

# **An Urgent Proclamation to the Church in America**

## **A Call to SOLEMN ASSEMBLY (Joel 1:14)**

### **Whereas:**

**Our Sovereign God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ** has commanded all people everywhere to repent of sin. He requires all men and nations to believe the Gospel, worship Him & obey His eternal Law. He has promised to bless those nations which obey Him but to curse those which do not (Gen 1:1; Lev 26; Dt 28; Ps 9:17; Is 45:5-7; 24:12; Acts 17:30-31).

**Our Forefathers** shed their blood to leave us a heritage of faith, religious freedom, political liberty & material blessing (Lk 12:48).

**God Himself** has blessed our nation with every possible benefit (Dt 28:1-13; Josh 24:13; Ps 33:12; Is 5:4).

**Our Generation** has been entrusted to steward this heritage and pass it on, unsquandered, to our children (Dt 4:31; Neh 4:14; Pr 13:22; Lam 1:16; Mal 4:6; 2 Cor 12:14).

**As God's People, the Church,** we are called to be a peculiar people who love God with all our hearts, live distinctively holy lives, train our families in Godliness, witness to our neighbors & disciple our countrymen in the ways of God. We "are the salt of the earth & the light of the world" (Dt 6:5-9; Mt 5:13-16).

**As a Prophetic People** we are called to care for the spiritual condition of our country, to pray for all, to protect the weak, to seek justice for the innocent, to defend the poor; but equally to resist the oppressor, rebuke the disobedient & urgently warn the spiritually negligent (be they kings, priests or common men) of the dangers and judgments awaiting those who refuse to repent & turn to the living God (Ps 94:16; Is 56:10-11; Eze 3:17-19; Dan 11:32; Amos 3:7-8; 5:24).

**As a People of the Word** we are called to build our nation & its God-given institutions upon the righteous foundations of His eternal Law lest we be overtaken by wicked ideologies & fall prey to the control of profane & depraved men (Ps 11:3; 33:12; 127:1; Pr 14:34; Lk 6:47-49; 1 Cor 3:11-13).

**As Free Christian Citizens** we are called to establish righteous civil government: to pray, vote, boldly proclaim God's Word in the public square and openly support & elect Godly officials. We are charged to publicly denounce, withstand & defeat officials who despoil our Godly heritage or defy God's eternal law by their public actions or private behavior (Ex 18:21; Dt 18:15, 18-20; Pr 28:4; 29:2; Is 33:22; 59:14; Eze 33:1-11).

**However,** we have forsaken our First Love. We, our families, our churches and our spiritual & political leaders have turned our backs on Him. We have grown lukewarm & indifferent to sin. We have tolerated and even participated in the dominant evils of our sin-filled age. We have disdained our Godly Forefathers by forfeiting their costly legacy and defrauded our children by wasting their inheritance. We have despised our Nation's Founders by passively permitting the true record of their faith, vision & sacrifice (History) to be maliciously rewritten & eradicated from the collective memory of our people. We have committed treason against God & our countrymen by apathetically permitting God's enemies systematically to remove His Law & Word from public life, thereby destroying the foundations of our society. We have betrayed ours & future generations by failing to be the "salt & light" God made us to be. We have not prayed, cared, protected, defended, nor sought justice for the needy as we ought. Neither have we resisted oppressors or warned the negligent & disobedient. We are guilty before God and man (Jdg 2:10; Ps 11:3; Pr 29:13; Jer 2:19-32; Dan 9:3-19; Rom 1:28-32).

**Thus, Confusion has overtaken us,** our families are broken and our communities are torn. Our civil servants and magistrates, ordained to protect the innocent and punish evildoers, have become corrupt lords and tyrants who shamelessly lie, crush us with confiscatory taxes, suffocate us with oppressive regulation, bankrupt our nation with profligate spending and control our thoughts with anti-Christ intimidation. Yet we affirm & reaffirm them. Our churches are impotent and our pastors are mute. Godlessness, pride, dishonesty, injustice, fornication, abortion, homosexuality, pornography, divorce, child abuse, parental neglect, violence, murder, suicide, drug abuse, greedy materialism, and covenant-breaking define our national character. God's curses for disobedience have progressively come upon us, yet we stubbornly refuse to repent (Ex 5:6-14; Dt 28:14-68; Pr 6:17; Rom 13:3-4; Rev 2:5, 16; 3:3, 19).

**If We continue in this Path** we will be utterly destroyed. No man can save us. But if we will meet God's conditions, there is still hope (Dt 8:19-20; Josh 24:20; Ezra 10:1-3; Ps 9:17; Is 5:5-6; Jonah 3:8-10).

### **Therefore:**

**Considering the urgency of the hour, as believers in Our Lord Jesus Christ, clearly instructed by God's Word, we hereby Summon the Elders & All Who Live in the Land who are moved by God's Word & Spirit to come to**

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(church, county, city or other covenantal entity) & the Church & America that His forgiveness, favor and renewed blessing might be granted to us all (1 Kg 8:22-53; 2 Chr 7:14; Neh 4:14; Joel 1:14; 2:12-18).