## Message# 279\_3-10-2024 - "Baptisma in the Name of..."

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Good morning everyone. Thank you for tuning into the message this morning.

I was able to speak with Doug a little bit this week. There's good news and then there's some challenging news. The challenging news is that he's being kicked around now by the medical world. He's dealing with some complications from the surgery - and the doctors in California are hesitant to help him because the surgery was performed in Michigan. I have my own theories as to why the runaround - but my opinions are not important in this matter. What is important is that we keep Doug earnestly in our prayers for healing. He needs healing from the surgery so that he can more boldly face life ahead of him minus a major portion of his leg. Doug's spirit is still high. Mindy often refers to him as a warrior and the more I get to know Doug - the more I understand Mindy's description.

The good news on the Doug front is more of the same - of what I have heard many times in our ministry. When people are able to grasp the Bible truths concerning Fulfilled Bible Prophecy - their lives begin to change. The Word of God gets revealed in ways they never saw before. That is so exciting to hear those testimonies. I told Matthew that, yes, it's great, when we see our young people come to truth. We should not be surprised - but we should expect to see our young children believe what their parents try to teach them. But when we see adults - 30, 40, 50, 60 years and older - come to truth - and hear testimonies of how the Word of God has changed their life - that is extra exciting. I'm not at all diminishing the trust of our young people - that's awesome. But it is just really something to see grown people come to life-changing truths.

Doug tells me that Mindy is right there with him. That's also extra special - as it is a rare thing to find husbands and wives that are in agreement on the present day reality of the Kingdom of God.

Please continue praying for Chrissy. It's hard to believe that Josie is already 8 weeks old. We sure hoped that Chrissy's recovery would have been farther along - but it's not. So, we continue in prayer. Josie's doing great. It's just that Chrissy still needs some more mending.

As I was making these notes and thinking about Doug, a thought came to my mind and I want to take a minute to say this to all of you. I think I've said something like this before, but I feel led to say it again.

As you know, my mother tells me that I will be 62 years old - I'm not going to laugh and say - 62 years young - that's not accurate. Sometimes I feel 62 going on 82. Hate to admit it - but I'm like an old horse that's been ridden hard and put away wet. Now that was an attempt at some humor - though I really should know better than that.

I have lived the way I preach - for more than 40 years now. I know this. I don't like it. But I know this is true. There are people - and I'd say more people than not - that despise the way I preach - and hate the way I live. When you preach that it is sin to live according to the little g "governments" of men - you are going to be hated for that. Lots and lots and lots of grown men have fought in wars for men's little g "governments" - bullets zinging past their heads - I've even known men that were held in Japanese and German prison camps. Fathers have lost their sons. Sons have lost their fathers. Wives have lost their husbands - people who believe that it was the greatest thing of all to give their lives for a country. "I'd die for that flag. I'd give my life for that CONstitution."

Then, you have some preacher telling people that they ought never to have done those things. You have some preacher tell them that what they did was in vain. The preacher even tells them that what they did was not only not noble - but it was a sin for them to do what they did and they need to repent and ask God for forgiveness.

Friends, that is not the way to win friends and influence people. That would have never been acceptable at a Dale Carnegie conference. That will get you hated. It will get you despised.

But I can't help it. I won't help it. I won't back down from it. Living or dying in defense of a system that - very simply - is in defense of man's definitions of right and wrong - good and evil - no matter how someone wants to spin it - is wrong. The U.S. CONstitution, or the Russian CONstitution, or the CONstitution of Canada, or the CONstitution of the Republic of the Philippines - are all documents that establish "government" in opposition to the Laws of God, the Bible, the Kingdom of Jesus Christ, the Kingdom of Heaven, the Will of God - and people are not to align themselves with those who support those "governments."

I've lost friends. I've lost family members. I've had people say all sorts of things about

me for my entire adult life - because I advocate exclusively for the Laws of God, for the Kingdom of Christ - but I won't apologize for it. I'm not backing down. The Word of God is as clear as anything ever was on this - and I'm not backing down. What this has done - and I admit it to you - it has made me sort of gun shy - so to speak - literally and figuratively. It's caused me to not know if someone likes me today and hates me tomorrow. And as a result of this - I have become - in some ways - you might say, sort of a recluse. And what I mean by that is that I certainly use whatever voice I have been given - and whatever platform I have to preach this message - the radio - the internet, etc., or in person, whatever - but when it comes to dealing one on one with people - I do not force my opinions on people - face to face.

In other words, if someone wants to be my friend, if someone wants to talk with me, I will pretty much always talk with them. I want friends, I want to be friendly. But I know that a lot of people don't really want to be friends with someone who seems to be so controversial. And since I've had so many people just turn on me - I've just kind of learned to accept it. If someone wants to talk to me - then I will always talk. If someone wants to be my friend, I'll always be friendly. But when people stop talking to me - or stop being friendly to me - it has become my nature to just accept that they have written me off - it's happened over and over - or don't want me a part of their life any more - and I have just accepted it - painful as it may be - and I move on.

I am not the pursuer any more. I used to be. When I was young, if someone didn't want to by my friend, it would drive me nuts and I'd do everything I could to try to regain a friendship. But, when someone doesn't want to be your friend - and you perceive it to be because of your faith - then you finally realize that there's just not that much you can do about it and you go on. I preach what I preach. I do my absolute best to live what I preach - I put my nose to the grindstone - and if someone, anyone wants to join in - that's great. But if not, I've learned to accept it and let it go.

There's a couple things I want to talk to you about before we get into today's message - and sadly - it has the potential to create some more enemies - just like what I just finished talking about - but what I have to say - has got to be said. It's not pretty. It's not fun or enjoyable - but it has to be said.

I've been thinking for a week now how I was going to approach this. And I think I finally know how I need to open this discussion. I think the best thing to do is just to read an article from a television station out of Kansas City, Missouri. Quote:

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The man accused of a shooting and killing an Independence [police] officer and Jackson County civil process server last week was released from an area hospital and booked into jail on Tuesday.

I'm almost hesitant to even say his name, because I don't even know the guy. I don't want someone to think I'm speaking for the guy - I'm not. I don't even know him.

Larry Acree, 69, is charged with two counts of first-degree murder, three counts of armed criminal action and one count of assault of a special victim in the deaths of Independence police officer Cody Allen and civil process server Drexel Mack.

The shooting happened at a home in the 1100 block of North Elsea Smith and Bundschu roads Thursday as Mack was assisting with serving a Notice to Vacate.

Court records revealed the home where Acree was living had been sold at a delinquent tax sale six months ago.

Acree owed more than \$29,000 in delinquent taxes, interest, penalties and fines due to failing to pay taxes from 2019 to 2021.

He allegedly ambushed Mack and two other civil process servers who were at the home to serve the Notice to Vacate.

In announcing the charges, Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney Jean Peters Baker said it had been a year-long eviction process.

Finally on Thursday, Mack and his colleagues cut through a padlock on the fence before knocking on the door of the home.

After receiving no response, they drilled out the lock of the door and entered the home where Acree was waiting inside and opened fire.

The other civil process servers retrieved [I think they meant to say retreated] from the home and called police.

Allen was among the officers who responded to render aid and rescue Mack when Acree opened fire again.

Allen and two other officers were hit by the gunfire. Allen died from injuries sustained in the shooting, but the two other officers were released from a hospital and will recover.

Every single thing about this just stinks. It's horrible. Two people are dead. Wives do not have husbands. Children do not have dads. An old man will likely be executed by the state for his actions - and the saddest of all - nothing that happened will likely bring about any change that might prevent another tragedy such as this one.

No one - and I mean no one - should ever take what I am saying and say that I am excusing this man for killing two people, I'm not. But, there is guilt to be shared in this by a whole bunch of people and by a system that brought it all about - because people love their "governments" that they have created - instead of yielding to the Only God Ordained Government on this earth - the Commonwealth of Israel - the Kingdom of God, the Kingdom of Christ, the Kingdom of Heaven.

I do not know this Larry Acree. Never heard of his name before last week. As far as I know, he might be the scum of the earth. I have no idea. But let me tell you what I do know. Let me disassociate some facts from the fact that Larry Acree killed two people - in what - even though I do not know him - are some true facts. What I mean by that is this - forget that this is about someone named Larry Acree. This could be any number of people - a very small number of people. But it could be other people. Let me just say that.

I will tell you this. He owned his home. The bank did not own his home. How do I know this? I know this because the article says that he "owed back taxes." In what men call the "state of missouri" - owing back taxes can happen only one way - unless I'm mistaken, but I don't think I am. It can only happen when people own their own property - there is no mortgage. When there is a mortgage - when the bank owns the property - and I tell you as a sidenote - it is an irritating thing to here people call themselves "homeowners" when the plain truth is that the bank owns the home and the people are in debt to the bank and making payments to the bank. That is not a home-owner. You are not a homeowner if you are making payments - making payments to anyone. So, you can fool yourself all you want to - try to get the warm and fuzzies by calling yourself a homeowner - but if you are making payments - you are not a homeowner - fooling yourself only. You can have made 100,000.00 dollars in payments on your home - and miss a couple payments - fall behind by a couple months - and you'll quickly see who really owns your home. Same for making car payments. Stop saying the car is yours, the truck is yours. The bank owns it. They are letting you use it

while you pay them back - and they are laughing hysterically at people who pay 30,000.00 for a 15,000.00 car - or 750,000.00 for a 250,000.00 house because they buy it on time.

Now that I have probably made some more enemies - for simply stating the true facts - in Missouri - when the bank owns the house - the property tax money is paid in the monthly payment. And the truth is - the person that foolishly tells everyone he is a homeowner - never pays the property tax. The tax is broken up into much smaller payments that are much easier to be paid. And when he makes a payment to the bank the bank pays the tax. (Actually, the bank will pay the tax whether the debtor makes a payment or not). A 2,400.00 tax bill is much more palatable and easier to swallow when it's 200.00 a month - instead of 2,400.00 all at once.

I believe if all these people who are deceived "homeowners" were forced to pay lump sums at the end of the year - there would be a revolt in their unGodly scheme of taxing property.

So, here is a man, Larry Acree, 68 years old - take his name out of it - fill in the blank with a very few other people who managed to pay for their homes without the bank. Or, maybe they spent their entire life - 30, 40 years of making payments and actually paid the bank back 750,000 for their original 150,000 mortgage - I don't know. But for whatever reason - they finally actually did own a home - "free and clear" as they say.

Now, at 68, 69, 70 - 80, 90 years old - they are now told they still have to come up with 2, 3, 4,000 dollars a year to pay property taxes or someone is going to come and take their property away? At 68 years old - you are going to be homeless? Forced to start all over again?

# What would you do?

Insert this Larry Acree - 68 years old back into the conversation. There have been some out there who have labeled him a "sovereign citizen." Whatever. Who knows? I don't know. Maybe he was. Maybe that is what he claimed for himself. I know that when those people came after me and tried to put me in prison for 98 years - one of the things they did was to scream - and I mean that - scream at the top of their lungs - "Charlie's a 'sovereign citizen.'" And I'll just tell you right now - right, wrong or indifferent - I've thought about my response often - but I yelled back - as loud as I could - "I am not a sovereign citizen." Let me talk to you about that for just a minute.

In their world of courts - which I absolutely despise - I hate it with a passion. But when you are forced into it at gunpoint - and it goes on for years and years - you learn a little bit about it - unless you're just plain stupid.

When I first heard the false accusation against me of "sovereign citizen" - I wrote a statement to their court system that simply had the title - "Not a sovereign citizen." And I put it in writing - laid it plain upon the tables - for the record - "Not a sovereign citizen." I had to go online and read about what they said a sovereign citizen actually was - and when I learned about - I refuted it. I am not sovereign. God and God alone is sovereign. And that's all I have preached for almost 40 years. And I don't care about the purest, most innocent usage of the word - sovereign - I know that word is in their founding documents. I know that's what their own "founding fathers" said - but just like nearly everything else that came from their founding fathers - they were wrong about that, too.

So, I put it in writing. I am not a "sovereign citizen". I am an exclusive child of the Living God. I am a citizen of the Commonwealth of Israel. I am not an earthly citizen of anything - and it is a total lie to say that I was then - or ever was a member of the loosely banded "sovereign citizen" movement in the u.s. or anywhere else in the world.

So - making it clear - again - that I am not a "sovereign citizen" - let me tell you some things I learned about the "sovereign citizen."

Their FBI calls them homegrown terrorists, among other things. One of the most important things they call them, is "paper terrorists." I believe, this is misguided in the least, slanderous in the worst - and intended to demonize someone who otherwise may not be dangerous at all. I'm not saying that sovereign citizens are not dangerous. Some of them are. But some of them are not - and the ones that I have learned of - are definitely not dangerous.

The "sovereign citizen" is called a paper terrorist because they typically file lengthy documents into their court system when they get hauled in for issues such as failure to pay "taxes" failure to have "licenses" and other things like that.

And the reality is - on those issues - taxes and licenses - in their court world - there have been lots and lots and lots of court cases that say that - again - in their world - I'm not talking about God's world - I'm not talking about how things should be - in their world - there are court cases that have said that taxes are not to be charged against a man's

labor. There are court cases that say licenses only apply to what they call "commercial drivers." I've seen a lot of that stuff. None of it applies or appeals to me - but I have seen it.

So these "paper terrorists" file these documents in hopes of winning and getting these people to leave them alone and let them just live their lives. They are - in their minds - trying to resolve a dispute in a peaceful manner - with paper, with ink - with words - as opposed to the way it used to be - with dualing guns in the streets.

But that's not the way it seems to work out most of the time. Reason is, their courts and their court decisions change with the wind. One day they tell you one thing, the next day they tell you something else. That's why it isn't a good idea to try to use their ever changing court decisions against them. And, lawyers, are very good at twisting and turning and changing things to fit whatever script they are trying to use.

But, that's what the "sovereign citizen" - or at least ones that I have learned about have done. And, the truth is, they can't win for losing. If they try to fight peacefully with pen and paper, they get called a "paper terrorist".

When they repeatedly get shut down by the system they have chosen for themselves - by the "government" they signed up for - and they realize that there isn't going to be a reasonable outcome, a peaceful resolution, some of them, as a last resort, I believe, will resort to violence.

Back to this Larry Acree. And again, I'm not defending him. I am defending principle - but I'm not defending him. The only thing I know about him is what you read in the paper. And only God knows if any of that is true.

The man owned his home - at least he wasn't making payments to a bank. He didn't pay the property taxes. He didn't pay - what I believe - is an extortion fee. That is what it is. Again - here comes losing more friends and probably making enemies - the payment of property tax - for someone who does not owe a bank - is no different than the mafia showing up at the business on the street corner and demanding "payment for protection." You pay us for protection, or we're going to burn your business down - or allow the other thugs to rob you or hurt you in other ways.

Everyone knows property taxes are supposedly going to fund schools. Sixty-eight year olds typically do not have children in schools. What about people that don't agree with

the schools? What about people that don't agree with all the things their "money" goes to? They have no choice - pay the taxes - or they will come and take your property away from you. You've spent your whole life trying to have a home that's paid for - and if you don't pay a property tax - which is an exorbitant amount of money - at 68 years old - they are going to put you out on the street. They'll sell your property right out from under you - and not even give you anything over and above the supposed tax money.

So they send someone out to your house to take your property - some young person probably - who has never owned a single thing in their life - they show up with guns - well - the Words of Jesus Christ are very appropriate -

"If you live by the sword, you will die by the sword."

The whole thing stinks. Everything about it stinks. But that's the way it is. That's what's going on.

Now, let me address something else that not a lot of people know. Apparently, there was another dispute. This Larry Acree apparently owed a roofing company 30,000.00 for a roofing bill that he apparently refused to pay. I do not know any of the details about that. I will say this. If he owed - or anyone else - owed someone 30,000 dollars and would not pay - and in this instance - it was supposedly over an unpaid roofing bill - if he owed the money and would not pay - the Law of God is clear. That's called theft. His 30,000.00 debt is now 2 times, 4 times or maybe even 5 times. The minimum he owes for theft is 60,000 and could be as much as 150,000 dollars depending on the circumstance. Under the Laws of God - the one that he owed the money to has every right to seize his property - in order to recompense what has now turned into theft. If the debtor refuses to pay - then - it's simple again - there is no jail - there is no debtor's prison - the thief would pay with his life. He would receive a death penalty for contempt of the Laws of God if he refused to pay, or stood in the way of paying for his theft - 2 times, 4 times or maybe even five times the amount he stole.

I have read the "Probable Cause" statement for the arrest of this Larry Acree for two counts of murder. There is nothing in that statement at all related to the alleged 30,000 roofing bill. The only thing that is said in the Probable Cause statement was the issue was over unpaid property taxes. The Probable Cause statement states - very clearly - that a Process Server was there to evict Acree from the property over unpaid property taxes.

Whatever the truth is - God knows. The Bible condemns man's system of taxing property. That's the root issue of all of this. Look, again, I'm not arguing for Larry Acree. I don't know the guy. He could be the worst man on earth. He could also be the most misunderstood man on earth right now, too. I have no idea. But man's little g "government" scheme of property tax is horrible. It needs to be done away with. In their world - which I wish I never had any interaction with - they would be far better off in doing away with it.

When their bank owns the land and house - if they want to tax their banks - have at it. But when someone "owns the land free and clear"- it is a horrible thing to force someone to pay a tax - that they don't want to pay - in order to keep their land and home.

As I said earlier, the biggest reason why this will probably never change in their world - is because hardly any of their citizens actually own anything. They don't own their cars. They don't own their homes - good grief - I see people in their world paying for a bottle of water with a credit card. Most of them are so far in debt - everything they have is owned by a bank or a credit card company.

So a man is called a paper terrorist when he tries to solve a dispute with pen and paper - as opposed to guns. Then, when that fails, and he comes to the realization that all hope is lost - I don't know what people think is going to happen when they show up at his house - with guns - to try to kick him out of his house. Again, I'll say it over and over, I'm not defending this man killing the people who were trying to kick him out of his house. Not at all. But what I am trying to do is make people think about what they are doing. Taking a man's property away from him - because he doesn't pay a tax - an extortion fee is what it is - or because he doesn't agree with their "government" - is wrong.

Which brings me to another article I saw this week. The link to this article is in the notes.

https://www.yahoo.com/gma/colorado-secretary-state-weighs-supreme-201617605.html

Headline, Colorado secretary of state after SCOTUS Trump ruling: 'I did not bring this lawsuit'

Understand now, I don't care one single bit about all this Trump stuff they have going. That is not my point at all in bringing this up. This article has something to do with their wicked evil system of taxing a man's property and then taking it from him if he refuses to pay it. Quote,

On Monday, the Supreme Court unanimously decided to reverse the decision by the Colorado courts that would have kicked former President Donald Trump off the GOP Primary ballot in the state.

The case was highly watched by election experts and legal scholars for the ramifications it would have on the election.

Although she did not file the lawsuit that sparked the case, Colorado Secretary of State Jena Griswold argued in favor of the plaintiffs of the suit before the justices and argued that the president didn't have a "get out of jail free card."

Griswold spoke with ABC News' Linsey Davis about her role in the historic case and her thoughts on the court's decision Monday.

The article is basically a transcript of a question and answer session with this Colorado "Secretary of State." She is quoted as saying,

JENA GRISWOLD: Thanks for having me on. First and foremost, I am glad the court issued a decision. Voters deserve to know whether Trump is a qualified candidate or not as they go into Super Tuesday.

But I am disappointed with the decision. We believe that states like Colorado [and] states across the nation have the authority to disqualify oath-breaking insurrectionists from our ballots. The Supreme Court decided otherwise. Donald Trump is on Colorado's ballot, and votes for him in the Super Tuesday election will be counted.

Then, she goes on to say:

Well, ultimately, my job is to uphold the law and the Constitution. And where there is, what many would say [is] pretty clear language in the Constitution about whether someone is disqualified or not. My job is to look at that. But again, I actually did not take any action in removing Trump from the ballot. A lawsuit was filed.

A lawsuit was filed, actually, against me asking a court to, stop me from putting Trump on the ballot. That then went to the Colorado Supreme Court, who said that Trump is disqualified because of his role in the insurrection and that the president or the former president is not above the law or the Constitution. Section 3 of the 14th Amendment applies to him.

I want to focus for just a minute on her statement regarding "pretty clear language in the CONstitution."

In the entire document, there is, in my opinion, one thing that I believe someone could say is "based on the Bible." One thing, in the entire document - maybe we could stretch something into two. And, the reality is, if they actually obeyed that one thing - and that's the beauty about obeying the principles in the Bible - even obeying just one thing - has the potential to bring about huge blessings.

In my opinion, there is one thing in that document that agrees with Scripture. And, the language in there is as crystal clear as anything could be in the document. They have this thing called Section 10, Clause 1, and it says this:

No State shall enter into any Treaty, Alliance, or Confederation; grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal; coin Money; emit Bills of Credit; make any Thing but gold and silver Coin a Tender in Payment of Debts; pass any Bill of Attainder, ex post facto Law, or Law impairing the Obligation of Contracts, or grant any Title of Nobility.

No state shall make any Thing but gold and silver Coin a Tender in Payment of Debts.

Now in my feeble mind, that sure seems to be one of those clear language things that the Colorado Secretary of State should be concerned about. No state...that's pretty easy, shall make....that seems easy, any Thing but gold and silver coin...that's pretty clear and easy...a Tender in Payment of Debts.

I realize that the word tender might be a little difficult for some, maybe most people. In this instant, it doesn't have anything to do with how easy it is to eat a piece of meat. In the dictionary, it means

In law, an offer, either of money to pay a debt, or of service to be performed, in order to save a penalty or forfeiture which would be incurred by non-payment or non-performance; as the tender of rent due, or of the amount of a note or bond with

interest. To constitute a legal tender such money must be offered as the law prescribes; the offer of bank notes is not a legal tender So also the tender must be at the time and place where the rent or debt ought to be paid, and it must be to the full amount due.

It also means.

- 3. Any offer for acceptance. The gentleman made me a tender of his services.
- 4. The thing offered. This money is not a legal tender.

As it is found in their CON - it means:

3. To offer in payment or satisfaction of a demand, for saving a penalty or forfeiture; as, to tender the amount of rent or debt.

Very simple. Very easy. Their CONstitution, as clearly as anything ever was in that document, it says that states cannot make anything other than gold or silver coin a tender in payment of debts.

That is simple. Clear, well written, easily understandable. But, since nearly their entire "government" is made up of lawyers - shysters - of which Jesus never once had a good Word to say about... The other day I just had youtube on while I was working and the video came on with Ashleigh Merchant who is one of their lawyers trying to get Trump and his cronies behinds out of a crooked wringer in Georgia - and Ashleigh Merchant was testifying before a committee of "politicians" in Georgia. The leader of the committee started out by saying that all of the politicians in the room, as well as the witnesses, were all lawyers. Of course they were.

It takes a lawyer to take such simple, clear words as were written in their Section 10, Clause 1, and make the statement

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...they make it completely valueless. If they did something like that, if they actually obeyed that, do you realize how small their "government" would actually be? Where would they get all this gold and silver coin so they could do all the things they do? You can't just create gold and silver out of thin air. The principles contained in the Scriptures that show us that God intended for gold, silver, copper, things that have intrinsic value

to be used for trade - for fair and just balances - would prevent men from doing almost all the evils they are doing today in the name of their "governments."

Some of the sovereign citizens have argued about this Section 10, Clause 1 statement and they have been shot down - literally and figuratively - pretty much every time they have brought it up.

The people that run these little g "governments" all swear oaths - or at least they are supposed to - to uphold and defend their CON - but not a single one of them will abide by their own CON - as it relates to their Section 10, Clause 1. It's totally crazy. One of the many weird things there are in men's little g "governments."

As if the statement isn't clear enough, all someone needs to do is read a little booklet written by one of their "founding fathers" - his name was Roger Sherman. If my memory serves me correctly, he was the only man to sign their articles of CONfederation, their declaration of independence and their CONstitution of the united states. And in his booklet called **A CAVEAT AGAINST INJUSTICE**, or an inquiry into the evils of a fluctuating Medium of Exchange (you can find this book on www.godsendusmen.com) he wrote that the whole purpose of creating the U.S. CONsitution was for the purpose of putting in a gold and silver clause that was missing from their articles of confederation. He even wrote that anyone who would permit anything but gold and silver as a currency, should receive the death penalty. But of course, that part of their history is not something they want their people to know about.

The reality is, if they actually obeyed their own CON - it would ruin them overnight - while ushering in freedom, peace and prosperity to the people the likes they have ever known. If they would just obey this one little principle concerning just weights and measures that God instituted in His Law and which He commanded every single man, woman, boy and girl to obey.

### The Bible says

Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

This lust pertains to a desire to take things that are not yours. There are two people dead in Independence Missouri this week in fulfillment of the principle found in James

#### 1:15. Other lives have been left completely ruined.

"Well, none of this would have happened if the man had just paid his taxes and obeyed the government." Wars have been carried out because someone wanted someone else's land. What is going on in the Middle East today is because someone wanted someone else's land. It stinks. The whole thing stinks. But when people refuse to govern themselves according to the teachings of Christ and the Bible - bad things happen.

Before I move on, I again want to make myself perfectly clear. I am not speaking on behalf of this Larry Acree. I don't know him. Never even heard the name before last week. I am not advocating for a "sovereign citizen". The whole movement is built on sinking sand and I would tell anyone involved in it - or its ideologies - to renounce them - come out of it - and bow their knees to the Only One Who is Sovereign - and that is King Jesus and His Father.

What I am advocating for is for people that are in man's "governments" who think they have the authority or power to define good and evil, right and wrong, then try to enforce it at the barrel end of a gun - I am telling them of their need to renounce that. That is just as evil as the sovereign citizen - and possibly even more evil. These people are the first ones to say that God gave them their power, their authority to do what they do - and that way of thinking is pure blasphemy. It displays the greatest amount of Biblical ineptitude in the world today.

God has never abdicated His throne. God has never - not since the days of Creation when He told Adam that he was not to partake of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil - meaning that Adam was never to become his own lawmaker - God has never allowed men to make their own definitions of good and evil, right and wrong. That is nothing but a recipe for disaster.

Men are only allowed to hold other men accountable to the very few Laws of God. Men are not allowed to force other men to obey them. It doesn't take any more than a cursory understanding of the Bible - to know this. So to make the claim that God has ordained men's little g "governments" to create and enforce their own "laws" is blasphemy. Making that claim is at the very heart of whatever that entity was in the Garden of Eden - look - whether that story was literal - it literally happened the way the text is in Genesis - there was a talking snake who made Adam and Eve doubt the Words of God - or whether it is allegory - a story to prove a point - to establish a principle - an

eternal principle - whatever it was - the principle is that God said man is not to eat of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Satan, the devil, the serpent, whatever that was - the heart of that entity is that no matter what God said - man is free to make his own definitions of good and evil, right and wrong. Then, naturally, man has the might, the power - to enforce those definitions on other men - whether they want to be a part of that or not.

Well, friends, everything else from that point on - God uses story after story - event after event - to let His Creation know that man does have a choice. Man does not - should not - better not - follow anything or anyone who has the spirit of that old serpent - the devil - in believing that man has been given the authority by God the Creator - to establish what is right and what is wrong.

We are living among people who believe that they know better than God. They know better than the Bible. They know better than Jesus - the One Who said - it is the heathen - it is the lost - it is those who are without God who believe that they can exercise dominion over one another - enforcing their own laws - enforcing their own definitions of good and evil -

"but among you - among My followers - it shall not be so."

Man's little g "governments" are filled with people who claim to be followers of Jesus Christ. And daily - they live their lives exercising dominion over other people. They can call themselves Christians until they are blue in the face. They can talk themselves into all sorts of things to justify their belief system - but they are not wheat - they are chaff - they are lost - they are the workers of iniquity - and they will be burned up.

If that man - or any other man like him - this Larry Acree - if he had stolen 30,000 dollars from another man - then the Laws of God must be enforced against him, against his sinful actions. If it means the loss of his property to satisfy restitution - then by all means - I'd be the first to stand up and make the judgment against his theft. But if all this happened because of man's unlawful tax schemes - then shame on every single man and woman that was involved.

Your lust, your sin, when it was finished brought forth death. And be not deceived, God will not be mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

Man's little g "governments" - not just the u.s., not just canada, and england, and germany, etc., every one of them are an affront to Jesus Christ, His Father, their Spirit, the Word of God, the Will of God, the Mind of God - and all of them - and all who believe in their system - whose origins come from the Garden of Eden - need to repent of their wicked ways - and turn from their iniquities - and bow their knees to King Jesus, His Commandments, His Father's Commandments, His Laws - and beg for forgiveness for their denial of the Only God Ordained Government that has been in existence since the new world began in the first century.

As we are working our way back to some of the last recorded Words of Jesus Christ, found in Matthew chapter 28, we left off last week with the last verse of chapter 26.

Ever since we worked our way back to Matthew chapter 20, we have seen the most awesome displays of the Authority of Jesus Christ. In every single chapter - we saw one story after another of Jesus speaking of His Authority. Taking Authority over everything in the lives of the people that He encountered. We saw Him spreading out His Authority - on not just those that heard His voice - but His open declarations were that His Authority was over everything and everyone.

As we see His Authority being preached in every chapter since Matthew 20 - we neither see or hear Him speak of anything that even resembles the modern church water ritual - that most people believe was the focal point of His ministry and His teachings.

His Words, His life - His intimate interactions with His disciples - prove that He was explaining to all of them - exactly what John the Washer meant when John said that Jesus would be bringing the world a baptismos, a washing, completely different than the physical H2O washing that John the Washer was leading people in the Old Covenant World into obeying.

From Matthew chapter 20 - specifically Matthew chapter 20 - earlier we have found texts where it says that with the exception of just a few - Jesus did not perform the Old Covenant physical washings that John did - but specifically - and conspicuously - very obvious - if we just allow ourselves to yield to the Scriptures - when referencing baptismos, baptisma, baptidzo - Jesus is clear as can be - that He is not talking about physical H2O water.

Instead - we see Him thoroughly washing the people, thoroughly overwhelming the people - thoroughly overtaking the people - immersing them in the truth that He has

been given All Authority - every single bit of it - in heaven - and in earth - and His disciples were to go into all the world and immerse everyone who would - in the truth that Jesus has All Authority - All Power - in heaven and in earth - and every man, woman boy and girl - is to obey the Commandments of His Father, the Son, the Holy Ghost until the end of the Old Covenant World - where finally - that principle for mankind would be established - firmly ingrained - as the Chief Cornerstone for the New Heavens, the New Earth, the New World, the New Covenant.

Find people who are immersed in the exclusive Authority of Jesus Christ - people who are doing all they can to live according to the exclusive teachings of Jesus Christ - find people who reject the dominion of men and embrace the Dominion of Jesus Christ - there you will find those who have been washed by the Blood of the Lamb. Those that have inherited the Kingdom of God - those who have been redeemed out of a world that has rejected the All Power in heaven and in earth of Jesus the Christ - the Risen King, the One and Only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

In our final moments this morning, let's continue with Matthew chapter 27. Begin, please in verse 1.

[1] When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put Him to death:

The modern "church" world - the only reason I say modern - is because that's really the only eye-witness testimony that I can provide. I know this has been going on for a long, long time. But somehow, the modern "church" world has taken the events we are getting ready to read and have separated them from the acts of man's "governments." They've deceived themselves into thinking all of this was just some religious thing that was separate from men's "governments." Not so. Yes. I'll grant that it seems to have started from the religious world. The text says the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put Him to death. But even this was not just religious in nature. To whatever extent the jews in Jerusalem at this time were permitted to govern themselves - the chief priests and the elders - those chosen to rule on account of their age - did have some sort of governmental power over people at that time.

Nothing has changed. Today's system is not much different than this one. We've all read stories how that the "presidents" of the u.s. consulted with the religious leaders - they've been very open about that - concerning actions that the "presidents" would

take. The religious men - like the chief priests who had part in killing Jesus - were deeply involved in the politics of the day. Verse 2:

- [2] And when they had bound Him, they led Him away, and delivered Him to Pontius Pilate the governor.
- [3] Then Judas, which had betrayed Him, when he saw that He was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,
- [4] Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that.
- [5] And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself.
- [6] And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.

So they had already conspired among themselves to commit a murder. Of course, they didn't believe that's what they were doing. They were preparing a state approved execution. Doesn't matter whether Jesus was completely innocent of any wrong-doing it was going to be done all according to "the law." The state, all those involved in killing innocent people - they are all absolved of any guilt - because what they are doing is in the name of - in the authority of the state. The state's unGodly concept of persecutors and cops and judges being "immune from prosecution" - prosecutorial - state immunity from prosecution during the course of their "duties." That is despicable. No man is allowed to violate the Laws of God simply because of the clothes that he wears or who signs a paycheck. Well, that's some sort of joke. I had my suspicions, I guess it just shows how far behind the times I am sometimes - but it's my understanding that these people never even see a "paycheck." Their credits just go straight into their account and they pretty much never even see anything that resembles something others might refer to as money. They never see gold and silver coin - now - they don't even see the paper currency. All they see is imaginary in the cloud credits floating around - but are acceptable because they buy a Big Mac at McDonalds.

But all of a sudden now, these murderers are concerned with what is lawful or unlawful. Politicians know how the game is played.

- [7] And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in.
- [8] Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.

- [9] Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of Him that was valued, whom they of the children of Israel did value;
- [10] And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.
- [11] And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked Him, saying, Art Thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, Thou sayest.

I ask you this morning - as far as Pilate is concerned - based on this text - are we talking about religion? Or are we talking about Authority? Yes, I understand that in Israel - the political was - for lack of a better world - religious. But with God, it's all supposed to be that way. I've told you before, how aggravated I used to get - I mean as a young man - 20 years old - get aggravated when I would hear preachers use the phrase "sacred and secular." As if there was to be a separation in the lives of the believers. In the lives of the followers of Jesus Christ - every single thing we do - is supposed to be sacred. There's not supposed to be a sacred part of our lives - and a secular part of our lives.

Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

Everything we do in our lives is supposed to be done to the glory of God. There is no sacred and secular for the believer. It's all supposed to be sacred. That's another reason why that ridiculous concept of "separation of "church" and state" is so wrong.

The Ekklesia of God - the blood washed believers - the called out from the world followers of Jesus Christ - are supposed to be a "state" - they are supposed to be a community, a nation, of people living according to the Laws of God under the Kingship of Jesus Christ - a 100% spiritual Kingdom that's lived out in the physical lives of the people.

But for Pilate, the governor in that time, the one who had the power over life and death - this was a matter of authority.

# Are you King?

Here's one more witness from the Word of God as to the Kingship of Jesus Christ. We've seen what was said at His birth. We've seen what was said when certain disciples were called to follow Him. We've seen the masses of people crying out "Hosanna to the King. Hosanna to the Son of David". We've seen many times now where Jesus allowed

people to call Him King - and that's because He was King. Friends, it doesn't matter if the world embraced Him as King, or not. We see very clearly that the world did not embrace Him as King - but reviled Him - cursed Him - abused Him - mocked Him - and ultimately executed Him like a notorious criminal. We can see all of it. From the beginning to the end. And whether the world likes it or not, whether our world accepts it or not - we do. We do understand that He was born to be King. We do understand that His Father crowned Him King of kings and Lord of lords. We do know that the Scriptures say that at His resurrection He took the throne of David as prophesied in the Scriptures - and we are going to live accordingly - no matter what the world thinks or does.

Are you King?

You better believe it!

- [12] And when He was accused of the chief priests and elders, He answered nothing.
- [13] Then said Pilate unto Him, Hearest Thou not how many things they witness against Thee?
- [14] And He answered Him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly.

Very interesting things going on here and I think we could talk endlessly about it.

In the trials and persecutions that we face today - there is much to learn about the way our Lord responded in His very Own trial. He said nothing. He stayed quiet. Some people have interpreted this as His refusal to give them "jurisdiction." If that's how a man believes God would have him respond to persecutions today. By all means. Jesus said at other times that the Holy Spirit of God would tell us what to say when called - or hauled before - those that oppose the Kingdom of God.

I believe God will lead us in how to respond when we face our persecutors.

- [15] Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would.
- [16] And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.
- [17] Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

Once again. This simply cannot be stressed enough. Christ is not His last name.

Jesus which is called Christ.

Christ. The King. The Anointed One of Israel. Christ is His title. It is Who He is. And it means the Anointed King. This is the One Who was prophesied to sit on David's throne. The final King that would sit on the throne of David. The last of the Kings. The last of the lords. This is what so many people do not understand. There has never been another King over Israel - and there will never be another King over Israel. Jesus, God's Son, is the last One that will ever be given that throne.

Now, it's our job, it's what has been the responsibility of every living breathing creature - since the first century - to leave the little g "governments" of men and serve the Living King. Follow the Living King. Live our lives - everything we do - according to the exclusive Kingship of Jesus Christ.

The problem with our world today - is this monster called "church" has done everything it can do to convince people that Jesus Christ is nothing but a coming king. He isn't King now. He's a coming king. And as I've said a thousand times before - if He's not King now - then who is? Someone's going to fill that void. And the world - led by that monster called "church" - tells people that Jesus Christ Himself - demands that people forsake His Kingship - or that His Kingship is something only found in the heavens - in some pie-in-the-sky - and until their jesus comes again - men are to bow down to and submit to men's little g "governments." Nothing could be further from the truth.

This is all about the Authority of Jesus Christ - all power - in heaven and in earth - beginning in the first century. It's not about the future.