

Wise As Serpents  
Christian Nation  
Ephesians 5:15-17  
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**2 Corinthians 8:20-21** *We want to avoid any criticism of the way we administer this liberal gift. For we are taking pains to do what is right, not only in the eyes of the Lord but also in the eyes of men.*

**Ephesians 5:15-17** *So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do.*

Take Stock of Our Blessings: Amos 5:14-15, Zech. 7:9, 1 Tim. 2:1-4, Jer. 29:7

We have \_\_\_\_\_ Romans 13:4, Leviticus 25:10

We have built in \_\_\_\_\_ Jeremiah 17:9

**Psalm 106:26** *Therefore he raised his hand and swore to them that he would make them fall in the wilderness,*

**Isaiah 62:8** *The Lord has sworn by his right hand and by his mighty arm...*

**Deuteronomy 10:20** *You must fear the Lord your God and worship him and cling to him. Your oaths must be in his name alone.*

We are accountable for our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ before \_\_\_\_\_

**Exodus 18:20-22** *Teach them God's decrees, and give them his instructions. Show them how to conduct their lives. But select from all the people some capable, honest men who fear God and hate bribes. Appoint them as leaders over groups of one thousand, one hundred, fifty, and ten. They should always be available to solve the people's common disputes, but have them bring the major cases to you. Let the leaders decide the smaller matters themselves. They will help you carry the load, making the task easier for you.*

**Deuteronomy 17:14-15** *"You are about to enter the land the Lord your God is giving you. When you take it over and settle there, you may think, 'We should select a king to rule over us like the other nations around us.' If this happens, be sure to select as king the man the Lord your God chooses. You must appoint a fellow Israelite; he may not be a foreigner.*

We are to have \_\_\_\_\_

We have \_\_\_\_\_ Ezekiel 18:20

Bottom Line: Give \_\_\_\_\_ to God as you \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_