

The Final Countdown – Rise of Wickedness

Part 1

“It was a sunny morning in the Big Forest and the Bear family is just waking up. So Baby Bear goes downstairs and sits in his small chair at the table. But he looks into his bowl and notices that it’s empty.

So he squeaks, ‘Who’s been eating my porridge?’

Well, next Poppa Bear arrives at the table and sits in his big chair. And he too looks into his big bowl and sees that it’s empty as well!

So he roars, ‘Who’s been eating my porridge?’

Well, at this, the Momma Bear puts her head out from the kitchen and yells, ‘For Pete’s sake, how many times do we have to go through this?’

It was Momma Bear who go up first.

It was Momma Bear who unloaded the dishwasher from last night and put everything away.

It was Momma Bear who set the table.

It was Momma Bear who put the cat out, cleaned the litter box and filled the cat’s water & food dish.

And now that you’ve decided to come down stairs and grace me with your presence....

Listen good because I’m only going to say this one more time.....I haven’t made the porridge yet!!!”

Now folks, how many of you’d say that that Mommy Bear was just a little bit on the edge there, you know what I’m saying? Uh huh! She was having a serious **rough day**, wasn’t she? But that’s right folks, believe it or

not, did you know there's an even rougher day than that one coming down the pike? Uh huh! And it's going to happen at the rapture of the Church! And the reason why it's going to be a rough one is because for those who refuse to accept Jesus Christ as their Personal Lord and Savior, they will be catapulted into the 7-year Tribulation and it's not a joke! It's an outpouring of God's wrath on a wicked and rebellious planet. In fact Jesus said in **Matthew 24** it's going to be a "time of greater horror than anything the world has ever seen or will ever see again. And that "unless that time of calamity is shortened, the entire human race will be destroyed." But praise God, God's not only a God of wrath, He's a God of love as well. And **because He loves you and I**, He's given us many warning signs to show us when the Tribulation was near and Jesus Christ's 2nd Coming was rapidly approaching.

Therefore, in order to keep you and I from experiencing the ultimate bad day of being left behind, you don't need to be a detective to figure this out folks, we're going to continue in our series **The Final Countdown**. And so far we've already seen how the **#10** sign on **The Final Countdown** was **The Jewish People**. The **#9** sign was **Modern Technology**. The **#8** sign was **Worldwide Upheaval**. And **last seven times** we saw how the **#7** sign was **The Rise of Falsehood**. And what we saw there was that God lovingly

foretold you and I that when we see an **Increase of False Christs, False Myths, False Teachings** and tons of **False Prophets** spreading New Age lies in the Church like, Hollywood, Environmentalism, Food & Population Control and last time with lie of UFO's Aliens to explain away the rapture of the Church, uh, guess what? It's an indicator from God **you're living in the last days!** It's time to get motivated!

But that's right, believe it or not folks, that's still not the only sign God has given us. The **#6** sign on **The Final Countdown** is none other then **The Rise of Wickedness**. What? You mean to tell me in the Last Days that people would get really really wicked before Jesus comes back? Uh huh!

But don't take my word for it. Let's listen to God's.

2 Timothy 3:1-5 "But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God – having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them."

Now folks, according to our text there, one of the major characteristics of society in the last days, is one that would be filled with what? Absolute unadulterated wickedness, right? What did it say there? In the Last Days people would be, in a nutshell, selfish, greedy, boastful, prideful, abusive, disobedient, ungrateful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving,

slanderous, out-of-control, brutal, evil, treacherous, rash, and conceited! Whew! Good thing we don't see any signs of that ever happening! Yeah, right! Folks, if you're paying attention, **every single one** of those wicked behaviors is **commonplace** in our society **right now**! Which means we're living in the Last Days society that the Bible talks about!

And once again, the skeptic's going to say something like, "Come on! We've always had wicked behavior." And yes, granted, throughout history, since the fall of man, we've always had some form of wicked behavior. But what's **not common** is how **in the last century alone**, that there has been a literal explosion of **every single one** of these wicked behaviors that Paul listed here. And it's only getting worse. In fact, let's take a look at the change of behavior in America in **just the last few decades** and you tell me if there isn't a clear Rise of Wickedness.

Leading Public School Disciplinary Problems

Mid-1940's

- 1) Talking
- 2) Chewing Gum
- 3) Making Noise
- 4) Running in the Hallways
- 5) Getting Out of Place in Line
- 6) Wearing Improper Clothing
- 7) Not Putting Paper in Wastebaskets

Mid-1980's

- 1) Drug Abuse
- 2) Alcohol Abuse
- 3) Pregnancy
- 4) Suicide
- 5) Rape
- 6) Robbery
- 7) Assault

Now I don't know about you guys, but **in the last few decades**, it sure sounds like there's been a massive **Rise of Wickedness** hasn't there? Just

like the Bible said would happen when you're living in the Last Days! In fact, if we're honest with ourselves, it's getting so bad and so commonplace that **we're no longer even shocked** at this kind of wickedness because it's now considered the norm. We expect it. And it's getting worse by the day. You can't go to the movies without getting shot! You can't walk down the street without getting assaulted and we even have people now eating other people's faces off! And we act like it's no big deal...what else is on? Let's check out the weather channel. And lest we forget how rotten things are, we're reminded daily of it on every single news station, twenty-four hours a day, **YET**, here's the point. Hardly anyone recognizes the prophetic significance of it! How do I know that I'm living in the Last Days? Just turn on your TV! This absolute unadulterated wickedness that's being reported every single day around the world is one of the clearest signs that we are living in the Last Days.

But the question is, "How could there be such an explosion of wickedness in such a short amount of time, especially in America with our godly heritage? How could a Christian nation turn from loving God to...**this**?" Well first of all, let's back up the train a little bit and demonstrate that we really did have a godly heritage as our foundation here in America. And I say that because the skeptics going to say that America was never a

Christian nation in the first place, but that's not true. The skeptic says, "Oh no! Our Founding Fathers demanded a **separation of Church and state** which has come to mean basically, "Keep Christianity out at all costs!" But folks, that's a lie! The next time someone says "separation of Church and state" and say that's what our founding fathers wanted **challenge them!** Ask them. "Where does that appear in the Bill of Rights? Where does that phrase **separation of church and state** appear in our Constitution?" It isn't there! It came from a letter from Thomas Jefferson in 1802 to the Danbury Baptists of Connecticut who were concerned that another **Christian denomination** called the Congregationalists, were going to become the official **Christian denomination** of the United States. Notice the whole time the context is **Christian** and Christianity. Not Buddhism, not Islam, not Eastern Mysticism, and everything under the sun! When they talked about religion, they were referring to Christianity! And Jefferson simply referred to them to the first amendment, that reads, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, (Christianity) or prohibiting the free exercise thereof..." In other words, Jefferson had full confidence that the "original intent" of the first amendment that would insure that no "Christian denomination would be chosen to be the official Christian denomination of the United States. That's it! That's what he meant by the phrase there,

separation of Church and state. It had nothing to do with keep Christianity out. In fact, if you look at their words, you'll see they clearly wanted to keep Christianity in!

John Adams: “The general principles on which the fathers achieved independence were the general principles of Christianity. Without religion, this world would be something not fit to be mentioned in polite company: I mean hell. The Christian religion is, above all the religions that ever prevailed or existed in ancient or modern times, the religion of wisdom, virtue, equity and humanity.”

John Quincy Adams: “My hopes of a future life are all founded upon the Gospel of Christ. In the chain of human events, the birthday of the nation is indissolubly linked with the birthday of the Savior. The Declaration of Independence laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity.

Patrick Henry: “Being a Christian is a character which I prize far above all this world has or can boast. Righteousness alone can exalt America as a nation. The great pillars of all government and of social life are virtue, morality, and religion. This is the armor, my friend, and this alone, that renders us invincible.”

John Jay: (Original Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court) “Mercy and grace and favor did come by Jesus Christ. By conveying the Bible to people we certainly do them a most interesting act of kindness. The most effectual means of securing the continuance of our civil and religious liberties is always to remember with reverence and gratitude the source from which they flow. The Bible is the best of all books, for it is the word of God and teaches us the way to be happy in this world and in the next. Continue therefore to read it and to regulate your life by its precepts. Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation, to select and prefer Christians for their rulers.”

Benjamin Rush: (Father of Public Schools Under the Constitution) “The Gospel of Jesus Christ prescribes the wisest rules for just conduct in every situation of life. Happy they who are enabled to obey them in all situations!

The great enemy of the salvation of man, (satan) in my opinion, never invented a more effective means of limiting Christianity from the world than by persuading mankind that it was improper to read the Bible at schools. Christianity is the only true and perfect religion; and in proportion as mankind adopt its principles and obey its precepts, they will be wise and happy. The Bible should be read in our schools in preference to all other books.”

Noah Webster: (Schoolmaster to America) “The religion which has introduced civil liberty is the religion of Christ and His apostles. This is genuine Christianity and to this we owe our free constitutions of government. The moral principles and precepts found in the Scriptures ought to form the basis of all our civil constitutions and laws. I am persuaded that no civil government of a republican form can exist and be durable in which the principles of Christianity have not a controlling influence.”

George Washington: “You do well to wish to learn our arts and ways of life, and above all, the religion of Jesus Christ. These will make you a greater and happier people than you are. While we are zealously performing the duties of good citizens and soldiers, we certainly ought not to be inattentive to the higher duties of religion. To the distinguished character of Patriot, it should be our highest glory to add the more distinguished character of Christian.”

Congress U.S. House Judiciary Committee 1854: “Had the people, during the Revolution, had a suspicion of any attempt to war against Christianity, that Revolution would have been strangled in its cradle. In this age, there can be no substitute for Christianity. That was the religion of the founders of the republic and they expected it to remain the religion of their descendants.”

- The first colleges formed in America (123 out of 126) were formed on Christian principles.
- Up until 1900 it was very rare to find a university president who was not and ordained clergyman.
- The New England Primer, America’s first textbook and used for 210 years taught the alphabet like this: A – In Adam’s fall we sinned all. C – Christ crucified for sinners died. Z – Zaccheus he did climb the tree our Lord to see.

- The 107 questions at the end of the New England Primer included questions like, “What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?” “How does Christ execute the office of a priest?” “What is required in the fifth commandment?” “What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?”
- George Washington made it crystal clear that American schools would teach Indian youths the “religion” of Jesus Christ and Congress assisted in doing so.
- In 1782, Congress had 10,000 bibles printed for use in schools.
- Dr. Benjamin Rush said, “The only means of establishing and perpetuating our republican forms of government is the universal education of our youth in the principles of Christianity by means of the Bible.”
- Thomas Jefferson wrote the first plan of education for the city of Washington D.C. and adopted two textbooks, the Bible and Watts Hymnal, and hired clergymen to be the teachers.
- The 1854 edition of Webster’s Dictionary had Biblical definitions, Bible verses, and Webster’s own testimony of personally receiving Christ.”
- America’s first school was Harvard, founded in 1636 by Reverend John Harvard whose official motto was “For Christ and the Church.” Harvard had several requirements which students had to observe, one of which was, “Let every scholar be plainly instructed and earnestly pressed to consider well, the main end of his life and studies is to know God and Jesus Christ, which is eternal life.”
- In fact, wait until you here where the largest Church in America used to be held for many years...

“This is a copy of what the first Bible printed in English in America looked like. This Bible was printed by the U.S. Congress in 1782 and the records, it says, that this bible -quote- a neat edition of the Holy Scriptures for the use of our schools-end quote. So the first bible printed in America in English well that was printed by Congress for the use of our schools?--it's worse than

that- and the front of the cover it says resolved The United States and Congress assembled recommend this edition of the Bible to the inhabitants of the United States. So the first Bible printed in English by America was done by the guys who signed the documents, endorsed by Congress and done for the use of schools and we're going to be told that they don't want any kind of religion in education, they don't want voluntary prayer? No, it doesn't make sense.

This document by itself by itself is fairly significant, but in 1830, Congress commissioned these four paintings over here to recapture what the original records said was the Christian history of the United States. So in these four paintings means you have really a span of a few hundred years. If I take you through them chronologically, the first is back there Columbus landing in the Western world in 1492. They got out, they knelt down and had a prayer service. You see the cross they have. They named the land where they have landed San Salvador, meaning Holy Savior which tells you some of the thinking that was going on then. If you come back over my shoulder here, this is the baptism of Pocahontas in Jamestown and this was in 1613. Over here-the fourth painting is 1620. This is the embarkation of the Pilgrims coming to America. You can see them gathered around the Bible there. You see the prayer meeting they're having.

Now if you take just those four paintings right there in this great secular hall of government. Those four paintings represent two prayer meetings, a bible study and a baptism which is not bad for a secular building. As a matter of fact, you're standing in what 1857 was the largest church in the United States, is the U.S Capitol. Back on December the 4th of 1800, members of Congress, members of the Senate-Thomas Jefferson over the Senate, you had John Trombell over the House. They decided that on Sundays that we would turn the Capitol Building into a church building and starting on Sunday we started having services in the Capitol.

Now six weeks after that, Thomas Jefferson became President of the United States, but for 8 years as President, he went to church here at the U.S Capitol. Listened to the sermons here at the Capitol and being Commander-In-Chief, he decided he could help the worship here at the capitol. He ordered the Marine Corp band to play the worship services at the Capitol. Now that would be kind of cool having the Marine Corp as your worship band at church. That church went for a better part of a century and by 1857 there were 2,000 people a week that went to church in the Hall of the House

of Representatives and in addition to that, there were four other churches that met at the Capitol. First Congregational, this was their first home as was First Presbyterian as was Capitol Hill Presbyterian. Churches met here, there was nothing secular or seen to be secular about this building until the last 30-40-50 years.”

Now folks, maybe it’s just me, but I’m kind of thinking we’ve been horribly lied to, how about you? Our Founding Fathers **clearly** believed in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and they **clearly** built our Great Nation on Him, right? But it gets worse. We’ve not only been lied to, but people out there are desperately trying to **cover up this truth!** Get this! Recently a publishing company put a “warning label” on the Constitution! And I quote:

“Wilder Publications warns readers of its reprints of the Constitution, the Declaration of Independence, Common Sense, the Articles of Confederation, and the Federalist Papers, among others, that, “This book is a product of its time and does not reflect the same values as it would if it were written today.”

The disclaimer goes on to tell parents that they “might wish to discuss with their children how views on race, gender, sexuality, ethnicity, and interpersonal relations have changed since this book was written.”

A **warning label** on the Constitution? Folks, that’s not only ludicrous, but it’s blasphemous to the original intent of our Founding Fathers. And so the common sense question is, “How in the world did this happen? How did we fall like this giving rise to such rebellion and wickedness in such a short amount of time, especially with our godly heritage?”

Well once again, great question. It works well with my notes. The **1st reason** why we've turned from a Nation that Once Loved God to this **Rise of Wickedness** is by the promotion of a **Wicked Worldview**. That's right, I'm talking about **humanism**. Little do people know that the teachings of humanism and its atheistic ideals have actually aided in this **massive rise of wicked behavior** that Paul mentioned in the text there as a sign we're living in the Last Days! For those of you who may not know, humanism is the worldview where **man is the center of all things, not God**. And so as you can tell, it's diametrically opposed to Christianity. But don't just take my word for it, let's listen to theirs. Let's take a look at their own beliefs from the Humanist Manifesto I and II.

1. Faith in the prayer-hearing God, assumed to live and care for persons, to hear and understand their prayers, and to be able to do something about them, is an unproved and outmoded faith.
2. We find insufficient evidence for the belief in the existence of a supernatural. We begin with humans not God.
3. We do not accept as true the literal interpretation of the Old and New Testaments.
4. We include a recognition of an individual's right to die with dignity, euthanasia, suicide, birth control and abortion.
5. We believe that intolerant attitudes, often cultivated by orthodox religions and puritanical cultures, unduly repress sexual conduct. Divorce should be recognized. The many varieties of sexual exploration should not themselves be considered evil.

6. We oppose any tyranny over the mind of man to shackle free thought. In the past such tyrannies have been directed by churches and states attempting to enforce the edicts of religious bigots.
7. Promises of immortal salvation or fear of eternal damnation are both illusory and harmful.
8. Salvationism, based on mere affirmation, still appears as harmful, diverting people with false hopes of heaven hereafter. No deity will save us; we must save ourselves.

Now, does that sound like familiar attitudes today? Of course it does. You see, it was humanists that forced the Bible, prayer, and the Ten Commandments out of the schools, courtrooms, and government under the guise that religion and education do not mix. You know, **separation of Church and state!** Yet what most people don't realize is that **humanism was considered a religion itself** by the Supreme Court back in the early 60's. And can you guess just whose "religious" teachings are allowed in the schools? That's right, humanism! I believe that's called having your cake and eating it too! And today faithful and godly teachers not only have to contend with wicked behavior in the classroom, as we saw with the stats earlier, but they also have to contend with the wicked goals of humanists who have a **different agenda** for our teaching children. Listen to their own words.

- "(Our) great object was to get rid of Christianity, and to convert our churches into halls of science. The plan was not to make open attacks on religion...but to establish a system of state schools, from which all

religion was to be excluded...and to which all parents were to be compelled by law to send their children. For this purpose, a secret society was formed and the whole country was to be organized.” **Orestes Brownson (1803-1876)**

- “What the church has been for medieval man, the public school must become for democratic and rational man. God would be replaced by the concept of the public good.” **Horace Mann (1796-1858)**
- “There is no God and there is no soul. Hence, there is no need for the props of traditional religion. With dogma and creed excluded, then immutable truth is also dead and buried. There is no room for fixed, natural law or moral absolutes.” **John Dewey (1859-1952), the “Father of Progressive Education;” co-author of the first Humanist Manifesto and honorary NEA president**
- “Education is thus a most powerful ally of humanism, and every American school is a school of humanism. What can a theistic Sunday School’s meeting for an hour once a week and teaching only a fraction of the children do to stem the tide of the five-day program of humanistic teaching?” **Charles F. Potter, Humanism: A New Religion (1930)**
- “I think that the most important factor moving us toward a secular society has been the educational factor. Our schools may not teach Johnny to read properly, but the fact that Johnny is in school until he is sixteen tends to lead toward the elimination of religious superstition.” **Paul Blanshard, “Three Cheers for Our Secular State,” The Humanist, March/April 1976**
- “We must ask how we can kill the God of Christianity. We need only to insure that our schools teach only secular knowledge. If we could achieve this, God would indeed be shortly due for a funeral service.” **G. Richard Bozarth, “On Keeping God Alive,” American Atheist, November 1977**
- “I am convinced that the battle for humankind’s future must be waged and won in the public school classroom by teachers who correctly perceive their role as proselytizers of a new faith: a religion of humanity. These teachers must embody the same selfless dedication as the most

rabid fundamentalist preachers, for they will be ministers of another sort, utilizing a classroom instead of a pulpit to convey humanist values in whatever subject they teach, regardless of educational level – preschool, day care or a large state university. The classroom must and will become an arena of conflict between the old and the new – the rotting corpse of Christianity...and the new faith of humanism.” **John J. Dunphy, “A New Religion for a New Age,” The Humanist, January/February 1983**

- “Every child in America entering school at the age of five is mentally ill, because he comes to school with certain allegiances toward our founding fathers, toward our elected officials, toward his parents, toward a belief in a supernatural Being, toward the sovereignty of this nation as a separate entity. It is up to you teachers to make all these sick children well by creating the international children of the future.” **Harvard Professor of Education and Psychiatry, 1984**

Now folks, maybe it’s just me, but I’d say that’s quite a different agenda for teaching our kids, how about you? Uh huh! So much for reading, writing, and arithmetic, huh? They want to turn your kid from God! In fact, here’s one of the ladies that used to work for them blowing the whistle. She admits they don’t want to teach your kid about education, but indoctrinate your kid against God!

“My name is Charlotte Thompson-Iservbyt and I served as Senior Policy Adviser in the United States Department of Education under the Reagan administration during which I had access to almost all of the most important documents for the restructuring of not only American education but global education. I am also the author of. ‘The Deliberate Dumbing Down of America’ which gets into all of this – gives the background of what I saw not only in the Department of Education but as a local school board member.

Just to give you an idea of how blatant they are. Benjamin Bloom said, ‘The purpose of education’ – and I often say this to parents really listen to this – You really think the purpose of education is reading, writing and arithmetic ‘The purpose of education is to change the thoughts, actions and feelings of

students' and then he goes on and he says that he defines good teaching – and it's even worse from the parental standpoint as 'challenging the student's fixed beliefs' and then in some of his works that I have that are in my book along with...

Interviewer: When he says challenge or does he mean 'challenge' or does he mean 'change'...change their fixed beliefs"...

Charlotte: Yeah, through challenging – it's through challenging. You go up against them and you change them and you asked a good question because then he goes on in one part of the taxonomy that is in my book. He says he can take a student from here (points) to there (points again) from a belief in God or his country or whatever to being an atheist and not believing in his country in one hour.

Interviewer: Did he do that?

Charlotte: Oh yeah, he does it and I've seen it with students. I've seen it with young people."

Gee, how could America fall from being a great mighty Christian nation into the absolute unadulterated wickedness we see today? Because somebody has wormed their way in and changed us from the inside out! It's called **Humanism** and their using our schools to get the job done! In fact, it's worked so well that the average person today thinks that the teachings of humanism, not Christianity, but humanism with the **triumph of the human spirit** that's the antidote needed to cure the wickedness of our world. Yet, in reality they are actually following the teachings of the king of wickedness, satan.

Genesis 3:4-5 “You will not surely die,” the serpent said to the woman. “For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

Hmmm. You mean the teaching of man being the center of all things, determining his own destiny, in fact being his own god started with satan? That would be a **yup**. So is it any wonder that there's been a massive **Rise of Wickedness** just like the Bible said would happen in the last days? In fact, Paul Harvey warned about this subversion **nearly 50 years ago**. I think we should've listened to him!

If I Were The Devil by Paul Harvey

If I were the Devil...if I were the Prince of Darkness, I'd want to engulf the whole world in darkness and I would have a third of its real estate and four-fifths of its population, but I wouldn't be happy until I had seized the ripest apple on the tree, thee.

So I'd set about however necessary to take over the United States. I'd subvert the churches first. I'd begin with a campaign of whispers. With the wisdom of the serpent, I would whisper to you as I whispered to Eve: 'Do as you please.'

To the young, I would whisper that the Bible is a myth. I would convince them that man created God instead of the other way around. I would confide that what is bad is good, and what is good is 'square'.

And the old, I would teach to pray after me: 'Our Father, which art in Washington.'

And then, I'd get organized. I'd educate authors in how to make lurid literature exciting so that anything else would appear dull and uninteresting. I'd threaten TV with dirtier movies and vice versa.

I'd peddle narcotics to whom I could. I'd sell alcohol to ladies and

gentlemen of distinction. I'd tranquilize the rest with pills.

If I were the devil, I'd soon have families at war with themselves, churches at war with themselves, and nations at war with themselves until each in its turn was consumed.

And with promises of higher ratings, I'd have mesmerizing media fanning the flames. If I were the devil, I would encourage schools to refine young intellects but neglect to discipline emotions – just let those run wild until before you knew it, you'd have to have drug-sniffing dogs and metal detectors at every schoolhouse door.

Within a decade, I'd have prisons overflowing. I'd have judges promoting pornography. Soon I could evict god from the courthouse, and then from the schoolhouse, and then from the houses of Congress.

And in His own churches I would substitute psychology for religion and deify science. I would lure priests and pastors into misusing boys and girls and church money. If I were the devil, I'd make the symbol of Easter and egg and the symbol of Christmas a bottle.

If I were the devil, I would take from those who have and i would give to those who wanted, until I had killed the incentive of the ambitious. And what will you bet I couldn't get whole states to promote gambling as the way to get rich.

I would caution against extremes in hard work, in patriotism, in moral conduct. I would convince the young that marriage is old-fashioned, that swinging is more fun, that what you see on TV is the way to be and thus i could undress you in public, and I could lure you into bed with diseases for which there is no cure.

In other words, if I were the devil, I'd just keep right on doing what he's doing."

Now folks, maybe it's just me, but it looks like the devil has been pretty successful in his agenda, hasn't he? And he's been using humanism to get the job done! Folks, I share all this with you not **freak you out** but to

motivate you! There is HOPE you know? This is no time to get apathetic! Are you kidding me! Our Founding Fathers knew that even if we as a people did get off track, like we see today with **humanism**, that all we needed was for our **Churches** to get back on track and lead the way back! We don't know the day or the hour and we also don't know if God has one more true revival for our Nation once more before He comes back! I don't know! But the good news is if we the Church experience revival then so will our country! If we are ever going to regain our independence again from the hands of tyranny and oppression...**we have got to grow a spine**. We have got to get the same spiritual backbone our Founding Fathers had who not only declared, "Give me liberty or give me death," but "Give me Jesus Christ until my dying breath!" amen? We have got to get motivated, not apathetic, and get busying putting Jesus Christ back in our **government**, back in our **Schools**, back in our **court rooms**, and yes, back in our **pulpits** and turn this country around, amen? And 2 Chronicles 7:14 says, "God will hear us from heaven, forgive us our sins, and turn our once great nation into a Great Nation again!" Amen! Let's lead the way back Sunrise...all it takes is **one Church!**

But if you're reading this today and you're not a Christian. What more does God have to do? He loves you! This is why He's given you all these

signs today of the **Rise of Wickedness** to show you that the Tribulation is near and the 2nd Coming of Jesus Christ is rapidly approaching. And that's why Jesus Himself said:

Luke 21:28 "When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

In other words, it's getting close! His return is just around the corner and you don't want to miss it, i.e the rapture! Therefore, I beg you, please, heed the signs...heed the warnings...give your life to Jesus **now**...because tomorrow may be too late! Amen? Let's pray.

To find the way to God, to understand the *truth* of God's Word, and to received the gift of eternal *life*, begin by repentance and faith through a prayer like this:

"Dear God, I understand that I have broken Your Law and sinned against You. Please forgive my sins. Thank You that Jesus suffered on the cross in my place. I now place my trust in Him as My Savior and Lord. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."
