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II. The FORTUNE Of The USA

- There is no question that the USA has achieved unprecedented power and prosperity among the nations of history
- The average American has a quality of life comparable in many ways to that of kings in the past
- It is safe to say that the majority of Americans living under the poverty line live a better quality of life than 50-66% of the rest of the world today, and 66-75% of those who lived throughout history
- The United States military is the most powerful the world has ever known
- Some believe it is just a matter of timing since the USA's ascension to power coincided with the inventions and technological advancements of the past 100 years
- Others believe it is the inevitable outcome of combining the ingredients of a democratic government, capitalistic economy, a creative and industrious workforce, and a humanistic society
- Still others believe it is some sort of “karma”; that the USA is getting a positive return for being a champion of individual liberties and freedoms

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- While these factors could result in a degree of prosperity they cannot account for the unprecedented level achieved by the USA
- Any honest and objective observation of history would conclude that divine providence has been at work in the ascension of the USA- truly GOD has blessed America!
- The Lord has not blessed the USA because he chose it from among all nations to be his nation, or because he has a covenant relationship with it
- He did this ONCE when he called Abraham out from among the nations and promised to make him (and his descendants through Isaac and Jacob) a great nation- the nation of ISRAEL

Gen 12:1-2

1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

2 And I will make of thee **a great nation**, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

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- The covenant God made with Abraham is UNCONDITIONAL; therefore, no nation, including the USA, has or ever will replace Israel as God's chosen people and nation
- Israel's covenant relationship with the Lord (i.e.- the Lord is THEIR God) is one of two things that makes their national greatness unique; the other is their stewardship of the word of God (i.e.- the word of God is the law of their lives and the law of THEIR LAND)

Deu 4:7-8,34

7 For what nation is there so great, who hath God so nigh unto them, as the LORD our God is in all *things that we call upon him for*?

8 And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

34 Or hath God assayed to go *and* take him a nation from the midst of another nation, by temptations, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by a stretched out arm, and by great terrors, according to all that the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?

Psa 147:20

He hath not dealt so with any nation: and *as for his judgments*, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

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- All nations, including the USA, are a drop in the bucket to the Lord and counted less than nothing

Isa 40:15,17

Behold, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing.

All nations before him *are* as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity.

- All this, yet it is still clear that the Lord has blessed the USA unlike any other Gentile nation in history, why?

1. The USA has FULFILLED the conditions for national blessing

1) Psalm 33:12

Psa 33:12

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

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- While this verse doctrinally refers to the nation of Israel, the promise of blessing is applicable to any nation that will revere, honor, and fear the Lord as the one true living God

1 Sam 2:30

Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed *that* thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from me; for **them that honour me I will honour**, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.

- This reverence, honor, and fear must also be extended to the Lord Jesus Christ because one cannot honor the Father unless they also honor the Son

John 5:23

That all *men* should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. **He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father** which hath sent him.

- Although most of the founding fathers and our historical leaders were lost they still had a reverence and fear for God, the Lord Jesus Christ, and the Bible

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“The Congress of the United States recommends and approves the Holy Bible for use in all schools.”- **United States Congress 1782**

“This is a Christian nation”- **United States Supreme Court Decision in Church of the Holy Trinity v. United States, 1892**

“It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor.”

“Oh, eternal and everlasting God, direct my thoughts, words and work. Wash away my sins in the immaculate blood of the Lamb and purge my heart by Thy Holy Spirit. Daily, frame me more and more in the likeness of Thy son, Jesus Christ, that living in Thy fear, and dying in Thy favor, I may in thy appointed time obtain the resurrection of the justified unto eternal life. Bless, O Lord, the whole race of mankind and let the world be filled with the knowledge of Thee and Thy son, Jesus Christ.”- **George Washington**

“I ... [rely] upon the merits of Jesus Christ for a pardon of all my sins.”

“We have this day [Fourth of July] restored the Sovereign to whom all men ought to be obedient. He reigns in Heaven, and from the rising to the setting of the sun, let His Kingdom come.”- **Samuel Adams**

“There is a book [the Bible] worth all the other books ever printed.”- **Patrick Henry**

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“I have examined all religions, and the result is that the Bible is the best book in the world”

“As the safety and prosperity of nations ultimately and essentially depend on the protection and the blessing of Almighty God, and the national acknowledgment of this truth is not only an indispensable duty which the people owe to Him.”- **John Adams**

“Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is their duty – as well as privilege and interest – of our Christian nation to select and prefer Christians for their rulers.”

“The Bible is the best of all books, for it is the word of God and teaches us the way to be happy in this world and in the next. Continue therefore to read it and to regulate your life by its precepts.”- **John Jay**

“...that all may bow to the scepter of our Lord Jesus Christ and that the whole Earth may be filled with his glory”.- **John Hancock**

“Cursed be all that learning that is contrary to the cross of Christ.”- **James Madison**

“[The Bible] is the rock on which our Republic rests.”- **Andrew Jackson**

“In regards to this great Book [the Bible], I have but to say it is the best gift God has given to man. All the good the Savior gave to the world was communicated through this Book. But for it we could not know right from wrong. All things most desirable for man’s welfare, here and hereafter, are found portrayed in it.”- **Abraham Lincoln**

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“I believe that the next half century will determine if we will advance the cause of Christian civilization or revert to the horrors of brutal paganism.”- **Theodore Roosevelt**

“[The United States is] founded on the principles of Christianity”- **Franklin D. Roosevelt**

“This is a Christian nation.”- **Harry S. Truman**

“Without God there could be no American form of government, nor an American way of life. Recognition of the Supreme Being is the first, the most basic, expression of Americanism. Thus, the founding fathers of America saw it, and thus with God’s help, it will continue to be.”- **Dwight D. Eisenhower**

“Of the many influences that have shaped the United States into a distinctive nation and people, none may be said to be more fundamental and enduring than the Bible.”

“The Bible and its teachings helped form the basis for the Founding Fathers’ abiding belief in the inalienable rights of the individual, rights which they found implicit in the Bible’s teachings of the inherent worth and dignity of each individual. This same sense of man patterned the convictions of those who framed the English system of law inherited by our own Nation, as well as the ideals set forth in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.”- **Ronald Reagan**

- No nation has more churches, printed and distributed more Bibles, sent more missionaries, and spread the gospel than the USA
- As a result, the Lord blessed the USA

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2) Proverbs 14:34

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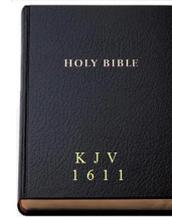
Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin *is* a reproach to any people.

- This verse promises exaltation to the nation that has a regard for righteousness
- For most of it's history, the USA was a moral beacon to the world
- The people of the USA understood the difference between good and evil, morality and immorality, righteousness and sin, and stood FOR righteousness and AGAINST sin
- The majority of lost people still held moral values and lived relatively moral lives out of respect and fear of the Lord and shame of living otherwise
- As a result, the Lord accepted and exalted the USA

Acts 10:35

But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

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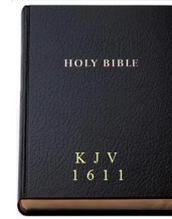
3) Genesis 12:3

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And **I will bless them that bless thee**, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

- This verse promises blessing to those who bless the Jewish people and the nation of Israel
- Throughout history, the Jewish people and the nation of Israel have not had a greater friend than the USA
- The USA opened it's arms to receive millions of Jewish immigrants, many of which were fleeing the rise of anti-Semitism in other nations
- The USA fought against Nazism and the horrors of the holocaust in WWII
- The USA was the first nation to formally recognize Israel when it became a nation in 1948 and took the lead in getting UN recognition soon thereafter
- Since then, there have been many times that the USA has been the only nation to stand by Israel's side

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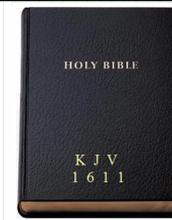


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- There are more Jews living in the USA (6.6 million) than any other nation in the world except Israel (7 million)
- The USA has sided with Israel in all of the wars with it's Muslim neighbors and been it's primary supplier of arms
- As a result, the Lord blessed the USA
- But lost people do not naturally revere the Lord (Psa 33:12), regard righteousness (Pro 14:34), and respect the nation of Israel (Gen 12:3), so there must be another cause, something deeper, that has historically influenced the convictions and conversation of the nation

2. The church has been **FAITHFUL** to it's calling

- The **PROSPERITY** of the USA is not it's only unprecedented characteristic, so also is it's **PEOPLE**
- From it's formation to the present day, no single nation in history has ever been home to such a large concentration and proportion of born-again Christians than the USA



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