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We continue the third part in our series with this Scripture, "Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me days without number" (Jeremiah 2:32).

Sadly, most churches bow to cultural currents; knowingly or unknowingly endorsing "Positive Christianity" (see January newsletter). This originated with Adolph Hitler, who mastered changing word meanings and creating new ones.

I had the humbling privilege of speaking with Walter Ziffer, a World War II concentration camp survivor. I spoke with him at length when he was in his mid-90s. In spite of his advanced age, he had an unfathomable memory of Holocaust events seared into his conscience.

One of things he was most adamant about was that Hitler changed the meaning of words and created new ones. It was Hitler who, in *Mein Kampf*, accused the Jewish people of telling a lie and telling it often enough so others would eventually believe it. This eventually became a Nazi propaganda ploy; even being used by leftist liberals today.

Most politicians try to manipulate people's way of thinking. We see them creating new words, such as "woke" and "transgenderisim". Let me be clear, I know when I am awake – and there is no such thing as transgenderisim! God created only two genders: "Male and female created he them" (Genesis 1:27).

Our culture is being devastated by Antichrist, demon-infested zealots; erasing history, creating a false culture, and remaking the world!

One of the next events on the horizon is "a falling away first, and

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that man of sin be revealed" (2 Thessalonians 2:3)! Many believe they will not be here – being secretly raptured before he is revealed – but, as I said in a previous newsletter, if the church couldn't keep prayer in school and abortion from becoming legalized, then today's church won't restrain the Antichrist's revealing.

Terms like woke, cancel culture, and CRT better known as Critical Race Theory are exploding. This reveals the absolute deception and duplicity controlling minds here in America (2 Thessalonians 3:13).

Apostle Paul declared, "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools" (Romans 1:22). They declare they are wise but are fools because of their perverted minds. Paul added, "Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen" (Romans 1:25). These foolish ones exchanged the truth of God for a lie! Many have transferred their worship from God, who is the Truth (John 14:6), to the devil, a liar (John 8:44).

The lie is: Satan is man's benefactor, is to be worshiped, and believed. Remember Satan himself is a subordinate created by Elohim.

The more governments remove God and godliness from their culture, the more quickly and easily that nation forgets God. We are told, "The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts" (Psalm 10:4). Sadly, this means there are no signs, evidence, or manifestations that God is in any of their thoughts. Paul complements

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this Scripture: "And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient" (Romans 1:28). As they reject God, God rejects them. You can understand why God is rejecting America, because of our evil government and the nation's sinful people.

Two powerful German Lutheran theologian pastors, Martin Niemöller and Dietrich Bonhoeffer, opposed Hitler. However, soon after their public resistance, 2,000 pastors quickly withdrew their support because they feared Hitler.

Martin Niemöller was imprisoned for what today is called *hate speech*, because he dared criticize the Nazi regime. Hitler charged Niemöller with *abuse of the pulpit* along with *speaking malicious words* and *provocative criticism*, undermining the people's confidence in their leaders.

These same things are happening in America. Parents are deemed *domestic terrorists* because they speak against the filthy, wicked school curricula local school boards are bringing into the public school system! Attorney General Merrick Garland demanded the FBI monitor these parents at these school board meetings to see if they are engaging in terrorism and hate crimes.

This administration could not care less about the influx of aliens overrunning our U.S.-Mexican border. Instead, they want to imprison parents who simply want to voice their opinion as they witness erroneous, evil indoctrination invading their public school system.

It was not long before Germany's freedom of speech was removed.

Niemöller would soon be placed in a concentration camp, remaining there until freed by Allied troops.

Pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer did not fare as well. On April 9, 1945, Bonhoeffer was hanged at a prisoner of war (POW) camp in Flossenbürg, only days before the American liberation of that POW camp. Because of his spirit-filled convictions, Bonhoeffer became a POW. The last words of this brilliant, courageous, 39-year-old opponent of Nazism were, "This is the end. For me the beginning of life".

Should this type of persecution happen to any of us, I pray we possess Bonhoeffer's same courageous spirit. In the Bible, we see the same in Stephen the martyr's life (Acts 7:59-60).

Soon, our U.S. government will declare preaching God's Word a crime – *hate speech*. Keep in mind all of this evil is transpiring using code words such as *freedom*, *peace*, *fairness*, *equity*, and *equality*.

This brings me to "The Equality Act". At this writing, this legislation is in committee in the Senate. It would amend the 1964 "Civil Rights Act" to explicitly prevent discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. This Act would enshrine protections into law for one's romantic or sexual desires and one's sense of having an alternate gender not related to their biological gender. The Equality Act is filled with perversity, especially regarding the lie of gender identity.

Some weeks ago we all learned of a 15-year-old male student who said he was *transgender*, went into the girl's restroom at his high school wearing a skirt, and raped a young lady. This is the perversity and distortion sweeping this nation.

If any venue you attend allows such evil, voice your opinion, walk away, and never support them again. It is high time for the church, the body of Christ, to stand up, hold fast to our convictions, and quit capitulating to every evil whim and edict sweeping our nation. Now is not the time for cowardice in the church!

If you are a coward, you're in danger of being rejected by Jehovah: "But the fearful (or timid), and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death" (Revelation 21:8).

Timidity and cowardice have no place in the Kingdom of God. Jehovah gave Joshua a great command: "Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest" (Joshua 1:9).

This evil legislation would affect businesses such as flower shops and bakeries that have been the center of discrimination court cases in recent years. *The Equality Act* trumps the *Religious Freedom Restoration Act*. Actually, this new law would infringe upon current religious freedom. This is a deceptive, slippery slope wherein they attack religious freedom to impede the church.

Soon our government will oppose true Christianity. Most liberal megachurches will capitulate, surrendering to government edicts, just like those 2,000 pastors under the terror of Hitler. It cost Bonhoeffer his life, just as it did John the Baptist.

Satan seeks to stay the speech of every true, God-anointed minister. *The Equality Act* protects the rights of one side but destroys the rights of the other. This reveals the great evil found in the halls of Congress.

It is time for the church to stand and be counted for the righteousness of God's holy Word. The Bible plainly identifies sin and states the wicked, that is, the unrighteous, cannot inherit the Kingdom of God. The apostle Paul warned the church at Corinth: "Know ve not that the

unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God?" (1 Corinthians 6:9). Anyone living an unrighteous life need not expect to inherit the kingdom of our most high God.

You may ask the question: Who are the unrighteous? They are the unjust, those who fall short of the righteousness required by divine law and those who do not conform to the Word of the Lord as it is written.

Man's eternal destiny will not be judged by the legislative laws of humanity but by the Word of Almighty God. Be it known for certain, God's judgment is just! Jesus is the righteous Judge: "For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son" (John 5:22). The court of Jesus Christ is holy and just. All men will receive their just reward, without favor, no matter who they are.

I exhort you to spend more time in prayer, seeking the face of God. This is a day and hour in which men must diligently seek Him. The only solution to the rampant sin issue today is the salvation afforded to everyone by the Lord Jesus Christ through His substitutionary death, burial, and resurrection.

Again we humbly thank you for your love and support for this ministry. Please keep *The Voice of Evangelism International Ministries* in your prayers; that the Lord will set our steps in His holy Word.

Uncertainty will grow exponent-tially in the days ahead, but never doubt nor question God's faithfulness in your life. Christ said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Hebrews 13:5), and I believe that! Remember, "the end is not yet" (Matthew 24:6); but we are traveling at break neck speed to see our own destruction as a nation.

Serving Along Your Side,

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