

## Results of Opposing God

**Sodom's Destruction:** Two angels, *who appeared as men*, came to Sodom to visit Lot: **Genesis 19:4-5** ...the men of Sodom, surrounded the house, both young and old... and they called to Lot..., "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may have relations with them. // The angels said: **13** "...we are about to destroy this place, because their outcry has become so great before the LORD that the LORD has sent us to destroy it." // *The devastation was horrible*; see the [9-10-22 sermon](#).

**God Gave Them Over:** **Romans 1:25-27** ...they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator... For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another, men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error. // *Learn more*, see these two sermons: [6-25-00](#) and [7/2/00](#).

**God's Warning:** **1 Corinthians 6:9-10** ...Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God. // *V. 11 has good news for the repentant!* Learn more, see the [7-10-22 sermon](#).

## Growing LGBTQ Support

**Same Sex Marriage:** American support for same sex marriage has risen **from 27%** in 1996 to **70%** in 2021 (Gallup).

**Affirming Denominations:** Over 40 in the US affirm the LGBTQ lifestyle.

**Major Corporations:** More than 500 in the US are supporting LGBTQ.

**Girl Scouts:** They have a LGBTQ Pride Month Celebration Fun Patch (*American Heritage Girls is a Christian organization*).

**Govt:** On 6-10-23 Joe Biden hosted the largest Pride celebration in White House history and [flew the LGBTQ flag in the center and equal to two American flags](#).

## Good Ways to Go Forward

1. **Respect God by Believing His Word:** **2 Timothy 3:16** All Scripture is inspired by God...
2. **Believe that Jesus Is Our Sinless Substitute:** **Hebrews 4:15** [Jesus] has been tempted in all things as *we are*, yet without sin.
3. **Believe that Jesus Received Our Sins and Our Punishment, then He Laid Down His Life:** **1 John 2:2** [Jesus] is the [way of forgiveness] for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for *those of the whole world*.
4. **Believe that Jesus Is Ruling from Paradise and Will Come Again:** **Rev. 1:5** Jesus Christ [is] the ruler of the kings of the earth. // **Rev. 22:12** "Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward *is* with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done.

5. **Confess All Sins:** **1 John 1:9** If we confess our sins, [God] is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
6. **Trust in Jesus for Eternal Life:** **John 14:6** Jesus said..., "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."
7. **Thank and Honor Our Great God by Living for Jesus:** **2 Corinthians 5:15** ...He died for all, so that they who live [through Jesus] might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

## Conclusion

Pray that the Holy Spirit will ♦lead many to repent (*have godly sorrow and trust in Jesus for heaven*), ♦help us to be a God-honoring nation, and ♦bless the USA again!



Bible References: New American Standard Bible, 1995

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# Is LGBTQ Good for the USA?

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer



## Introduction

**Dear Friend:** In the USA, *over the past few decades*, a multitude of ♦individuals, ♦churches, ♦schools, ♦universities, ♦sports, ♦corporations, and ♦politicians have come to accept, support, and/or participate in the LGBTQ movement.

- Is that a good trend for our nation?
- Where does God stand on the topic?
- Is the growing support moving God to bless or curse our nation?
- Has God made the way for *everyone* to receive His gift of forgiveness?

**Please keep reading to learn more about:**

- ➔ Basic Bible truth
- ➔ Our nation's Christian beginning
- ➔ Our nation's present trouble
- ➔ Our nation's path to blessing

## Basic Bible Truth

**God Made the World:** **Genesis 1:1** In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

**God Made the People:** **Genesis 1:27** God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

**God Established Each Nation:** **Acts 17:26** "...He made from one *man* every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth..."

**God Gave Instructions:** For example, the Ten Commandments (Ex. 20; Deut. 5).

**God Made the Way to Eternal Life:** **John 3:16** "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

([The Bible Is True – Check Out the Evidence!](#))

## The Founding of Our Nation

**Library of Congress:** "Many of the British North American colonies that eventually formed the United States of America were settled in the seventeenth century by men and women, who, in the face of European persecution, refused to compromise passionately held religious convictions and fled Europe."

**Cambridge University:** "Christianity and the Bible have left a distinct and significant mark on American

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.siasat.com/why-does-us-lose-all-its-wars-bbc-analysis-2186400/>

jurisprudence [that is, knowing and applying the law]. Indeed, Christian influences were woven into the common law the colonists brought with them from England and the laws the colonists framed once they arrived in the New World."

**In summary:** Many who settled in America had strong Christian beliefs, so many of the laws were based on the Bible.

## We Slowly Cancelled God

- **1962** – Prayer is removed from public schools.
- **1963** – The Bible is removed from public schools.
- **1973** – The killing of preborn babies is legalized.
- **1980** – The Ten Commandments are removed from public schools.
- **1987** – Creation and God are removed from public schools.
- **2011** – LGBTQ history is required teaching in public schools.

## We Are So Confused

- **Evolution** – No God, no right or wrong, no purpose, and no eternity!
- **Abortion** – Life is not a precious gift!
- **Marriage** – Sex before marriage and same sex marriage are fine!
- **Gender** – There is no God, so you can identify as anything: [LGBTQ2SIA+](#)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2014/12/22/less-than-half-of-u-s-kids-today-live-in-a-traditional-family/>

## An Ancient Israel Example

The LORD gave this warning to the descendants of Israel before they entered the Promised Land: **Leviticus 20:22** "You are... to keep all My statutes and all My ordinances and do them, so that the land to which I am bringing you to live will not spew you out."

Centuries later, due to the growing wickedness of the Israelites:

- **931 BC** – When King Solomon died, God divided the nation of Israel.
- **721 BC** – The Northern Kingdom of Israel fell to the Assyrians.
- **586 BC** – The Southern Kingdom of Judah fell to the Babylonians.

The Bible explains what happened: **2 Kings 17:18-20** ...the LORD was very angry with Israel and removed them from His sight... Also, Judah did not keep the commandments of the LORD their God but walked in the customs which Israel had introduced. The LORD rejected all the descendants of Israel and afflicted them and gave them into the hand of plunderers, until He had cast them out of His sight.

Opposing God Will  
NEVER Turn Out Well  
for Anyone!

<sup>3</sup> <https://news.gallup.com/poll/341963/church-membership-falls-below-majority-first-time.aspx>

<sup>4</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crime\\_in\\_the\\_United\\_States#](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crime_in_the_United_States#):

## Results of Cancelling God

**In War We Are Losing:** "The US had won almost all the major wars it fought before 1945. However, ...America fought five major wars after 1945 including Korea, Vietnam, Gulf War, Iraq, and Afghanistan... Except for the Gulf War in 1991, America lost all other wars."<sup>1</sup>

**Traditional Families Are Declining:** Regarding children living with their married parents in their first marriage: 73% in 1960, but down to 46% in 2013.<sup>2</sup>

**Church Membership Is Dropping:** Among US adults, 70% in 2000 but down to 47% in 2020.<sup>3</sup>

**Violent Crime Is Increasing:** It "nearly quadrupled between 1960 and... 1991."<sup>4</sup> Removing prayer, Bible, 10 Comm., and God has been a disaster for the USA!

**LGBTQ Self-Identification Is Increasing:** Among those born prior to 1946, only 0.8%, but now 20.8% for those born between 1997 and 2003, an increase of **2,600%**.<sup>5</sup>

**Why the increase?** "Laws prohibiting homosexual activity have been struck down; lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals can now serve openly in the military. And same-sex couples can now legally get married and adopt children in all 50 states."<sup>6</sup> **Less morality and greater acceptance has resulted in greater participation!**

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.axios.com/2022/02/17/lgbtq-generation-z-gallup>

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.history.com/topics/gay-rights/history-of-gay-rights>