

“A Biblical Guide to National Greatness”

(Sunday Morning July 6th, 2025)

Passage: 2 Chronicles 7:14

1 Chron 29:11-12 “11 Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, indeed everything that is in the heavens and the earth; Yours is the dominion, O Lord, and You exalt Yourself as head over all. 12 Both riches and honor come from You, and You rule over all, and in Your hand is power and might; and it lies in Your hand to make great...”

Job 12:23 “He (God) makes nations great, and destroys them; He enlarges nations and guides them”
Acts 17:24-26 (Reference)

If we all want to do our part to make America great again, we need to start by seeking the counsel of the G_____ of H_____, because He is the one who has the ability to make a nation great.

I. A Great Nation is a H_____ Nation

1) If My People...

John 1:12; Titus 2:14; 1 Pet 2:10 (References)

Titus 2:14 “...(Jesus) gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds”

If a national revival isn't happening, it won't do us any good to point to anyone other than o_____, because this is where it must start.

1 Pet 4:17 “For it is time for judgment to begin with the household of God;...”

Matt 5:13-14 “You (Christians) are the Salt of the Earth, and You (Christians) are the Light of the World”

2) ...Who are Called by My Name

Ps 33:12 “Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,...”

The Psalmist wasn't referring to the Nation of Israel in that verse; the word for “Nation” that he used refers to a G_____ (Non-Jewish) nation.

3) ...Will Humble Themselves

Isa 31:1 “Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help and rely on horses, and trust in chariots because they are many and in horsemen because they are very strong, but they do not look to the Holy One of Israel, nor seek the LORD!”

There are five National Revivals described for us in this book (2 Chronicles), and each of them emphasizes one p_____ of this verse.

2 Chron 12:1-7; 34:2-3 (References)

II. A Great Nation is a P_____ Nation

1) ...and Pray

There are twelve words in the Hebrew Old Testament for prayer, and this is somewhat unique, because it means "To Habitually J_____ One's Self."

Ps 139:23-24 "23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my anxious thoughts; 24 And see if there be any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way"

2) ...and Seek My Face...

The Bible tells us in *Ezekiel 22:30* that o_____ p_____ interceding for a nation could be the very thing that would hold back God's judgment.

Eze 22:30 "I searched for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand in the gap before Me for the land, so that I would not destroy it; but I found no one"

III. A Great Nation is a S_____ Nation

1) ...and Turn From Their Wicked Ways

This writer is saying that we must be committed to h_____ l_____ in order for a National Revival to come.

Matt 5:13 "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men"

2) ...Then, I Will Hear From Heaven...

This statement reminds us of the fact that prayer, without r_____, is a colossal waste of time.

James 5:16 "The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective" (NIV)

Luke 18:6-8 "6...'Hear what the unrighteous judge said; 7 now, will not God bring about justice for His elect who cry to Him day and night, and will He delay long over them? 8 "I tell you that He will bring about justice for them quickly..."

IV. A Great Nation is a B_____ Nation

1) ...and I Will Heal Their Land

Prov 14:34 "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people"

If more Americans would start living holy lives, our h_____ i_____ premiums would go down dramatically.

Eze 16:49 "Behold, this was the guilt of your sister Sodom: she and her daughters had arrogance, abundant food and careless ease, but she did not help the poor and needy"

Jer 18:7-8 "7...if I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, 8 and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned"

Ps 103:3 "(God)...pardons all of our iniquities, and He heals all of our diseases"