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THE NECESSITY OF GOD CALLED LEADERSHIP! SEPTEMBER 2020

Today we want to take our Scripture text from **Proverb 28:1-4**, "**The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion. For the transgression of a land many are the princes thereon: but by a man of understanding and knowledge the state (or present condition) thereof shall be prolonged (or extended). A poor man that oppresseth the poor is like a sweeping rain which leaveth no food. They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them.**" Admittedly, in my lifetime, I have never witnessed such a deep void of godly leadership as I am witnessing today. The leadership that is presently ruling America is without a doubt spoiled, rotten, destructive, and corrupt to the core. It is sickening to witness the hypocrisy and double standards that has so terribly pervaded this once great nation. In our Scripture text Solomon begins quickly by mentioning the wicked as the root cause for our national problems and present sorrows. Because of the cowardice of these wicked leaders there is no true cause or justifiable reason to run, flee, or hide. The wicked only do so because they are spineless and lack true leadership. The truth is, these cowardly leaders are fearful because they are corrupt to the core and possess no integrity. It is appalling to hear these diehard liberals declare Trump is the problem when he has only been in office for only a little over three years. In the very beginning of mankind we witness as Adam fled from the presence of Elohim because he had sinned. Elohim was not pursuing Adam as some type of an

animal to be hunted down and destroyed but rather Elohim was seeking Adam because he had fallen: Adam was lost and needed redemption. Adam clearly represents today's leadership and because of their sins they run, flee, and hide when there is no justifiable reason to do so. After Jacob and his remaining sons came down to Egypt and reconciled with Joseph, we witness as Jacob prophesied over all 12 of his son's right before his passing. Following Jacob's death, Joseph's brothers immediately fled and hid themselves from Joseph's presence because they were unable to forgive themselves of their past deeds which they had committed against Joseph. We read in **Genesis 50:15**, "**And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father (Jacob) was dead, they said, Joseph will peradventure (surely) hate us, and will certainly requite (or will return) us all the evil which we did unto him.**" Sadly, Joseph's brothers carried great guilt from their past sins concerning Joseph and regrettably were unable to forgive themselves of their misdeeds even though they had now been in Egypt for over 17 years. After 17 years of total reconciliation among the family, once Jacob passed, Satan quickly reminded Joseph's brothers of their evil and wicked deeds. Once God forgives us we need to forgive ourselves, forget the past, and move onward without any guilt or shame. Even though Joseph had completely forgiven them and they were fully reconciled; they fled because in their hearts they still saw themselves as wicked and unworthy men. Joseph being a type of Christ

forgave them by his words found here in **Genesis 50:20**, "**But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive. Now therefore fear you not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.**" God's word and the Holy Spirit are all about comforting His people. Concerning our Scripture text **vs.2** declares: **for the transgression of a land many are the princes thereof.**" This speaks of a continual change or the succession of leadership concerning a nation. What does that mean you may ask: if a man of understanding can better discern leadership that will produce righteousness or a better path for a nation's recovery, then those discerning men will seek that change through the electoral process. The truth is, many people in America saw Donald Trump as a better pathway to righteousness coupled with an economic recovery. The truth is, Donald Trump did produce: however, the enemy has continually sought his utter demise. Even unrighteous and wicked men can discern when someone else is wiser than themselves; providing they are willing to be honest and sincere. After Joseph revealed God's plan concerning the seven years of plenty followed by seven years of famine Pharaoh declared here in **Genesis 41:39-42**, "**And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath showed thee all this, there is none so discreet and wise as thou art: Thou shalt be over my house, and according to thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in**

the throne will I be greater than thou. And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt." Pharaoh beheld within Joseph, extraordinary and great leadership; thus he made Joseph Prime Minister of Egypt. That leadership and authority found in Joseph came from Elohim because of his mighty hand upon Joseph's life. Elohim allowed Pharaoh to witness this great leadership because God would use Pharaoh to house, cloth, and feed a fledgling nation at his expense. Many sinful people were able to recognize Donald Trump possessed far greater leadership than what we had seen in nearly 40 years. In **vs.3** of our Scripture text tragically reveals, if the "poor" are given the opportunity to serve in the least position of authority, they will usually "oppress" their poor fellow peers. The truth is most poor people are unskillful and they regrettably lack knowledge and understanding. For the most part, that is why they are poor and not because of their personage. For that very reason the poor tragically oppress others when given an opportunity to rule in any authority. Here in **vs. 4** of our scripture text we witness what happens to any nation when they forsake the law or Word of God and begin to praise and laud the wicked. Any nation that forsakes God will eventually meet their demise. We are told in **Jeremiah 6:10**, "***Behold, the word of the Lord is unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it.***" Simply put, wicked men despise God's Word and they certainly find no delight, joy, or pleasure within it. Even though the prophet Jeremiah was declaring an uncompromising message the people still rejected, scoffed, and perverted the Word of God. Today we witness utter perversion not only from behind the pulpits, but even from our elected officials as they adamantly embrace sodomy, abortion, and same-

sex marriage. To make matters even worse, they stand on their soapboxes while on the national news outlets every Sunday morning and pontificate Scriptures from the Word of God. How blasphemous are these evil and wicked leaders? These slithering vipers will soon find themselves in the halls of God's Almighty Judgment. The psalmist declared in **Psalms 10:4**, "***The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.***" The psalmist is stating these wicked leaders think there is no God and there is no day of accountability. They demonstrate daily there is no thought of God's judgment within their minds. Regretfully, America is fulfilling **Romans 1:22**, "***Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools.***" America has become a portrait of fools, to say the least. It must be clearly noted: the child of God, is never left without hope when searching the Holy Scriptures. Here in **vs.4** of our scripture text Solomon declared: ***those that keep the law or the word of God contend with them!*** As believers, we are commanded to contend against the lawless and never run and hide like the wicked. We are to be as bold as a lion crying aloud and sparing no one, especially the wicked. Even though it cost John the Baptist his head, he would not compromise neither would he abandon the truth in spite of the king. John stood flat footed and declared in **Mark 6:18**, "***It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.*** Now is not the hour for cowardice men or leadership. Now is the time for men to stand and cry aloud and spare not, in spite of the coming persecution that will soon encroach the church the body of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is the hour in which men must contend with lawlessness or we too shall be lost. In my heart, I know without a doubt, America will soon be plunged into a

Civil War; unless we seek the face of God Almighty and he moves on our behalf. This coming Civil War is not about dethroning tyrants, despots, and suffering evil men to remain in authority. The Civil War that I speak of is all about returning to the righteousness that America once possessed. This banner of righteousness that I speak of comes from the righteousness of Jehovah Himself. Remember the words of Jesus found in **John. 15:5**, "***I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.***" America will never find its prosperity and success without returning to Jehovah. America can elect all the officials she desires, but Christ must be Lord of all. We are told in **Proverbs 14:34**, "***Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.***" If righteousness can be lifted up once again over America there will be blessings, healing, and prosperity: but if not, we will become nothing more than a nation of shame and disgrace. This is why here at The Voice of Evangelism we strive and contend to preach an uncompromising message from the Word of God. God's Word and the Holy Ghost are the greatest deterrents that can be found in any nation. Please do your part through prayer, fasting, and seeking his most holy face. If Jehovah desired a blessing and an expected end for Israel He will expect no less for America: **Jeremiah 29:11**, "***For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.***" As always, we humbly thank you for your faithful prayers and tireless giving. This is a very perilous and dangerous hour and we must be diligent to say the least. Know that we take your prayer request to our Lord each time we received them because our God does answer prayer.

Serving With You All,

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