



Doing 2021 God's Way

Ok, so we have made it to the second week of 2021. Obviously, this New Year is not just another year, either. What we witnessed in our country's capitol yesterday evening - 01/06/2021 - must never be accepted as honorable by any Freedom Loving American. To violently breach our Nation's Capitol, "The People's House", in the name of Patriotism, was to say the least - **Dishonorable** - **Disheartening** and most **Definitely Un-American**. As a former Combat Marine, "Yet Always a Marine" - I looked on with disgust and unbelief. I witnessed our "National Flag's Colors" being paraded dishonorably by a mob of undisciplined Insurgents, rebelling against the very principals that Flag represents. Either carry and display the American Flag with honor, or don't carry it at all. Those "Colors" have led many freedom loving Americans into combat against our Enemies, but Never against our Own Law Enforcement and Political leaders. They are not the Enemy. I am proud of my Christian Beliefs. I am proud to call myself a Conservative American. But, I take no pride whatsoever in the actions of a group of Dishonorable Rebels bent on destruction - or any of the political leaders who support such Insurrection.

So "Where do we go from here"? Throughout history Nations have *risen to greatness and fallen in disgrace*. Great Godly leaders along with Tyrannical leaders have come and gone. Plagues and Devastating Diseases have formed and faded from generation to generation. But remember this - What God establishes remains forever. As each of us *think* on these matters let us **concentrate** on what can be positive for 2021. Perhaps we should "Think" more Godly thoughts in the days to come.

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or praiseworthy — think about such things." Phil 4:8 NIV

I know I shared this Scripture last week. But, you will have to admit that this type of thinking is certainly the opposite of most of the thinking in 2020 or yesterday. But, aren't you getting tired of allowing others, or current circumstances and events, to control what your mood for the day is going to be? That amounts to the outside world controlling our inside life. That ought never to be allowed to happen within the Christian Spirit. I guarantee that the majority of us have allowed the negative actions of the world personalities, to cause us to have multiple **bad 2020 days**. But, let that be past tense. Each of us need to prepare our heart and mind for a 2021 Victory in Jesus. Christians, let us focus on **DOING THE REMAINDER OF 2021 - GOD'S WAY!**

Therefore, **prepare** your minds for action; be **self-controlled**; set your **hope** fully on the **grace** to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed. As **obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance**. 1 Peter 1:13-14 NIV

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