

- **Jeremiah 1:5** “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you.”
- **Exodus 20:13** “You shall not murder.”

Dear LORD: As false worship in the OT led to human sacrifice, *so immoral sex in America has led to abortion.* ♦Show us the evil we have legalized, ♦overwhelm us with sorrow, ♦forgive us in Christ, and ♦turn us to cherish human life!

4 – **STOP** These Other Sinful Practices

- **The Breakdown of Marriage and Family:** **Malachi 2:15** “Take heed... to your spirit and let no one deal treacherously against the wife of your youth.”
- **Pride and Self-Rule:** **Judges 21:25** “...everyone did what was right in his own eyes.”
- **Greed and Materialism:** **1 Timothy 6:9-10** “...those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith...”
- **Dishonesty and Corruption:** **Proverbs 11:1** “A false balance is an abomination to the LORD...”
- **False Religion and Idolatry** – *anything that replaces God as the object of trust and worship:* **Exodus 20:3** “You shall have no other gods...”

- **Refusal to Repent:** **Luke 13:3** “...unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.”

Dear LORD: Your word is always right and best, so work through **the Law** to expose all sin and work godly sorrow. Then work through **the Gospel** to enable many to †receive the Christ and †rejoice in Your gifts of forgiveness, spiritual life, and eternal salvation!

Hopeful in THE CHRIST

Our Hope Is Not America: America cannot save us. Politics cannot save us.

This World Is Temporary: Nations come and go, *but God’s word stands forever!*

The Church’s Primary Message Is Christ: **1 Cor. 1:23** “We preach Christ crucified.”

- **Jesus** is the Son of God in flesh!
- **Jesus** ♦lived sinlessly – *in our place*, ♦died sacrificially – *to take away our sins*, and ♦is now risen and reigning!
- **Jesus** is offering everyone the gift of eternal life!

As We Celebrate Our 250th Anniversary: We desperately need the Almighty God – *by His Spirit through His word* – to work radical changes in our **minds** and **hearts**:

- To show us our sins!
- To fill us with Godly sorrow!
- To save all sinners through Jesus!
- To align ♦us, ♦our families, ♦our churches, ♦our communities, ♦our states, and ♦our nation with the full truth of the Bible!

Conclusion

We Give Thanks to the Almighty God:

- For victory over the British!
- For wise and godly leaders!
- For strong and courageous soldiers!
- For powerful weapons of war!
- For victory over many enemies!
- For law, order, and peace!
- For freedom to share God’s truth!

We Pray for Politicians at every level to make decisions that ♦agree with God’s word, ♦are financially responsible, and ♦are in the best interests of our citizens!

We Pray for Repentance in every heart!

We Pray for Spiritual Sight so everyone can see ♦God’s truth, ♦God’s love, and ♦God’s gift of eternal life through Jesus!

We Pray for Spiritual Transformation as the Holy Spirit does His powerful work *through Law and Gospel* to bring many into God’s kingdom!

Psalm 33:12 “Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD...”

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Introduction

Dear Fellow American!

Through the providence and blessing of **the Almighty God**, the United States of America ♦was established and ♦has been sustained for the past **250 years!**

This Brochure Includes Three Parts:

- Thankful for the Past!
- Repentant for the Present!
- Hopeful in the Christ!

Thankful for THE PAST

The American Revolutionary War

The War: It was fought between the thirteen colonies and Great Britain, beginning in April **1775**, with the battles of Lexington and Concord (both in eastern MA) and ending with British defeat in **1783** at Yorktown (on the coast of VA).

- **Daniel 2:21** “The LORD removes kings and establishes kings.”

The Reasons for the War: The colonies fought primarily over issues of political freedom and justice, including ♦taxation without representation, ♦restrictions on self-government, and ♦perceived violations of their rights as English subjects. Many colonists believed they were resisting unjust authority and defending liberty.

- **Acts 5:29** “We must obey God rather than men.”

The Unlikelihood of Victory: At the start of the war, the colonies were at a major disadvantage. Britain had ♦the world’s strongest navy, ♦a professional army, ♦greater financial resources, and ♦global reach. The colonies had ☹no established national army, ☹limited supplies, and ☹no international support at first. Most observers expected a swift British victory.

- **Proverbs 21:31** “The horse is made ready for the day of battle, but victory belongs to the LORD.”

God’s Gift of Victory: The eventual victory of the colonies is often understood by

Christians as an example of God’s providential rule over nations. Through key events such as ♦the alliance with France, ♦strategic endurance, and ♦the final victory at Yorktown, the outcome shifted in a way few expected, *which reflects God’s hidden governance of history* – not favoritism toward a nation, but God’s sovereign ability to ♦humble the strong and ♦preserve His purposes.

- **Daniel 4:17** “The Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom He will.”

Our Proper Response: Those events should lead not to **national pride**, but to **humility and repentance before God**. Any national blessing is ultimately **received**, not earned. God calls all nations to ♦repent and ♦trust Him. Our ultimate hope is not in national strength, but in Christ who alone is **the Savior of sinners** and **the true hope of every nation!**

- **Acts 17:30** “[God] commands all people everywhere to repent.”

A Change of Minds and Hearts: Consider these words of John Adams – who ♦signed the declaration, ♦served as the first Vice President and second President, ♦was the father of John Quincy Adams – the sixth President, and ♦died on the 50th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence: The American Revolution took place “in the **minds and hearts of the people**” – a “**radical Change in the Principles, Opinions, [Feelings], and [Love] of the People... was the real American Revolution**” (Imprimis, 6,7,26).

Repentant for THE PRESENT

Important Facts to Understand

God’s Law Is True for Every Nation: God’s moral will cannot be revised by societies. When societies ignore God’s Word, confusion follows. For example:

- **Proverbs 29:18** “Where there is no vision [no respect for God’s word], the people are unrestrained.” // *Lawless!*
- **Hosea 4:1** “...the LORD has a case against the inhabitants of the land, because there is no faithfulness or kindness or knowledge of God...” // *Such is becoming true of Americans!*

God’s Law Reveals Sin in Every Culture: All nations drift when God is ignored. The **Romans Chapter 1** downward spiral:

1. God’s truth is suppressed.
2. Evolution is embraced.
3. Homosexuality is accepted.
4. Punishment is promised.

Important Ways to Repent

Our Sinful Hearts Naturally Desire to Sin:

When ♦US laws legalize sin **or** when ♦US churches encourage sin (*or no longer speak against sin*), multitudes are led ☹into sin and ☹away from the Christ. Here are a few examples...

1 – STOP Reversing Good and Evil

Bible: God condemns government systems that redefine evil as good:

- **Isaiah 5:20** “Woe to those who call evil good and good evil.” // “Woe” is

one of the *strongest expressions* of warning and impending judgment!

- **Isaiah 10:1–2** “Woe to those who enact evil statutes and to those who constantly record unjust decisions...”

Dear LORD: Strongly compel all American politicians and judges to ♦**START** fearing You and respecting Your word, ♦**STOP** calling evil good, and ♦**START** serving to Your glory and the benefit of our citizens!

2 – STOP Soul-Destroying Sexual Activity

So immoral and yet so common: Among ♦all adults: **60%**; ♦unmarried adults: **70%**; ♦cohabitating couples: **90%** (1 Peter 2:11)

Huge Problem: 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 “Do not be deceived;

- neither fornicators [sex when unmarried],
- ...nor adulterers [sex with someone else],
- nor effeminate [the passive partner],
- nor homosexuals [the active partner] ... will inherit the kingdom of God.”

Bible: Marriage is for male and female; sexual activity is reserved for marriage. God’s truth, godly sorrow, and repentance are essential for life and salvation!

Dear LORD: Since You have bought us with a *tremendous price*, we belong to You, so help us to glorify You in our bodies!

3 – STOP Murdering the Innocent

Highest cause of death in the US:

Abortion = 1 million/year (second highest: heart disease = 700,000/year).

Bible: Life is ♦created by God and ♦precious in His sight: