing to abide by His ordinances and obey His commandments, you were welcome in the land. If you were not willing to obey His ordinances and commandments, you needed to look for another place to live.

That principle was equally true in America. In the founding of America—and I will probably give quotes and examples in the next several messages—every colony and every state required you to profess faith in Jesus Christ and belief in the inspiration of the Old Testament and the New Testament before you could be a ruler or hold any position of authority. America, in its beginning, required Christian rulers. Why? Because America was a Christian nation. When people originally came into this country, they understood that it was a Christian nation.

Daniel Webster spoke concerning the Constitution of Massachusetts. There had been some debate about whether Christianity should be mentioned in the Constitution. Webster said, “I am clearly of the opinion that we should not strike out of the Constitution all recognition of the Christian religion. I am desirous, in so solemn a transaction as the establishment of a Constitution, that we should keep in it an expression of our respect and attachment to Christianity.”

He continued, “Not indeed to any of its peculiar forms, but to its general principles.” He was not saying that the Constitution had to be a Baptistic doctrine, a Presbyterian instrument, or a Methodist instrument. Rather, he said, it must express not only respect for Christianity, but attachment to it. This was in Massachusetts. Did you realize that, in the 1892 Supreme Court case of the Church of the Holy Trinity versus the United States, the Supreme Court quoted eighty-seven precedents?

That means there had been already 87 rulings prior to this ruling, and they included those in this ruling. And here's what the Supreme Court ruled in 1892, and I'm quoting it. The Supreme Court says, "Our laws and our institutions must necessarily be based upon and embody the teachings of the Redeemer of mankind. It is impossible that it should be otherwise, and in this sense, and to this extent, our civilization and our institutions are emphatically Christian." Now, that was the Supreme Court in 1892. What did they say? They said, that our institutions and our laws are based upon the Redeemer of mankind. That is, they're based upon Jesus Christ. And because of that, the Supreme Court said in 1892, our civilization and our institutions are emphatically Christian.

Now, our founding fathers understood that you did not have to have a national church like the Church of England. They didn't have to establish the Baptist Church or Presbyterian Church. They weren't trying to do that. But what they were trying to do, and what they did do, is establish Christianity as the religion of America. You see, the problem is we have left our monoculture and biblical Christianity, and we now have embraced pluralism, multiculturalism, and political correctness.

We have now become a secularistic society. It is absolutely impossible to preserve history, culture, or faith in a multicultural, multi-religious, pluralistic, politically correct society. Why? Because when you have a multicultural, pluralistic, multi-religious society, what it does is this. It places all religions on a plane one equal to the other. Therefore, all religions may be equally valued, or equally despised, or equally destroyed. So what pluralism says is this.

Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, and Buddhism are not all the same. Haven't you heard some of these people say there are many roads to heaven, that people are taking different roads but will all end up there? That is hogwash, folks. Christianity is not on a plane with any other religion. Christianity is not even a religion. Christianity is Christ. Yet we do not even realize what has happened.

We have left our Christian foundations and turned into a secularistic society. Secularism in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries has made these two centuries the most violent in history. Everybody can think back and look at the Crusades and look at all those people who were killed needlessly. Let me tell you something. The people killed in the Crusades cannot even be a drop in the bucket compared to those killed in the last two centuries in the wars we have had in this country because of secularism—and abortion. That is part of it. That is a fact.

Let me show you. Let us try to flesh this out so you can understand what I am trying to say. Let me give you an illustration first. You know the Pope is in big trouble. He is in big trouble because he gave a quote about Islam in a speech over in Europe. Here all the Muslims are in an uproar and demanding an apology because the Pope quoted a fourteenth-century document that said Islam was a terrible, bloody religion, one that had always conquered by the sword.

They were upset. I was listening to the news this morning, and here is what the reporter said. I am giving you his words verbatim: “Intellectually, what the Pope said was right when he quoted the piece of literature. But politically today, you cannot say those things.” Why can you not say those things? Because we are now claiming to be a pluralistic society where all religions are equal.

You do not defend one religion. You know what our Lord said? Our Lord said there must needs be offense. The Bible teaches that there is indeed an offense to the gospel. Let us consider a little story, a little scenario, and see how tolerant and politically correct you are, and how far you have gone down the road of pluralism, multiculturalism, and multireligiousism.

You get up one morning, put on your house tote, and quickly run outside to get your newspaper. You come back in, sit down, and read it while drinking a cup of coffee. It is a day just like any other day. But when you go outside, you look over, and your next-door pagan neighbor has built an altar on his front lawn. He has his little girl in his arms, with a knife in his hands, about to rip her heart open and offer her as a sacrifice to his god.

My question is this. Will you rescue your neighbor's child? Would you go over and forcefully impose your religious values upon him, knocking him in the head if necessary to save his daughter's life? Or will you pick up your paper, turn around, go back inside, and say, “Well, everybody has the right to worship the way they want to worship”?

Think about that. There are mothers in India who throw their babies to the crocodiles in honor of the God of the river. Do you understand that there cannot be, in reality, any such thing as pluralism? Somebody is right and somebody is wrong. It is just that simple.

Here is what has happened in America. We are told over and over by the politically correct crowd that it is not right for you to try to impose your Christian values upon someone else. They mean it—to the extent that if you go to an abortionist's home or clinic and gather together as Christians, doing nothing but pray, the next thing you know, you are going to have a SWAT team down on you, and you are going to be arrested and

In this pluralistic, politically correct society, abortionists have the right to kill babies, and mothers have the right to kill their babies. In a politically correct, pluralistic society, the Christian who holds Christian values is the enemy.

A Christian understands this and takes God's law and God's Word seriously. Look at what God said in Leviticus 20:1–2: “And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, Again thou shalt say to the children of Israel, Whosoever he be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth any of his seed unto Molech, he shall surely be put to death. The people of the land shall stone him with stones.”

How can the stranger and the child of Israel equally be put to death if they offer their child to Moloch? Because there was one law in the land, and that one law was God's law; everyone was to be in subjection to it. A child of God takes this very seriously. In our day and time, in a politically correct, pluralistic, multicultural, multi-religious society, Christians are the enemy.

In fact, even Rosie O'Donnell said so. She said fundamental Christians were as bad as fanatical Muslims. I do not know how anybody heard her, or who had the guts and grit to listen to her foul mouth and wickedness, but somebody heard it and reported it. It was on the news, on World Net Daily and the Drudge Report.

I want you to understand something. When God is talking about the stranger who is sojourning in Israel, He is not talking about a godless alien who has brought his culture and his paganism into the land of Israel, set up and practiced his religion before his false gods. That is not what God is talking about at all.

In Leviticus 19, verses 33 and 34, God says, “And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, you shall not vex him. But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself. For you were strangers in the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God.” Now God is talking about a stranger that is dwelling among them, and God says they are to love him as themselves. He is not talking about a godless pagan who is running around sacrificing his children to false gods. What kind of stranger, then, is He talking about? Let me show you some other passages. Look in Leviticus chapter 16 and verse 29. There God identifies the strangers He is talking about.

In fact, we have already had a hint of this when Solomon prayed for strangers who came from a far country, who had heard of the name of God and came over to embrace His covenant.

In Leviticus 16:29, God says, "And this shall be a statute forever unto you, that in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, you shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, whether he be of one of your own country, or a stranger that sojourneth among you." The stranger who sojourns among them must be circumcised and must fast on the Day of Atonement, just like the children of Israel.

Then look in Leviticus 17 at verses 8 and 9. This stranger also obeys the laws of sacrifice: "And thou shalt say to them, Whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers who sojourn among you that offer the burnt sacrifice, burn offering your sacrifice, and bringeth it not to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation to offer it to the

“Lord, even that man shall be cut off from among his people.” So even the stranger had to come and bring his offering before the door of the tabernacle, just like the children of Israel. Look in Leviticus 22:18:

“Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and to all the children of Israel, and say unto them, whatsoever ye be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that will offer his oblation for all his vows, and for all his freewill offerings, which they will offer unto the Lord for a burnt offering.”

Note that the stranger is offering his sacrifices. He is also someone who has practiced the laws of chastity. Go back in your Bibles to Leviticus 18:26. Here it is again. God says to Israel, “You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments and shall not commit any of these abominations,” and He is talking about sodomy and everything else, incest, adultery, and fornication. “You shall therefore keep My statutes and My judgments and shall not commit any of these abominations, neither any of your own nation nor any stranger that sojourneth among you.”

So the strangers were to be morally pure as well. In Leviticus 24:16, the Bible says, “And he that blasphemeth the name of the Lord, he shall surely be put to death, and all the congregation shall

certainly stone him as well the stranger, as he that is born in the land, when he blasphemeth the name of the Lord, shall be put to death."

It does not matter if you are a stranger or one born in the land. Why? There is to be one law for the Israelite and one law for the stranger.

What, then, is God saying when He tells them not to vex and not to hate the stranger who dwells among them? Let us be honest. There are differences between us. I am not merely speaking of personal likes and dislikes. There are even differences among people in the same country. There are differences between the North and the South. Those of you from the North know that, and those of you from the South know that. There is a difference between East and West.

Assimilation, Not Pluralism

I remember the first time I landed in Boston, Massachusetts. I had to change planes. I flew up on Delta, then had to go to Eastern because I was going into Maine. A police officer stood there in what looked like the pants of a Royal Canadian Mountie, with the strap coming across his chest and a hat with a chin strap. He stood like a statue. I walked up and said, "Excuse me, sir, but could you direct me to Eastern Airlines?"

When he spoke, my mouth dropped open. I said, "Pardon?" He said it again. I looked at him and said, "Thank you, sir," then walked away. From that day to this, I have yet to understand one word the man said, although he was speaking English. He had such a horrible accent that I could not understand him.

There are accents I do not like because I cannot understand them, and many people do not like the Southern drawl. What God is saying is that you cannot hate, despise, or mistreat people merely because there are differences—because we were not born in the same place or do not have the same attitudes, habits, likes, and dislikes. He is not saying these strangers are pagans, godless aliens. These people have come in, embraced the covenant, and are obedient; they are simply different in some ways.

What God is saying is that someone who is different must not be oppressed and wronged simply because he is different. God told Israel, “You better remember, you were strangers in the land of Egypt. You were oppressed. You were wrong because you were different.” In other words, those who have embraced the faith, wherever we are, are to be treated honestly and justly.

Deuteronomy 10 shows how the judgment of God is against an individual, a family, a church, a state, or a nation that refuses to give justice. Any society that refuses to give justice is under the curse and judgment of God. “For the Lord your God is a God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, and mighty, and a terrible, who regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward. He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless, and the widow, and loveth the stranger, and giving him food and raiment. Love you therefore the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.”

God does not regard persons nor take reward, but executes judgment. So, God says, if you mistreat the stranger, if you mistreat the widow and the orphan, I will judge you.

That is true, whether you're an individual, a family, a church, a state, or a nation. God is saying if someone wants to come and embrace the faith and live holily and walk in his law and his statute, fine. They're to be welcomed. Let me give you a quote, and I will tell you in advance that a president of the United States said this. I'm not going to tell you which president, see if you can guess.

He almost had it 100% correct. Not quite, but almost. But listen to what the President of the United States said. And he's talking about immigration. "In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else. For it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin. But this is predicated upon the man's becoming, in very fact, an American, and nothing but an American."

"There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all."

Here is what he is saying: Any man who says he's American but something else also is not an American at all. A German-American? A Russian-American? An Afro-American? No, no, no. He says that any man who says he's an American plus something else is not an American at all.

Here is his last paragraph:

"We have room but for one flag, the American flag. And this excludes the red flag, which symbolizes all war against liberty and civilization, just as much as it excludes any foreign flag of a nation to which we are hostile. We have room but for one language here, and that is the English language. And we have room but for one sole loyalty, and that is loyalty to the American people."

Would you like to guess who said that? Teddy Roosevelt, in 1907.

I would add one thing: There is not only room for one flag and one nation; there is only room for one faith, and that is the Christian faith. You look at the Muslim countries and the Jewish Zionist nation; all of them forbid Christianity. Do you know that American troops could not even wear the American flag when they were in Muslim countries, and chaplains could not wear a cross? Why?

If Muslims have the right to forbid Christianity, and if the Jews have a right to forbid Christianity in Israel, don't you think we have a right to forbid Judaism and Islam in this country, since we're a Christian nation? Of course we do. If you want to follow Islam, my advice is to stay in a Muslim country. If you want to embrace Judaism, stay in a Jewish country. If you're going to come to America, you've got to understand that we were founded as a Christian nation, and the Christians in this nation want it back. We want a Christian law and a Christian nation. Do not expect us to convert to Islam, follow Sharia, the law of Islam, or subsidize your culture, religion, and efforts with our tax dollars. You want your religion to stay in your country. It's that simple. If you come into this country, you're in our country. That means you must assimilate to our culture and our faith. We're not going to change ours for yours. President Theodore Roosevelt said that in 1907, though it would be politically incorrect today. In fact, I'm politically incorrect. Probably, if you're listening to this tape, you're politically incorrect.

The Failure of Modern Immigration Policy

I would rather be biblical than politically correct. Let me show you the mess that we are in this country. I want you to see how easy it is for anyone to get into this country—not merely someone who slips across the border, but someone who wants to come here legally.

I ran across a website that basically said, "Are you qualified to be an American? Take the test and see." The website explained: "When immigrants want to become Americans, they must take a civics test as part of their naturalization interview before a citizenship and immigration services officer. The questions are usually selected from a list of 100 sample questions." It gave a website, and I went to it. It was an official government website. It said that prospective citizens can look at the questions ahead of the interview. That is like giving you the answers before giving you the interview. "Some are easy. Some are not."

The website continued: "We have picked some of the more difficult ones. Should you be welcomed immediately into the land of the free or sent home for some more homework? Find out." Then it gave twenty multiple-choice questions. I want to read these to you. When I finished the twenty, I went to the website and looked at all one hundred questions.

I will give you my assessment: We are in deep trouble. I want you to listen.

Number one: How many stripes are there on the United States flag—10, 13, 50, or 51? Do not answer out loud. Number two: Who is the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court today—George W. Bush, Alberto Gonzalez, Thomas Jefferson, or John G. Roberts, Jr.? Everyone probably knows it is John G. Roberts, Jr.

Number three: In what year was the Constitution written—1776, 1787, 1876, or 1812? Well, 1776 was the Declaration, and the war did not end until 1783, so it had to be 1787. Number four: Which of these is guaranteed by the First Amendment—freedom of the press, the right to bear arms, the right to happiness, or the right to a trial by jury? Of course, freedom of the press.

Number five: How many Supreme Court justices are there—nine, ten, or thirteen? The answer is nine. Number six: What are the first ten amendments to the Constitution called—the preamble, the Bill of Rights, the first ten amendments, or Lewis "Scooter" Libby? Of course, they are called the Bill of Rights. Number seven: When was the Declaration of Independence adopted—July 4, 1776; July 4, 1787; July 4, 1812; or July 4, 1876? You know: 1776. Number eight.

I want you to think about this one; you might miss it. Which of the following amendments to the Constitution does not address or guarantee voting rights: the Nineteenth Amendment, the Twenty-fourth Amendment, the Fifteenth Amendment, or the Seventh Amendment? Well, remember the first ten were called the Bill of Rights. Voting is in the first ten, so it has to be the Seventh. The other three deal with voting.

Listen to number nine. This one might get some of you. I am not going to read all of these, but what were the original thirteen states, or the thirteen colonies? In case you do not know, I am going to read them: Connecticut, New Hampshire, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Rhode Island, and Maryland. That was the correct answer. To show you how stupid it is, they even threw in some of these that were wrong—New Zealand—and, you know, come on. Anybody one eye and a half cents knows better than that. Number ten, listen to this one: What was the first one? Do you remember?

How many stripes were there on the American flag? What do the stripes of the United States flag mean? The cabinet, one for each state in the Union. They represent the thirteen original states, or one for each article of the Constitution. If you know there were thirteen colonies, there must be thirteen stripes.

What is the introduction to the Constitution called? The choices are the Preamble, the Bill of Rights, the Declaration of Independence, or the Articles of Confederation. The answer is the Preamble.

How many changes or amendments are there to the Constitution? The choices are nine, ten, thirteen, or twenty-seven. If you do not

know, go back to question number eight and find which amendment did not deal with voting: nineteen, twenty-four, or fifteen. If there is a Twenty-fourth Amendment, there must be more than twenty-four amendments, because twenty-four is not one of the choices. Twenty-seven is one of the choices.

Which of the following is not one of the constitutional requirements to become eligible to become president? A candidate must be at least thirty-five years of age, must have lived in the United States for fourteen years, and must be a natural-born citizen. He must have served as governor; very obviously, that is not a constitutional requirement.

Who selects the Supreme Court justices? The choices are the Electoral College, the people, or appointment by the President of the Senate. They are appointed by the President. How many representatives are there in Congress? The choices are fifty, one hundred, one hundred two, or four hundred thirty-five. The answer is four hundred thirty-five.

Who said, "Give me liberty or give me death"? The choices are George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, or Patrick Henry. The answer is Patrick Henry. Why did the Pilgrims come to America: in search of gold, to meet the Indians, for religious freedom, or to escape the Revolutionary War? They came for religious freedom. Who has the power to declare war? Congress, the President, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff? Congress, but of course, in our day and time, the President.

What INS form is used to apply to become a naturalized citizen? The choices are Form N-200, Petition for Naturalization; N-400, Application for Naturalization; a Social Security Card; or FD-258. The answer is N-400, Application for Naturalization.

What INS form is used to apply? Well, it has to be N-400, Application for Naturalization. I mean, come on, how brilliant do you have to be to figure that one out? And number 20 asks, which of these contain three rights or freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights? I'm not going to read them all, but it's the second one: freedom of speech, freedom of press, and freedom of religion.

They have them so intermixed that it is obvious. Then I went to the website that listed all 100 questions. I'm going to tell you, it was pitiful. Let me tell you what the first question was on this website of 100 questions. Remember, these 20 were some of the more difficult ones? The first question was, "What are the colors of our flag?" Now let me ask you a question: How important is it for an immigrant to know the colors of our flag? They did not ask, "What do the colors represent?" or "What did President George Washington say concerning the colors of the flag?" No, just, "What are the colors of the flag?"

Something is wrong in this country. My question is, have you figured it out? Let me point out that even an illegal alien—not counting the legal immigrants, but even an illegal alien—once he gets here to this country, will qualify for food stamps, WIC, housing subsidies, utility grants, welfare, Medicaid, educational grants, free hospital, medical, and dental care, free education for the children, and a host of other benefits, all at taxpayers' expense.

What did God mean when He said, "There shall be one law for you and the stranger"? If you look in your Bibles to 1 Timothy chapter 5 and verse 8, I could quote this verse, but I do want you to see it. Look what God says. Remember, there is one law for he that is born in the land and for the stranger that so dwelleth among you. In 1 Timothy chapter 5 and verse 8, God says, "But if any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he denied the faith, he is worse than an infidel." What's that mean?

An immigrant who comes over here, will not work or provide for his own, and wants to live on welfare, needs to be kicked out of the country. The Bible says in 2 Thessalonians 3:10, "This we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat." What does God's law say? If you are going to come over here to live off somebody else, you are violating His law. If you will not live according to His law, then you are not welcome in this land. You cannot embrace the law of God without embracing all of it.

When immigrants really started coming into this country, especially during the Irish potato famine in the 1800s, Irishmen came over by the thousands. Irish people are usually predominantly Roman Catholic, but the Irish people who came during that period,

and their descendants, are predominantly Presbyterian and Baptist. Why? Presbyterian and Baptist missionaries met them at the dock, taught them our faith and culture, taught them how to work, and taught them how to assimilate into society.

Conclusion: Call to Repentance

The point is this: something is wrong when anyone can slip into this country and then demand that we support them and their family. Something is wrong when anyone can come into this country legally and still demand that we support them and their family. God says there is to be one law for you and the stranger. That excludes multiculturalism, multireligiousism, pluralism, and political correctness. It means there is to be God's law. Until we come back to His law, we are going to have more trouble than you can shake a stick at.

Tighten your seatbelts, because judgment is coming if we do not repent as a nation and as a people. Let us pray. Father, we ask in the name of Jesus Christ that You would help us and speak to our hearts. Help us, Lord, to understand that Your word is truth and Your law is accurate. It resolves all of our problems if we would simply obey it. Help us, Lord; deliver us. In Christ's name we ask and pray, Amen.

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