

HOW TO IMPACT AMERICA

(PART 1)

One Nation Under God

Psalm 33:8-22

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People that live in faith and obedience to God bring blessing on their nation.

* A nation under God:

1. **Lives with _____ for _____.**

Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the people of the world revere him. Psalm 33:8

The LORD foils the plans of the nations; He thwarts the purposes of the peoples. But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever, the purposes of His heart through all generations. Psalm 33:10-11

Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket; they are regarded as dust on the scales; He weighs the islands as though they were fine dust. Isaiah 40:15

2. **Depends on the _____ instead of on its _____.**

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he chose for his inheritance. Psalm 33:12

No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength. A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; despite all its great strength it cannot save. Psalm 33:16-17

Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God. Psalm 20:7

See Romans 13:1-7 for God's perspective on government.

This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, who give their full time to governing. Give everyone what you owe him: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. Romans 13:6-7

I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. 1 Timothy 2:1-2

3. **Experiences the _____ and _____ of God.**

But the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear Him, on those whose hope is in His unfailing love, to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine. Psalm 33:18-19

We wait in hope for the LORD; He is our help and our shield. Psalm 33:20

Having a spiritual impact as a Christian in America...

1. There is an unbiblical but popular myth that says that “religion and politics do not mix.” The Bible teaches that our faith in God should very much impact our thinking about God and government. How would a biblical faith perspective change your thinking about America?
2. What do you trust in—God or government? Think about the subtle ways we are conditioned by culture to trust in government instead of in God. Guard your heart against these influences.
3. How often do you pray for government leaders? Make a commitment to pray regularly for President Obama and other government leaders (National, State, and Local). Through prayer we are serving those that serve God as government workers.