

It Just Keeps Getting Worse!
God Gives Them Over!

Romans 1: 24-32

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Sin

Salvation

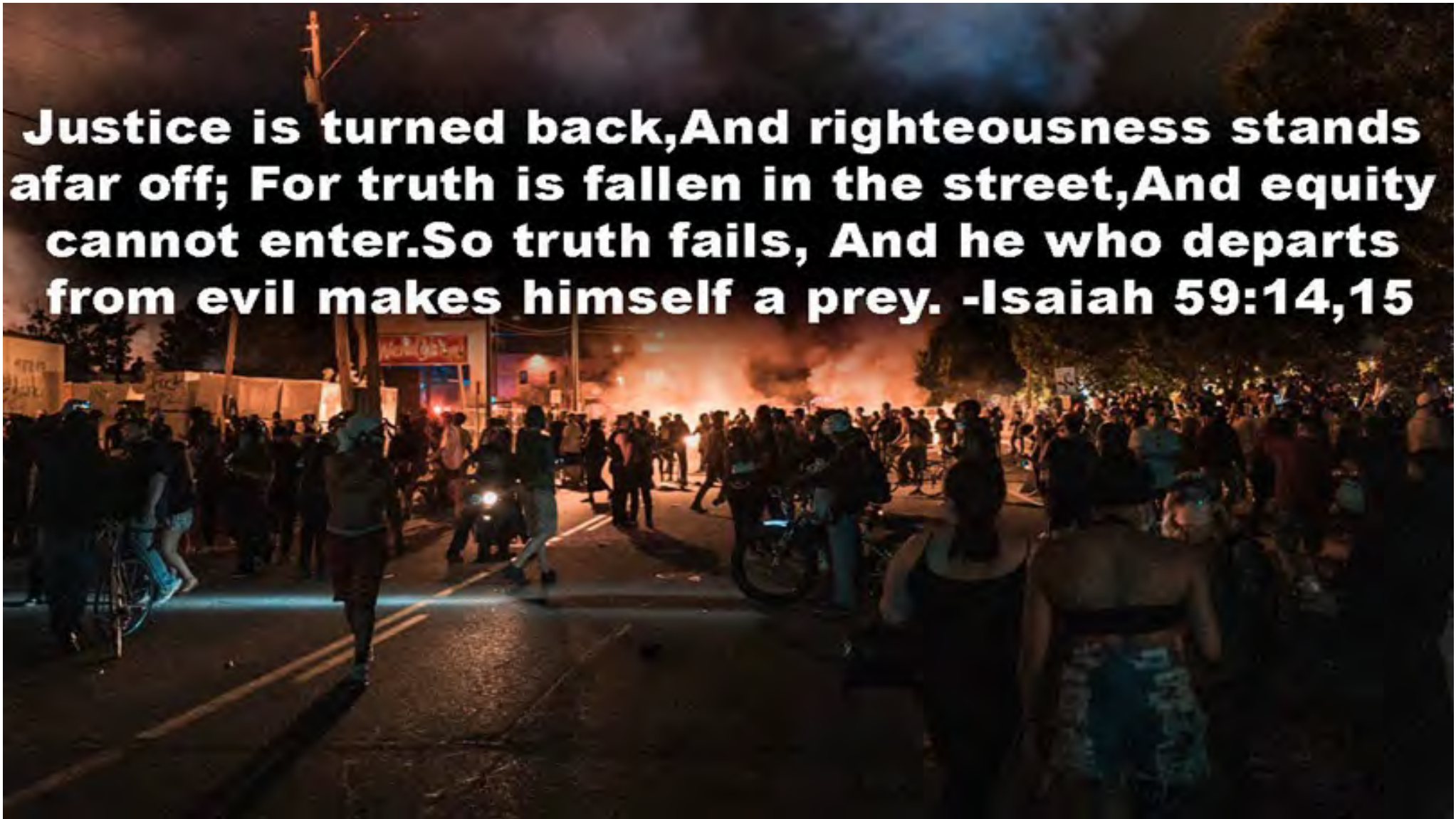
**Sancti-
fication**

Sovereignty

Service

So Long

Justice is turned back, And righteousness stands afar off; For truth is fallen in the street, And equity cannot enter. So truth fails, And he who departs from evil makes himself a prey. -Isaiah 59:14,15



Verse 24 - 25

**God gave them over to the lusts
of their hearts**

Phase 1 of rebellion against God:

THE SEXUAL REVOLUTION

What did the unclean hearts, lustful minds do?

“Dishonored their own bodies between themselves”

This is sexual immorality, free sex, anything goes sex

Throw out the True God, throw off all restraints!

THE DECEIVER IS AT WORK (verse 25)

“Who exchanged the truth of God for the lie”

Think Satan!

Verse 26 - 27

**God gave them over to vile passions,
unnatural affections**

Phase 2 of rebellion against God:

HOMOSEXUALITY

God does not stutter, He is straight forward;
homosexuality is a sin, plain and simple!

The CONSEQUENCE of this lifestyle:

*“Receiving in themselves the penalty of
their error which was due.”*

LBGTQ youth are four times more likely to attempt
suicide than their peers

Why is this lifestyle so devastating to the well-being of people?

*It is against God's prescribed order -
one man, one woman, for life in marriage*

Homosexual marriage is not marriage in the eyes of God!

God's creative order is not a mystery, it is not hidden, it is in plain sight! Genesis 1: 27

The Imago Dei establishes intrinsic worth for all humans



Satan's goal is to malign and distort God's creative order!

Verse 28 - 31

God gave them over to a debased mind

Phase 3 of rebellion against GOD:

A DEBASED MIND

A mind that has forgotten God – *no longer processes wrong*

The point of no return for a person or a nation – vs. 21

“ their foolish hearts were darkened.”

The darkened heart is worse than the sexually depraved heart – ***this darkness permeates every aspect of a person's life***

Verse 32

Those who practice such things are judged

Don't miss a key point at the end of verse 32:

“ those who practice such things are deserving of death.”

This speaks of a habitual way of life, not a temporary fall into sin

“ approve of those who practice them.”

Practicing is one thing, giving approval and recruiting others into sin is another!

Homosexuality recruits and transgenderism recruits

I believe America is in Phase 3 of judgment – *past the point of no return!*

Neither before nor after Josiah was there a king like him who turned to the Lord as he did—with all his heart and with all his soul and with all his strength, in accordance with all the Law of Moses.

2 Kings 23:25

Josiah's story

- Grandfather was Manasseh, a wicked king
- Father was Amon, a wicked king
- At age 8, Josiah became king
- At age 16, he began to seek the Lord (2Chron 34:3)
- From age 20 - 26 destroyed idols (2Chron 34:3-8)
- At age 26, ordered Temple repaired (2Kgs 22:3-7)
 - Book of the Law found and read (2Kgs 22:8-11)
 - The LORD consulted (2Kgs 22:12-20)
 - Law read and applied to people (2Kgs 23:1-23)
- At age 39, killed in battle

The Reign of King Josiah

He did what was right. (34:1-2)

Purged Judah and Jerusalem (34:3-7)

Repaired the house of the Lord (34:8-13)

The Book of the Law (34:14-32)

He had great sorrow (34:19-21)

Read the book to the people. (34:29-32)

Restored true worship. (34:33-35:19)

**America must put to death the self-sins and extol
and worship the True God!**

The cycle of self must be broken!

Self-absorption



Self-deification



Self-deception



Self-indulgence



Self-justification





Front row, left to right – Associate Justices Sonia Sotomayor, Clarence Thomas, Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., Associate Justices Samuel A. Alito, Jr. and Elena Kagan.

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God's promise to Israel

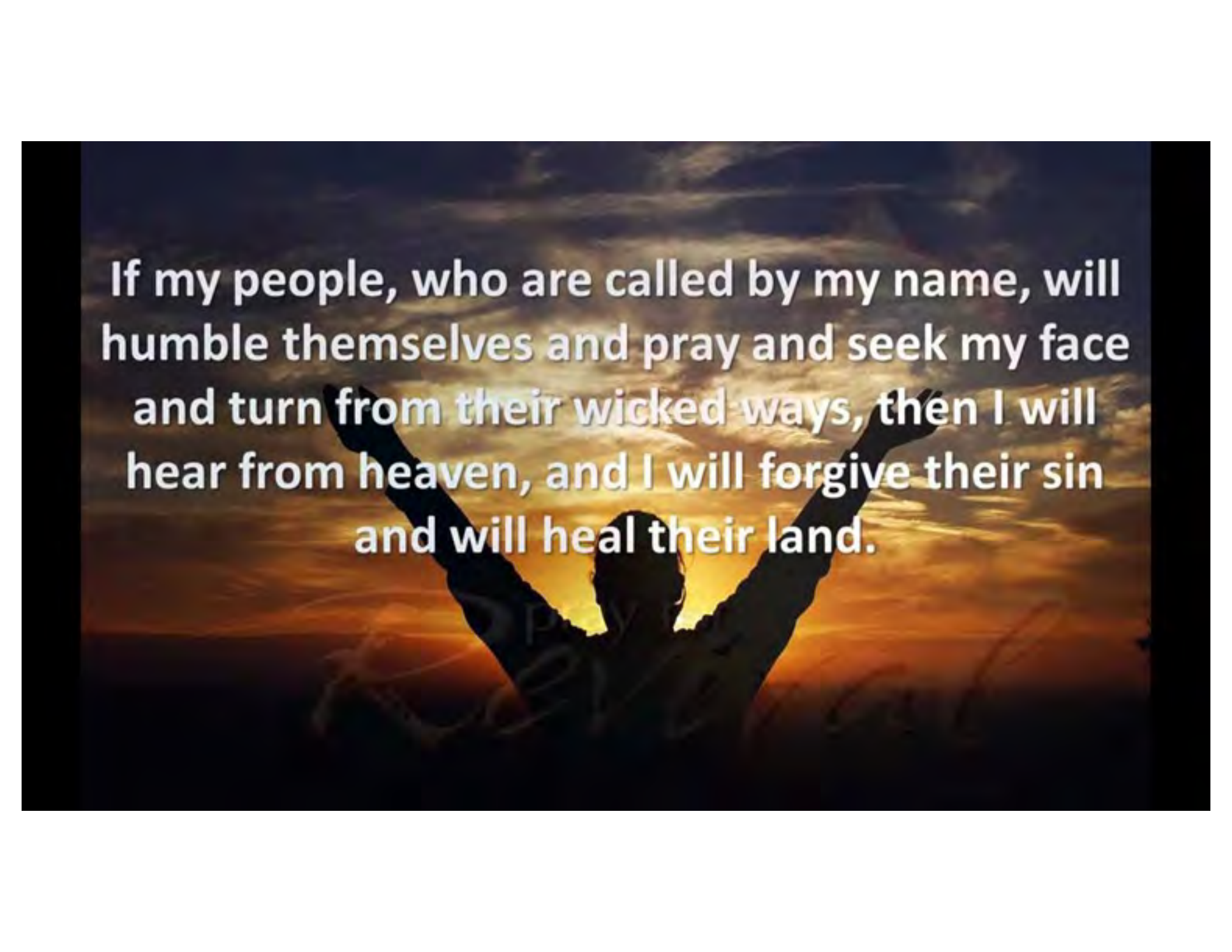
God's principle for America today

God to you, the people of God

2 Chronicles 7: 14

Focus on the words:

“humble”, “pray”, “seek”, “turn”

A person is shown in silhouette from behind, with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or prayer. They are standing in a field of tall grass. The background is a dramatic sunset or sunrise sky, with the sun low on the horizon, creating a bright glow and casting long, soft shadows. The sky is filled with wispy clouds, some of which are illuminated by the low sun, creating a mix of orange, yellow, and dark blue tones. The overall mood is one of hope, devotion, and spiritual connection.

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

ONE MORE TIME, LORD!

**PLEASE BRING REVIVAL AND
RENEWAL TO AMERICA!!**

GOD IS OUR ONLY HOPE!

***Not the government god, not democrat, not republican,
not independent, not more programs***

GOD!!

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