

Rome or Israel?

What does God expect of His people when they are in the minority? How do we prepare for a time when there is NOT a genuine revival and spiritual awakening in our culture?

I. The first way for God's people to carry out His call to be salt and light in the country in which they live is to call the country back to the _____ it has with God. When we treat our country as another Israel we are saying that our country has an _____ covenant with God. The focus of God's people when we see our country as another Israel is to maintain and grow the relationship that our _____ has with God.

Amos 1-2 ; 2 Chronicles 7:12-14 ¹² Then the LORD appeared to Solomon at night and said to him, "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for Myself as a house of sacrifice. ¹³ If I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or if I command the locust to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among My people, ¹⁴ and My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

Exodus 20:12 ¹² "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you.

Psalms 50:4 He summons the heavens above, And the earth, to judge His people: 5 "Gather My godly ones to Me, Those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice." 6 And the heavens declare His righteousness, For God Himself is judge.

✓ If you see America as a nation who has an active covenant with God, you must work toward leading the nation to _____ that covenant.

II. The second way for God's people to carry out His call to be salt and light in the country in which they live is to call _____ to respond to God's invitation to salvation. When we understand that we live in Rome we expect no _____ from the culture or the government to make us holy or to protect our innocence. The focus of God's people when we see our country as Rome is to get individuals saved and _____ them.

Jeremiah 12:14-17 ¹⁴ Thus says the LORD concerning all My wicked neighbors who strike at the inheritance with which I have endowed My people Israel, "Behold I am about to uproot them from their land and will uproot the house of Judah from among them. ¹⁵ And it will come about that after I have uprooted them, I will again have compassion on them; and I will bring them back, each one to his inheritance and each one to his land. ¹⁶ Then if they will really learn the ways of My people, to swear by My name, 'As the LORD lives,' even as they taught My people to swear by Baal, they will be built up in the midst of My people. ¹⁷ But if they will not listen, then I will uproot that nation, uproot and destroy it," declares the LORD.

Romans 1:13-15

Romans 1:16-17 ¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, " BUT THE RIGHTEOUS man SHALL LIVE BY FAITH."

✓ Live your Christ-life _____ and winsomely with the people you personally touch.

Remember this - When a nation gives little real thought to God, God asks His people to focus on the salvation of the _____ they can touch.

Our challenge: Prayerfully consider how you should _____ your country to God.

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