

## **The Final Countdown – Rise of Wickedness Part 2**

“One day Kenny’s dishwasher quit working and so he called Al and asked him if he could take a look at it the next day for him and see if he could fix it. And Al of course said yes, but the problem was Kenny wasn’t able to be there when Al came over to fix the dishwasher because he had another appointment.

So he left Al with some instructions that said, “I’ll leave the key under the doormat and just let yourself in to fix the dishwasher, but don’t worry about my Rottweiler. He won’t bother you. But, whatever you do, do not under any circumstances talk to my parrot!”

Well, when Al arrived at Kenny’s place the next day, he discovered the biggest and meanest looking Rottweiler he had ever seen. But, just like Kenny said, the dog just lay there on the carpet, watching Al go about his business.

However, the whole time he was there the parrot drove him nuts with his incessant cursing, yelling, and name-calling.

And so finally the Al couldn’t contain himself any longer and so he yells, “SHUT UP, YOU STUPID UGLY BIRD!”

To which Kenny’s parrot replied, “Sic em, Brutus!”

Now folks, how many of you would say Al was about to have the time of his life in about 5 seconds there? Uh huh! Rottweiler stew is what I figure! But that’s right folks, believe it or not, did you know there’s an even worse day than that coming one day to the whole planet? Uh huh! There really is! And the Bible says that’s going to happen at the rapture of the Church! And the reason why it’s going to be so bad 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming was rapidly approaching.

Therefore, in order to keep you and I from experiencing the ultimate bad day of being left behind, worse than a Rottweiler, 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**. The **#7** sign was **The Rise of Falsehood**. And **last time** we saw how the **#6** sign was **The Rise of Wickedness**. And what we saw there was that God lovingly foretold you and I that when we see an **Increase of Absolute Unadulterated Wickedness** in all levels of society, which is happening today right now all over the world thanks in part to a Wicked Worldview

called **Humanism**...uh, guess what? It's an indicator from God **you are living in the last days!** And that's precisely why we've gone from a Great Mighty Christian Nation into...this!

But that's still not all. The **2<sup>nd</sup> reason why** we turned from a Christian Nation into this **Rise of Wickedness** we see today is by the promotion of a **Wicked Teaching**. That's right, I'm talking about **atheism**. And people we need to wake up and realize that this atheism has been spawned by another lie in our schools, other than humanism, and this one's called **evolution**. And as we saw before that's not only a lie, but the premise of it is that there is no God, we have no hope and no future, and we came from nowhere! And it's precisely this lie of evolution, as you can tell, that has spawned these atheistic ideals, these God-hating ideals, that have actually aided in this **massive rise of wicked behavior** that we see today. But don't take my word for it. Let's listen to God's. He told us this is exactly what was going to happen!

**Romans 1:18-32** "The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – His eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.

For although they knew God, they neither glorified Him as God nor gave thanks to Him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were

darkened. Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like mortal man and birds and animals and reptiles.

Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator – Who is forever praised. Amen.

Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural ones. In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed indecent acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their perversion.

Furthermore, since they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, He gave them over to a depraved mind, to do what ought not to be done. They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; they are senseless, faithless, heartless, ruthless.

Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.”

Now folks, does that sound like our society today or what? Uh huh, slightly! And the point is this! Where did all this wicked behavior get spawned from? From suppressing the truth about God's existence, you know **evolution**. Don't they say there is no God? Don't they suppress this truth about God's existence in our schools and in the media and in Hollywood with their lie? Of course! Which I always found interesting. Why do you fight against something so hard that you say you don't believe in? I mean,

why don't you just leave the rest of us to our illusion if that's what you say you really believe in, right? Unless of course, deep down inside, you know there is a God, like the Bible says, you have no excuse, and the real reason is you don't want there to be a God because you want to be your own god and do whatever wicked thing you come up with. And that's precisely what the text says!

And so what happened? What did God do? **GOD GAVE YOU OVER** to your wicked desires! You don't want there to be a God? Fine! Have it your way! You'll learn the hard way what happens to a society that no longer wants Him! You immediately went after sexual impurity, shameful lusts, homosexuality, you became filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity, murder, envy, strife, deceit, and malice and you became gossips, you became slanderers, you became **God-haters**, insolent, arrogant, boastful, disobedient to your parents, senseless, faithless, heartless, ruthless, and it even got so bad that you even invented new ways of doing evil. Why? Because you had the audacity to say there is no God, just like what **evolution teaches**, and so as an act of Judgment from God He gave you over to your atheistic wicked desires and your society started to fall apart!

And tell me that's not what's exactly happening today. **Every single one** of those wicked behaviors, is not only **commonplace** in our society

**right now** but it stems from what? An atheist mindset created by the lie of evolution. “Why did we fall? How did our Great and Mighty Christian Nation turn into a society of such great wickedness and rebellion?” I’ll tell you why! Because we allowed the infiltration of a **wicked teaching** into our school system...other than humanism called **evolution**, they go hand in hand, and it too, like humanism, was a deliberate attack to subvert our Nation!

And for those of you who don’t believe me, that these atheistic teachings of evolution have really spawned this wicked behavior since they were introduced into our school system, let’s take a look at the official behavioral statistics from the U.S. Census Bureau from about 1963 on, which is, again, when evolution became prominent in our school system. Let’s see what happened.

1. Back in the 1950’s, the average textbook only had two to three thousand words about evolution. But in 1963, it jumped up to 33,000 words. And it just so happened that 1963 is also when prayer and Bible reading was taken out of the American school system. Gee, I wonder what affect this had had on our country?
2. Since 1963, sexually transmitted diseases among teenagers and young adults have increased nearly 400%.
3. Instances of pre-marital sex among teenagers have skyrocketed.
4. Unwed pregnancies among young girls are up 553%.
5. Unmarried couples living together are up 725%.
6. Divorce rates are up to 111%. Some parts of California the divorce rate is one for every marriage!
7. Single parent households are quickly becoming the norm.
8. SAT scores have plummeted.

9. Alcohol and drug consumption have gone ballistic!
10. Violent crimes are up 995%.
11. Gee, if you tell kids they came from an ape, then why are we surprised when they act like apes!

Now folks, maybe it's just me, but I'd say the effects of evolutionary teaching hasn't had a very good impact on our country, how about you? And is it really a surprise? No wonder our world is so stinking hopeless. Think about it! What are they saying to people? They say you are nothing, you came from nothing, and you have no future! Hello! That's hopeless! And the reason why it creates this hopelessness is because **what you believe determines how you behave!** And as you saw, if we teach kids they came from an ape, why are we shocked when they act like apes? If you say there is no meaning or purpose to life, why are we so shocked when they so flippantly take a life? If you drill into their heads from wee high the lie that there is no God why are we shocked when they act ungodly? It's a direct correlation! What you believe determines how you behave! That's the fruit of this atheistic lie called evolution!

And even though God clearly warned us that your society will **totally fall apart** when you give into this lie and **reject Him**, people take one look at our wicked society and point a finger back at God and **blame Him!** They say, "Why God why? Why are you doing this! Why are you allowing this

happen? Why? Why? Why?" as if He's the one to blame when in reality,  
 here's the real culprit. Check this out. It's common sense!

Dear God,

Why didn't you save the school children at...

Moses Lake, WA  
 Bethel, AK  
 Pearl, MS  
 West Paducah, KY  
 Stamp, AR  
 Jonesboro, AR  
 Edinborough, PA  
 Fayetteville, TN  
 Springfield, OR  
 Richmond, VA  
 Littleton, CO  
 Tabor, Alberta Canada  
 Conyers, GA  
 Denning, NM  
 Ft. Gibson, OK  
 Santee, CA  
 El Cahon, CA  
 Blacksburg, VA?

Sincerely,  
 Concerned Student

REPLY:

Dear Concerned Student:

I AM not allowed in schools.

Sincerely,  
 God



How did this get started? I think it started when Madelyne Murray-O'Hare complained that she didn't want any prayer in our schools and we said "Okay".

Then someone said you'd better not read the Bible in school. The Bible says, "Thou shalt not kill, thou shalt not steal and love your neighbor as yourself" and we said, "Okay".

Dr. Benjamin Spock said we shouldn't spank our children when they misbehave because their personalities would be warped and we might damage their self-esteem. And we said, "An expert should know what know what he's talking about, so we won't spank them anymore."

Then someone said teachers and principals better no discipline our children when they misbehave and the school administrators said "No faculty member in this school better touch a student when they misbehave because we don't want any bad publicity and we surely don't want to be sued." And we accepted their reasoning.

Then someone said let's let our daughters have abortions if they want and they won't even have to tell their parents. And we said, "That's a grand idea."

Then some wise school board member said, "Since boys will be boys and their going to do it anyway, let's give our sons all the condoms they want so they can have all the fun they desire and we won't have to tell their parents they got them at school" And we said, "That's another great idea".

Then some of our top elected officials said, "It doesn't matter what we do in private as long we do our jobs." And we said, "It doesn't matter what anybody, including the president, does in private as long as we have jobs and the economy is good."

And someone else took that appreciation a step further and published pictures of nude children and then steps further by making them available on the internet. And we said, 'Everyone is entitled to free speech.'

And the entertainment industry said, "Let's make TV shows and movies that promote profanity, violence and illicit sex, and let's record music that encourages rape, drugs, murder, suicide and satanic themes. And we said,

“It’s just entertainment and it has no adverse effect and nobody takes it seriously anyway, so go right ahead”

Now we are asking ourselves why are our children have no conscience. Why they don’t know right from wrong and why it doesn’t bother them to kill strangers, classmates, or even themselves. Undoubtedly if we thought about it long and hard enough. We could figure it out. Surely it has a great deal to do with, ‘We reap what we sow.’”

“Why God why? Why are you doing this! Why are you allowing this happen? Why? Why? Why?” **It ain’t Him...it’s us!** We kicked Him out of our schools! We kicked Him out of our courtrooms and we kicked Him out of our Government! And we allowed a wicked teaching into our school system called evolution and it’s producing this atheistic mindset that’s giving birth to all this wickedness! It’s that simple!

Therefore, if there’s any hope for our nation, we have got to get busy **kicking God back** into our **school system**, back into our **court rooms**, and back into our **Government** and seek His blessing again, amen?

But that’s not all. The **3<sup>rd</sup> reason** we turned from a Christian Nation into this **Rise of Wickedness** we see today is by the promotion of a **Wicked Attack**. That’s right! I’m talking about **militant atheism**. You see, apparently folks, it’s not enough to just promote these atheistic ideas in our schools and media through the lie of evolution. These people, these atheists will not rest until this **God-hating** lie is permeated in all levels of society **utterly destroying us** like Romans 1 said would happen! They are **militant**

about it and it keeps on inviting more and more of the wrath of God upon us. They will not rest until every single memory, every last aspect, every last trace of Historical proof of our great Christian Heritage is totally wiped out, including the existence of God!

And the **1<sup>st</sup> attack** by these militant atheists is upon **The Character of God.**

**Revelation 4:8-11** “Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under his wings. Day and night they never stop saying: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, Who was, and is, and is to come.” Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to Him Who sits on the throne and Who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne, and worship Him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say: “You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for You created all things, and by Your will they were created and have their being.”

Now folks, I don't know how you can get any clearer than this but the Bible clearly says that God is not only Holy, Holy, Holy, when it comes to His character, but He's clearly the One Who created us, right? Of course! He created **all things!** And how many of you guys would say that **God**, being the Creator of all things and Infinitely Holy without sin, absolutely perfect, demands a certain amount of respect, you know what I'm saying?

**But not anymore!** Thanks to these militant atheists, we are now being told **not only** the lie that there is no God, but they've even gone so far as to say that following God's Righteous Holy Character is something bad for us,

including our kids. Believe it or not folks, they've even replaced things like Vacation Bible School with atheists camps for kids, and they now have opportunities for adults to **de-baptize** themselves with a hair dryer. Don't believe me? Check this out!

“(Trumpet blowing) WAKE UP!

Reporter: It may be the summer holiday but there's no time to lie in bed at Camp Quest. Twenty-four children aged 7-17 attacking critical thinking, rationaling query and a scientific approach to the world in a range of summer camp activities. They will also learn cooperation, tolerance and empathy. All in an atmosphere guaranteed free of religious propaganda. Most of the parents are atheists who want their children to learn ethical behavior but separate from religion.

Samantha Stein: I think that people are possibly getting tired of the influence that religion has in society, possibly an unearned influence um and trying to come up with alternatives.

Reporter: With the sun setting, it was time for a little open air education. It's aimed mainly at encouraging children to think skeptically or not to simply be told what to think. They're likely to talk about religion and be told that religious beliefs can hinder moral behavior.”

And we wonder why things are getting worse? We're under the judgment of God! But that's still not all. Check out how these other militant atheists are attacking the character of God!

- Atheism ads are now appearing all across America. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are being spent on Billboards declaring “We Are Good without God,” or “Don't Believe in God? Join the Club!” or “Praise Darwin! Evolve Beyond Belief” and “Christianity: Sadistic God; Useless Savior, 30,000+ Versions of “Truth” Promotes Hate, Calls it “Love” just to name a few.

- Atheists in Florida are scrubbing away a blessing with unholy water that Christians prayed for on a highway. They say it made them uncomfortable and that they were not going to tolerate bigotry.
- Various atheists across the country are hosting “Rapture Parties” because “If the Rapture indeed occurs, and Christians worldwide are transported to heaven, we know as atheists, we’re not going. If it occurs, it’s a good thing for us. We get the real estate and cheap cars, and we won’t have to worry about separation of Church and state.”
- There’s a new website out there called ([www.if-jesus-returns-kill-him-again.com](http://www.if-jesus-returns-kill-him-again.com)) where atheist Darwin Bedford, the self-proclaimed “atheist messiah” states among other blasphemous things, “If that self-made “blank” Jesus returns again, I think we should hire some Jews to throw Him off the rooftop once again. Or maybe we could hire some of Mel Gibson’s extras from “The Passion of the Christ” to punish Him first.”
- And if that’s doesn’t work, believe it or not there is now a new web filter out there for the Internet called, “God Block” that blocks all religious content to protect kids from, “The often violent, sexual, and psychologically harmful material in many holy texts, and from being indoctrinated into any religion.” And the reason why they say they developed this device for parents and schools was because there’s been a resurgence of fundamentalist religion.

You got to be kidding me? And we have the audacity to ask, “Why God why? Why are you doing this! Why are you allowing this happen? Why is this going on! Why is our society going down the tubes?” I’ll tell you why! Because we’ve allowed militant atheists to attack the **Character of God** and therefore we’re under His judgment! And it is high time that we the Church stand up and speak up against this atheistic nonsense if there’s any hope for our nation! Amen?

Oh but that's not all. The **2<sup>nd</sup> attack** by these militant atheists is upon **The Name of God.**

**Exodus 20:7** "You shall not misuse the Name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses His name."

Now folks, I don't know how you can get any clearer than this. The Bible says that God is so Holy that even His Name is Holy and therefore that last thing you ever want to do is **misuse** the thing, right? What'd He say there? He will not hold anyone **guiltless**, or in other words, **He will punish** those who treat His Name as a **common word** let alone a **cuss word**, right?

And that's always amazed me. Why is it when people smash their hand with a hammer they don't cry out, "Buddha, Buddha, Buddha!" Or when somebody cuts them off the road they don't yell, "Ah Muhammad" Why is it always **Jesus Christ**? I don't think it's by chance because if you combine it with Philippians 2 says that every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord over all **including satan and the demons** and the fact that it's only through the Name of Jesus Christ that we can even be saved **from hell**. That's what precisely what the enemy would do! Turn the blessed Name of Jesus Christ into a common cuss word when it's worthy of utter respect! And that's precisely what these militant atheists are doing! They're not only encouraging us to speak the Name of God **in**

**vain** as a **common cuss word**, even to our kids, but the Name of Jesus

Christ is utterly **blasphemed!** Don't believe me? Check this out!

“The Ten Commandments given to us by God warns that we should treat even the mention of His name with great awe and respect, never using it in a casual or disrespectful way. The Old Testament saints took this command very seriously. Insisting that Scribes wash their hands and use a new pen when even writing the name of God. Many of the Jews were even afraid to say it out loud in any circumstance. Choosing, instead to refer to it indirectly as “The Name.”

Contrast that to our day. To a time when God as an act of incomprehensible grace and mercy chose to fully reveal Himself in Christ as Immanuel-”God With Us” and has given us the true Name of the LORD our God. The only “Name under heaven given to men by which we may be saved” Acts 4:12. The Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Assorted movie clips.

“J---s Ch---t!”... “For Ch-st’s sake”... “J---s Grampa”  
 “Jesus Ch--st”... “They’re my G-D D--MN kids!” ...”G-d D--mn”...”J---s Ch--st!”... “G-d D--mn It!” ..”Oh J---s Ch--st!”... “Alright be quiet for “Ch--st’s sake” “That’s all one G-d D-mn hit? You can’t say G-d D-mn on the air”

God’s Name is degraded, blasphemed and reduced to a cheap expletive by so many in today’s entertainment industry.

Ken Kesey, the author of *Sometimes A Great Notion* and the Academy Award winning *One Flew Over The Cuckoo’s Nest* provided perhaps the best summation of the pride and irreverence that characterizes so much of today’s art and entertainment.

“The job of the artist is to say, ‘F\*\*\* you, god! F\*\*\* you and the Old Testament you rode in on!’“  
 ---Esquire, Sept. 1992, p210

Larry King: “We’re gonna run the unedited version”

Kathy Griffin: “What!?”

Larry King: “Be forewarned people, you may be offended. Watch.”

Larry King Live showing video clip of Kathy Griffins Emmy acceptance speech:

Kathy Griffin: “Now look, a lot of people come up here and they thank Jesus for this award. I want you to know that no one had less to do with award than Jesus. He didn’t help me a bit. If it were up to him Caesar Milano would be up here with that d-mn dog.”

(Laughter erupts from the audience)

Griffin: “So all I can say is ‘S-ck it Jesus, this award is my god now!’”

And we wonder why our society going down the tubes? “Why God why? Why are you doing this! Why are you allowing this happen? Why is this going on! Why is our society going down the tubes?” I’ll tell you why! It’s because we’ve allowed militant atheists to attack the **Name of God** and He will not hold anyone **guiltless** who **misuses** His Name! We’re being **punished!** And it’s high time we the Church stand up and speak out against this atheistic nonsense if there’s any hope for our nation! Amen?

Oh but that’s still not all. The **3<sup>rd</sup> attack** by these militant atheists is upon **The Word of God.**

**Psalm 119:73,97,101,105** “Your hands made me and formed me; give me understanding to learn your commands. Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long. I have kept my feet from every evil path so that I might obey your word. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.”



Now folks, how many of you would say that the Bible is trying to tell us that the Word of God, the Bible, is something **good for us**, not **bad for us**, right? Hello! What'd it say there? It keeps us from evil, it lights our path, it illuminates the darkness, and it can even show us the way out of the current mess we're in, right? And how many of you would say that's a **good thing**? We need to get busy utilizing the Word of God!

**But not anymore!** thanks to the rise of militant atheism we are now being encouraged to turn in and hand over our Bibles for copies of **pornography**! Don't believe me? Check this out!

Reporter: A program that has been turning heads and dropping jaws on the UTSA campus since Friday is in the Home Stretch through tomorrow an atheist group is offering free pornography to people willing to give up their Bibles. It's made more than a few people angry, but the University says the group hasn't broken any rules and should be allowed to exercise their right."

We're allowing people to exchange Bibles for pornography here in America? And we wonder why our country is going down the tubes? Our Founding Fathers must be rolling over in their graves! And speaking of Founding Fathers, I wonder what they would say today of people in office who would treat the Bible with utter mockery, like this guy did. Check this out.

President Obama: "Moreover, given the increase in diversity of America's population. The dangers of sectarianism are greater than ever. Whatever we once were, we are no longer a Christian nation, at least not just. We are also

a Jewish nation, a Muslim nation, and a Buddhist nation, and a Hindu nation and a nation of unbelievers.

And even if we have only Christians in our midst, if we expelled every non-Christian from the United States of America, whose Christianity would we teach in the schools? Would it be James Dobson's or Al Sharpton's?

Which passages of scripture should guide our public policy? Should we go with Leviticus? Which suggests slavery is okay and that eating shellfish is an abomination. Or we could go with Deuteronomy, which suggests stoning your child if he strays from the faith.

Or should we just stick to the Sermon on the Mount. A passage that is so radical that it is doubtful that our own Defense Department would survive its application.”

Now folks, I don't know about you, but I not only find that blasphemous as a Christian, it offends me as a Christian. We can't say anything bad about the Koran, or the world is up in arms, but it's okay to mock the Bible? And we wonder why our society's going down the tubes? Are you kidding me? People the Bible is clear. We have got to get back get back to respecting the Word of God again, not mocking it, not exchanging it for pornography, and let it illuminate our path once again, amen? And if you don't think that'll really work, then you better ask this President. He knew better! Check this out!

“You see the statue to the left of the door over there? That wide marble statue? That is president James A Garfield. President Garfield was one of the young Major Generals in the Civil War. He was a war hero. He became Speaker of the House. He became the 20th President of the United States and by the way that man founded Howard University. General O.O. Howard took it over after he founded it.

Just a really cool guy but what we never really hear about that President of the United States was that he was a minister during the 2nd Great Awakening. This is actually one of his letters, signed James A Garfield, 1858. In this letter, President Garfield recounts that he just finished preaching a revival service where he preached the Gospel nineteen times in the revival. He says as a result of his preaching that 34 folks came to Christ and he baptized 31.

Now that doesn't sound like a typical presidential activity today. That's what we used to do as Presidents in the past. Again, you walk through, you see that statue and you think oh there's a President. You'd never think there's a minister.

We've so compartmentalized Christianity in such a small box that we don't realize our Military Leaders are ministers, are educators. Our Presidents used to be ministers. That's why I say about one fourth of these statues are ministers of the Gospel."

Wait a second. You mean to tell me that our Presidents used to be Ministers, and they preached the Word of God to help bring revival to our Great and Mighty Nation in times of trouble? Uh, yeah, and dare I say folks, if revival is ever going to come our way again. The we need leaders, we need people, we need Churches who will do it again. And as far as these militant atheists, who **do not** make up the majority of America, they're an extreme minority who just have a loud voice, we just need to do what our Founding Fathers did and speak up and speak out against this baloney and give them a good dose of common sense, like this guy did!

"Life, liberty or the pursuit of happiness will not be endangered because someone says a 30-second prayer before a football game. What's the big deal?

It's not like somebody is up there reading the entire Book of Acts. They're just talking to God in whom they believe in and asking Him to grant safety to the players on the field and the fans going home from the game.

But what about the atheists? What about them? Nobody is asking them to be baptized. We're not going to pass the collection plate. Just humor us for 30 seconds. If that's asking too much, bring a Walkman or a pair of ear plugs.

Go to the bathroom. Visit the concession stand. Call your lawyer!

Unfortunately, one or two will make that call. One or two will tell tens of thousands Americans what they can and cannot do.

But it's a Christian prayer, some will argue. Yes, and this is the United States of America, a country founded on Christian principles. According to every phone book, Christian churches outnumber all others 200-to-1.

So what would you expect -- somebody chanting Hare Krishna?

If I went to a football game in Jerusalem, I'd expect to hear a Jewish prayer. If I went to a soccer game in Baghdad, I'd expect to hear a Muslim prayer. If I went to a ping pong match in China I'd expect to hear a Buddha prayer.

But this is America and so why are we shocked when we hear a Christian prayer!

Our parents and grandparents taught us to pray and our Bible tells us to pray without ceasing. Now a handful of people and their lawyers are telling us to cease from PRAYING and whatever you do STOP mentioning the NAME of JESUS.

God, help us. And if that last sentence offends you, sue me.

The silent majority has been silent too long. And it's high time we tell that one or two who scream loud enough that the vast majority doesn't care what they want. It is time that the majority Rules!

It's time we tell them, You don't have to pray; you don't have to say the Pledge of Allegiance; you don't have to believe in God or attend services that honor Him. That is your right, and we will honor your right; but by

golly, you are no longer going to take our rights away. We are fighting back, and we WILL WIN!”

WHY? Because we are CHRISTIANS!!! That’s what our nation was founded upon! We belong to GOD and HE IS REAL! That’s what our Founding Fathers believed and that’s what made our country so great! And if we are ever going to get back to being that Great Christian Nation again then it’s high time that we the Church get motivated **again!** We’ve got to get bust 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?

But if you’re reading this today and you’re not a Christian. Hey man, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, if you’re not a Christian, you better become one **now!** It’s getting close! His return is just around the corner and you don’t want to miss it! Therefore, I beg you, please, heed the signs...heed the

warnings...give your life to Jesus **today**...because tomorrow may be too late! Amen? Let's pray.

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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.”

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