

# ONE NATION
## UNDER
# GOD
## 250 YEARS
1776-2026

# 2 Corinthians 5:9-10

9 Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. 10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

# Colossians 1:9-14

9 And so, from the day we heard, we have
not ceased to pray for you, asking that you
may be filled with the knowledge of his will
in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,

# Colossians 1:9-14

10 so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;

# John 8:29

29 And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him.

# John 17:3-4

3 And this is eternal life, that they know
you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ
whom you have sent.
4 I glorified you on earth,
having accomplished the work
that you gave me to do.

# Pleasing God



“There are only two choices on the shelf, pleasing God or pleasing self.”

# Matthew 28:18-20

18 And Jesus came and said to them,
"All authority in heaven and on earth has
been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make
disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

# Matthew 28:18-20

**20** teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

# Proverbs 16:25

25 There is a way *that seems* right to a man,
But its end *is* the way of death.




# Citizenship Pleasing to God

# I. Personal Holiness



# Psalm 19:14

14 Let the words of my mouth and the
meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

# 2 Chronicles 7:14

14 if my people who are called by my name
humble themselves,
and pray
and seek my face
and turn from their wicked ways,
then I will hear from heaven and
will forgive their sin and heal their land.

# 2 Chronicles 6:36-40

36 “If they sin against you—for there is no
one who does not sin—and you are angry
with them and give them to an enemy, so
that they are carried away captive to a land
far or near,

# 2 Chronicles 6:36-40

37 yet if they turn their heart in the land to
which they have been carried captive, and
repent and plead with you in the land of
their captivity, saying, ‘We have sinned and
have acted perversely and wickedly,’

# 2 Chronicles 6:36-40

38 if they repent with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their captivity to which they were carried captive, and pray toward their land, which you gave to their fathers, the city that you have chosen and the house that I have built for your name,

# 2 Chronicles 6:36-40

39 then hear from heaven your dwelling
place their prayer and their pleas, and
maintain their cause and forgive your
people who have sinned against you. 40
Now, O my God, let your eyes be open and
your ears attentive to the prayer of this
place.

# 2 Chronicles 7:8-14

8 At that time Solomon held the feast for
seven days, and all Israel with him, a very
great assembly, from Lebo-hamath to the
Brook of Egypt. 9 And on the eighth day they
held a solemn assembly, for they had kept
the dedication of the altar seven days and
the feast seven days.

# 2 Chronicles 7:8-14

10 On the twenty-third day of the seventh
month he sent the people away to their
homes, joyful and glad of heart for the
prosperity that the Lord had granted to
David and to Solomon and to Israel his
people.

# 2 Chronicles 7:8-14

11 Thus Solomon finished the house of the Lord and the king’s house. All that Solomon had planned to do in the house of the Lord and in his own house he successfully accomplished.

# 2 Chronicles 7:8-14

12 Then the Lord appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: “I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. 13 When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people,

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# I. Personal Holiness

# II. Persistent in Prayer

# 1 Timothy 2:1-4

1 First of all, then, I urge that supplications,
prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be
made for all people, 2 for kings and all who
are in high positions, that we may lead a
peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified
in every way.

# 1 Timothy 2:1-4

3 This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight
of God our Savior, 4 who desires all people
to be saved and to come to the knowledge
of the truth.

# Matthew 7:7-11

7 “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and
you will find; knock, and it will be opened to
you. 8 For everyone who asks receives, and
the one who seeks finds, and to the one
who knocks it will be opened.

# Matthew 7:7-11

9 Or which one of you, if his son asks him for
bread, will give him a stone? 10 Or if he asks
for a fish, will give him a serpent? 11 If you
then, who are evil, know how to give good
gifts to your children, how much more will
your Father who is in heaven give good
things to those who ask him!

I. Personal Holiness

II. Persistent in Prayer

III. Patient in Providence

# Daniel 4:17

17 The sentence is by the decree of the
watchers, the decision by the word of the
holy ones, to the end that the living may
know that the Most High rules the kingdom
of men and gives it to whom he will and sets
over it the lowliest of men.’

# Daniel 4:24-25

24 this is the interpretation, O king: It is a
decree of the Most High, which has come
upon my lord the king, 25 that you shall be
driven from among men, and your dwelling
shall be with the beasts of the field.

# Daniel 4:24-25

You shall be made to eat grass like an ox, and you shall be wet with the dew of heaven, and seven periods of time shall pass over you, till you know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will.

# Daniel 4:28-32

29 At the end of twelve months he was
walking on the roof of the royal palace of
Babylon, 30 and the king answered and said,
“Is not this great Babylon, which I have built
by my mighty power as a royal residence
and for the glory of my majesty?”

# Daniel 4:28-32

31 While the words were still in the king’s
mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, “O
King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken:
The kingdom has departed from you,

# Daniel 4:28-32

32 and you shall be driven from among men,
and your dwelling shall be with the beasts
of the field. And you shall be made to eat
grass like an ox, and seven periods of time
shall pass over you, until you know that the
Most High rules the kingdom of men and
gives it to whom he will.”

# Daniel 5:21-22

21 He was driven from among the children of mankind, and his mind was made like that of a beast, and his dwelling was with the wild donkeys. He was fed grass like an ox, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, until he knew that the Most High God rules the kingdom of mankind and sets over it whom he will.

# Daniel 5:21-22

22 And you his son, Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, though you knew all this,

# Daniel 2:21

21 He changes times and seasons;
he removes kings and sets up kings;
he gives wisdom to the wise
and knowledge to those who have
understanding;

# Romans 13:1

[1] Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God.

# Proverbs 29:2 (NKJV)

2When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice;
But when a wicked *man* rules, the people groan.

I. Personal Holiness

II. Persistent in Prayer

III. Patient in Providence

# VI. Participate in Our Political Process

# Matthew 5:14-16

14 “You are the light of the world. A city set
on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people
light a lamp and put it under a basket, but
on a stand, and it gives light to all in the
house.

# Matthew 5:14-16

16 In the same way, let your light shine
before others, so that they may see your
good works and give glory to your Father
who is in heaven.

# 1 Corinthians 15:33-34

33 Do not be deceived: “Bad company ruins
good morals.” 34 Wake up from your
drunken stupor, as is right, and do not go on
sinning. For some have no knowledge of
God. I say this to your shame.

"And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.“

Declaration of Independence

https://www.mccl.org/election

There's only one way we lose on Election Day. We lose if pro-life Minnesotans stay home. Here's the reality: 30 percent of pro-lifers don't vote. **That includes people in your own life—your friends, your family, your fellow congregants at church.**

What kind of Minnesota do we want to live in? *If we don't vote, others get to decide—not us.*

Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life

“In Christ, our hope is found. Our hope is neither found nor lost in elections. Still, He has called us to engage the world around us as ministers of His reconciliation. For us, that means more than just voting, but not less. Vote so that good can be upheld and evil can be lessened.”

John Stonestreet

# 2 Corinthians 5:9

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