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table talk

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"When A Christian Nation Forgets God"

Lutzer's Third Thesis: In a nation that forgets God, that which is legal may also be evil: Things long recognized as evil suddenly become legal, and maybe even preferred.

Jesus said "the enemy comes to kill, steal and destroy." (John 10) One of the defining marks of the satanic realm is the lessening of human life. And that lessening is usually through murder, slavery, abortion or extermination. The driving demonic concepts of all of these is the same. We cannot pick and choose which ones to hate. The prophet Isaiah said, "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!" (Isaiah 5:20).

In 1923 in a speech in Munich, Hitler said the following: "The Jews are undoubtedly a race but not human. They cannot be human in the sense of being the image of God, the Eternal. The Jews are the image of the devil. Jewry means the racial tuberculosis of the nations." (J. Fest, Hitler; Harcourt Press NY, 1973)

In other words, the Jews were animals and could be killed without reprisals. Sound familiar?

"Jews are animals."

"It's not a baby, but only a blob of tissue - a fetus."

"He's not really a human with rights, he's my property."

Isaiah understood that if evil is called good long enough, it becomes "good" in the eyes of the populace.

In R.J. Rushdoony's book *Law and Liberty* (p.33), the author observes that behind every system of law there is a god. "If the source of the law is the individual, then the individual is the god of that system. If the source of law is our court, then the court

is our god. If there is no higher law beyond man, then man is his own god. When you choose your authority, you choose your god. **WHEN YOU LOOK FOR YOUR LAW, THERE IS YOUR GOD."**

Hitler was given the absolute authority to declare law absolutely. It was as though the German people had a veil over their eyes. Paul was right, "In the last days, evil men and seducers will grow worse and worse – deceiving and being deceived." (2 Timothy 3:13)

When judgment comes, it is easy to identify the god of that nation. It happened in Germany, and it may be happening here. "Show me your laws, and I will show you your gods."

One of the most disturbing trends in America right now is the notion that laws should be based solely on the will of the people, not on any other standard. God's Word is the foundation we have attempted to build upon, but I'm convinced there has never been a time in our country's history when the Bible has been so disregarded and hated as within this present society. Now don't get me wrong. Scripture will come roaring back! Remember, God wins this fight, but we cannot know when He will deliver the knockout punch. We cannot hide from this culture war. Our children and our grands will live here long after we are gone.

Consider these thoughts from Lutzer:

- 1. Either God is the Lawgiver, or man is. This is the most foundational issue of any nation.**
- 2. Without a belief in God, nothing is unconditionally right or wrong.**
- 3. When God is separated from government, we are forced to accept arbitrary laws. Either God is supreme, or the state is supreme.**
- 4. Concerning the legalization of abortion in 1973: "A court can make abortion legal, but it cannot make it moral."**
- 5. The popularity of the teaching of evolution, and the accepting of liberal theology profoundly influenced the way law was understood in America.**
- 6. Francis Schaeffer explained that America has shifted from God's Law to "sociological law" – the belief that there are no absolutes but rather a relative, evolutionary morality. This means that in America now, law is what the majority wants or what the judges say it is.**
- 7. People of Christian character are undesirable as judges and public servants. Most of the Founding Fathers would most likely not be approved today for a position in the Supreme Court because of their religious convictions.**
- 8. Lutzer identifies 12 possible law changes that will change America into something she has never been.**
- 9. Remember, the Church of the Lord Jesus is in His Hand!**

I love you,
Pastor Stephen