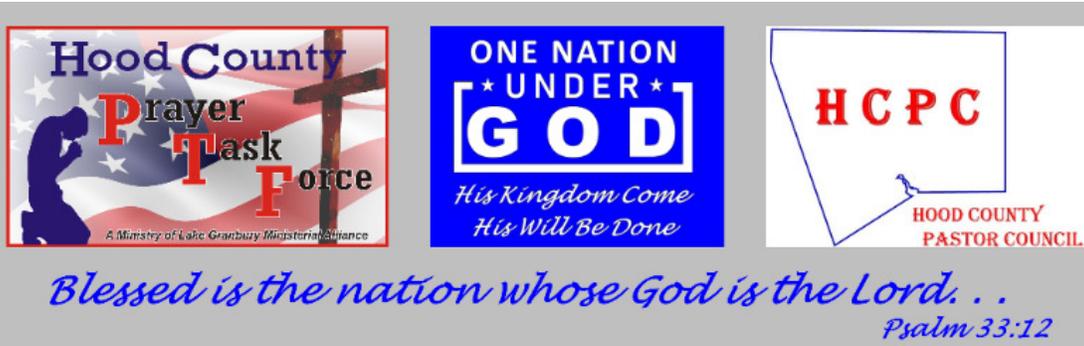


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Help Us See That Our Enemy Is Not People But Satan

Finally, my brethren, *be strong in the Lord* and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. *For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.* Therefore, take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Ephesians 6:10-13 (NKJV)

Reflections

It is true that we are in a battle for our nation. It is not true that our battle is against people.

The Word says our enemy is Satan and his hierarchy. According to Ephesians 6 we have weapons to battle. All of those weapons formed into the obedience of prayer have incredible

Challenge

As you pray for evil structures and ideologies to be defeated it is important to also gain

power!! Also, any general will tell you that a battle begins with a wisdom and understanding of the tactics of your enemy. The Bible says the same thing:

Now whom you forgive anything, I also forgive. For if indeed I have forgiven anything, I have forgiven that one for your sakes in the presence of Christ, lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices. (2 Corinthians 2:10-11, NKJV)

So, while this scripture explains that unforgiveness is an opening for the devil, it is true that any disobedience to God is an opening. If we ignore this truth, then Satan takes advantage. The word “takes advantage” actually means that the devil will take the bigger part. He doesn’t settle for small bites. Any place that the God’s people lay passive and evacuate out of ignorance will be invaded by our enemy and Satan will go for the big part of it. This is why our hearts should be willing to repent for our apathy.

So, what is Satan’s strategy? Look at this! “Just gotta love the Word!”

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled. (2 Corinthians 10:3-6, NKJV)

Look at this! The mind of people is the target for our enemy and what he wants to capture: our reasoning, arguments and thoughts. The enemy forms those thoughts in agreement with one another and with the demonic. What an understanding! This is why the Word tell us to be transformed by the renewing of our minds. (Romans 12:2)

the mercy of Jesus for the people of our nation. The apathy and consumer mentality of the church must be transformed so that our focus is on making disciples of people and nations.

For Discussion

How do we increase our prayer life over our nation?

How do you keep your focus on Jesus so that you do not assign more power to people than to God?



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So finally, the energy of our prayers must be aimed at the CAPTOR not the CAPTIVES! Ask Jesus to save and heal people AND to deliver us from evil.

And finally . . . let's awaken, Church! We are at war with the enemies of God (demonic) and will be until He comes or we graduate. Amen!

JESUS GIVES HIS PEOPLE THE GIFT OF PRAYER THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING!

Prayer

Father, we seek You because You are the One that heals nations. As we pray for our nation we also bring before you those whose minds have been captured. Father, break down the strategies of our enemy and cause demonic sounds to be silenced like You did with Goliath and the enemies of Israel. Father, bless those that You have called into civil government. Place on my heart one of them daily. Especially, Father, send revival!

that make disciples for the purpose of advancing the Kingdom of God. She speaks nationally and internationally to see Jesus heal nations. Her heart is revival.

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