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CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM — LET'S START THE CONVERSATION!

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Segment.01 Hello. I'm Dr. Jerry Scheidbach, pastor of the Lighthouse Baptist Church in Santa Maria, CA—and your brain masseur—get ready for your brain massage.

Christian Nationalism—let's start the conversation. This will incorporate all other news topics I want to touch on. So, friends, it's time for your Brain Massage®!

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More and more people are talking about Christian Nationalism. It's about time! Todd Starnes has mentioned it several times,¹ James Dobson's name comes up in association with it² as does, of course, Mike Johnson³ — NPR⁴ has run some broadcasts on this, BBC,⁵ the

¹ 974.0.6-Associated Press Warns of Rise in 'White Christian Nationalism' - Todd Starnes <https://www.toddstarnes.com/media/associated-press-warns-of-rise-in-white-christian-nationalism/>. 974.0.7-Atheists Demand Congressman Remove 'Treasonous' Christian Flag - Todd Starnes <https://www.toddstarnes.com/faith/atheists-demand-congressman-remove-treasonous-christian-flag/>

² 974.0.8-The Influence of Christian nationalism in American politics | On Point <https://www.wbur.org/onpoint/2023/11/06/the-influence-of-christian-nationalism-in-american-politics>

³ 974.0.8-The Influence of Christian nationalism in American politics | On Point <https://www.wbur.org/onpoint/2023/11/06/the-influence-of-christian-nationalism-in-american-politics> 974.0.9-The Christian Nationalism of Speaker Mike Johnson | TIME <https://time.com/6329207/speaker-mike-johnson-christian-nationalism/>. 974.0.10-House Speaker Mike Johnson told a Christian nationalist event that God had prepared him to be Moses. <https://slate.com/news-and-politics/2023/12/mike-johnson-christian-nationalist-lawmakers-moses.html>

⁴ 974.0.2-Faith Leaders Speak Out Against Christian Nationalism / NPR <https://www.npr.org/2021/07/04/1013044426/faith-leaders-speak-out-against-christian-nationalism>

⁵ 974.0.1-BBC Speaks to Christian Nationalism in the U.S. <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-63902626>

Times⁶ has run some articles on the subject, the New Yorker,⁷ Christianity Today,⁸ and hundreds of others. It is fast becoming a central topic and theme for the 2024 election.

This is the conversation I wanted to instigate with my book, *God's War!* And I'm noticing an uptick in sales of that title of late —that's good! America needs to read this book! If you want a primer on why Christians ought to rule the world, get *God's War!* It's available as an eBook wherever you buy books. You can order it through Amazon if you prefer, but I recommend my books store, booksatdbp.com.

It's about time we had a national dialogue on the question of Christianity's role in the forming, founding, and flourishing of America. Included in this conversation is the topic: should Christianity influence politics and government today?

Current cultural trends are pressing the issue into the center of public debate, the nation's conversation with itself.

This has happened in other countries. Ireland, S. Korea, and S. Vietnam, and Poland, are examples.

Hungary is the most notable because it is the most like the U.S.

In fact, Hungary looks more like America than America! (The difference being that Catholics dominate Hungary which Protestants continue to dominate America: Hungary is 42.5% Christian, 29.2% Catholic and 9.8% Calvinists; in America there are 51 million Catholics and 141 million Protestants, where four of the

⁶ 974.0.3-A Group of Christians Are Fighting Christian Nationalism | TIME <https://time.com/6242260/christians-against-christian-nationalism-violence/>

⁷ 974.0.4-How Christian Is Christian Nationalism? | The New Yorker <https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2023/04/03/how-christian-is-christian-nationalism>

⁸ 974.0.5-What Is Christian Nationalism? | Christianity Today <https://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2021/february-web-only/what-is-christian-nationalism.html>

top ten Christian Protestant denominations in the U.S. are Baptist.⁹⁾

The political party of the Hungarian Prime Minister rose to power on a wave of popular reaction to the massive immigration of Muslims. The people realized the values and beliefs of the Muslim religion did not correspond to the values and beliefs of the predominantly Christian population of Hungary.¹⁰

Britain and France should wish they had done something like what Hungary did when they faced the problem.

It's not bigoted or prejudiced to recognize that the JW family down the street would not be a proper guest for your Christmas Tree decorating party. Or that a Muslim whose religion teaches death to all infidels would not be a good choice for the Mayor of your town. The best arguments in support of Hungary are Paris¹¹ and Berlin.¹² It's worthy of notice that the influence of Christianity in Hungary is far and away greater than it is in Paris or Berlin. So, here is what happened in Hungary!

⁹ The source is Christianity FAQ, found at <https://christianityfaq.com/largest-christian-denominations-america/>. Apparently, fearful someone will abuse their copyright, they block any attempt to copy or create a PDF facsimile, so I can't store it on my hard drive. This means the organization can change its data without accountability. It also means if the information is removed from the Internet, it will no longer be accessible.

¹⁰ 974.12.5-Christian Nationalism Britannica <https://www.britannica.com/topic/Christian-nationalism>

¹¹ 974.6.2-Anti-France protests/ Muslims hold rallies worldwide as tensions rise <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-54751920>. 974.6.3-Muslim in Paris/ Life inside the 'No-Go' zones - ABC7 Los Angeles <https://abc7.com/paris-parris-terrorists-attacks-muslim-islam/1088953/>

¹² 974.21.2-Muslim Anti-Semitism in Berlin/ "Wide Swaths of Arab-Speaking Population Harbor Sympathies for Terrorists" - DER SPIEGEL <https://www.spiegel.de/international/germany/muslim-anti-semitism-in-berlin-wide-swaths-of-arab-speaking-population-harbor-sympathies-for-terrorists-a-f7c73040-7be1-4509-9150-810266818f49>. 974.21.1-Germany's 5.5 million Muslims are often exposed to everyday, structural racism, report finds | AP News <https://apnews.com/article/germany-muslims-racism-islam-hostility-immigration-705155b8da000d2501c5b02f5bec7078>

The Prime Minister of Hungary, Viktor Orban, was interviewed by Tucker. I'll share a short clip of that interview in a moment. But Hungary's conservative Christian Prime Minister, with their conservative Christian Parliament, rose to power with a two-thirds majority in the National Assembly in 2020, following a national debate on the question of the role of Christianity in their culture and influence in their government.

One year after the new assembly was elected, a new Constitution was passed into law. It specifically recognizes “the role of Christianity in preserving nationhood.”¹³ It also speaks of the need for “spiritual and intellectual renewal.”¹⁴ During the migration crisis, when Hungary was overwhelmed by a monstrous influx of Muslims seeking asylum who were clearly uninterested or unwilling to assimilate into the country, Hungary responded frankly. Acknowledging the problems associated with sudden mass migration as opposed to slow and controlled assimilation, Hungary shut it down. The country openly declared their reason: “Most [refugees] are not Christian, but Muslim.”¹⁵ Then, in December 2020, the Hungarian legislature passed a law limiting adoptions to normal people, that is, not LGBTQ+, and mandated that children will be raised with “values based on our Christian culture.”¹⁶

So, here is the sort of leader you get in a Christian country:

[INSERT CLIP of ORBAN-19 seconds]

So, what is it? What is Christian Nationalism?

It depends on who you ask. And I'll offer some insight into this in a moment. But what is particularly important for us to understand

¹³ <https://www.britannica.com/topic/Christian-nationalism>: History and Examples, paragraph 2.

¹⁴ Ibid.

¹⁵ Ibid.

¹⁶ Ibid.

right now is that the LEFT is totally in freak-out mode over the idea that Trump is reviving Christian involvement in politics — wait! Actually, that's not their problem. The Left, and just say the word "World" when you say LEFT; the world is okay with namby-pamby sissified, milquetoast, Jezebel-lovin', belly-serving, Baphomet boot-licking, ear-tickling, Christianettes, who think the best way to win the world is to slap a smiley face on their façade — the same crowd that fell for the lie that Christians should not be involved in politics because, you know, why would you want to shine GOSPEL LIGHT into the darkest sphere of life in America — right? Much better to just turn that over to Satan and the children of disobedience — well, how's that workin' for ya?

I mean, who needs that? Right? And why preach righteousness — that doesn't sell tickets to heaven! What's the matter with you telling people they will go to hell if they don't repent — don't you know you catch more bees with honeypot preaching that dances around words like *hell* and *repentance*. Don't you know your job is to pass out free passes to Heaven — so, what's hell and repentance got to do with that? If the objective is to get them to repeat a prayer, it's a whole lot easier if you just leave all that YOUR LIFE IS EXPECTED TO CHANGE, that bit about CHRIST BEING LORD ACTUALLY, HEHE, MEANS SOMETHING — but don't elaborate on that — always say LOVE LOVE, LOVE — after all, it's what the world needs now — when you say LORD, don't say it loud and by no means should you explain what it means — leave that in the fine print. Haven't you learned anything the Devil has been trying to teach you for decades?

Leave all that bit about "created unto good works" stuff for after they've made a "profession," then you can teach them how to act like the Christian that they aren't; that is if they stick around for your rock concert and pie socials after they begin discovering some of the fine print.

Anyway, not every New Cart church is fairly represented by my rant — I do understand some are worse than others, and I also know there are some rocked-out churches that have more gospel in them than an Olsteen book — I read an article the other day that named five of the wealthiest Christian ministers in the country and went through all their books and could not find the name JESUS a single time, not in one single time in any of their books. I don't know; that seems like you'd have to try hard to write a Christian book and avoid mentioning the ONLY NAME GIVEN AMONG MEN UNDER HEAVEN WHEREBY WE MUST BE SAVED — I'm just sayin'.

I'm setting something up here, so be patient! The world does not know what Christianity is, but they know what brand of Christianity they like. If they say there is some sort of Christianity that does not affirm that JESUS CHRIST IS GOD MANIFEST IN THE FLESH, that JESUS is CHRIST, THE KING promised by our CREATOR, that JESUS CHRIST IS KING and ALL MANKIND HIS SUBJECTS, they have not been reading our FOUNDERS, they've been reading the GOD hating antichrist historians that hate our Founders. They've been drinking the bilge water Satan has dipped from wicked hearts — the sort who would impugn a man's character when he is not around to defend himself — who say, yeah, Washington wrote that, but he meant this! Men who accuse our Founders of being Christ-denying Deists when everything they wrote and said testifies otherwise.

For example, here you go! Here is Heidi Przybyla (I understand it's Polish and pronounced *Shoo-bu-lah*)¹⁷ explaining Christian Nationalism.

[INSERT Heidi Przybyla — 21 seconds]

¹⁷ <https://forvo.com/word/przybyla/>

Has Heidi never read the Declaration of Independence? Endowed by their CREATOR with certain inalienable rights! That's where you find it, Heidi — in the genesis of our founding documents. It's only the single most essential principle of our founding upon which every other right rests.

So, the evil ones have contrived to demonize something called “Christian Nationalism!” — associate it with “White Supremacy” and the boogeyman THEOCRACY — now, that's a scary word! and now attach Christian Nationalism with the FOUNDING PREMISE of all our LIBERTIES — they are going for broke.

They view Christianity Today as so pathetic, weak, and worldly, they will pull Christians away from Trump because they will not want to be associated with Christian Nationalism. Don't fall for it.

Hold on through the break; I'll be right back!

Segment.02 Hello. Welcome back! I'm Dr. Jerry Scheidbach, pastor at the Lighthouse, your brain masseur, and Paul Revere's lantern lighter, lighting the lamps in the church belfry arch, signaling the enemy is on the march, an enemy that would steal from us our liberty.

Heidi Przybyla (Shoe-Bu-Lah), a political journalist for Politico, warns that we all had better get read in on words like Christian Nationalists, which, she says, is defined by the belief that our rights descend from GOD and not the government. She is very alarmed that Trump has awakened Christian Nationalism in America and given them a platform to exert influence on our political institutions.

Oh, you mean like in the 50s when some Christian patriots wanted to protect our Christian nation from the influence of godless Communism and so formalized our motto into IN GOD WE TRUST, and inserted into the pledge ONE NATION UNDER GOD — expressing our founders' belief that “The **LORD** is our judge, the

LORD is our **lawgiver**, the **LORD** is our **king**; he will save us” (Isaiah 33:22).

According to Heidi’s definition, our FOUNDERS were Christian Nationalists.

Listen to what they said:

George Washington: "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.”¹⁸

2nd U.S. President and Signer of the Declaration of Independence: JOHN ADAMS

"Suppose a nation in some distant Region should take the Bible for their only law Book, and every member should regulate his conduct by the precepts there exhibited! Every member would be obliged in conscience, to temperance, frugality, and industry; to justice, kindness, and charity towards his fellow men; and to piety, love, and reverence toward Almighty God ... What a Eutopia, what a Paradise would this region be.”¹⁹

John Adams, again:

"The general principles, on which the Fathers achieved independence, were ... the general Principles of Christianity...

¹⁸ --The Writings of Washington, pp. 342-343. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

¹⁹ --Diary and Autobiography of John Adams, Vol. III, p. 9. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

"Now I will avow, that I then believe, and now believe, that those general Principles of Christianity, are as eternal and immutable, as the Existence and [Attributes of God](#); and that those Principles of Liberty, are as unalterable as human Nature"²⁰

Thomas Jefferson

3rd U.S. President, Drafter and Signer of the Declaration of Independence

"God who gave us life gave us liberty. And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the Gift of God? That they are not to be violated but with His wrath? Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that His justice cannot sleep forever..."²¹

"I am a real Christian – that is to say, a disciple of the doctrines of Jesus Christ."²²

John Hancock

1st Signer of the Declaration of Independence

"Resistance to tyranny becomes the Christian and social duty of each individual. ... Continue steadfast and, with a proper sense of your dependence on God, nobly defend

²⁰ -Adams wrote this on June 28, 1813, excerpt from a letter to Thomas Jefferson. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

²¹ --Notes on the State of Virginia, Query XVIII, p. 237. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

²² --The Writings of Thomas Jefferson, p. 385. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

those rights which heaven gave, and no man ought to take from us.”²³

Benjamin Franklin

Signer of the Declaration of Independence and Unites States Constitution

"Here is my Creed. I believe in one God, the [Creator of the Universe](#). That He governs it by His Providence. That He ought to be worshipped.

"That the most acceptable service we render to him is in doing good to his other children. That the soul of man is immortal and will be treated with justice in another life respecting its conduct in this. These I take to be the fundamental points in all sound religion, and I regard them as you do in whatever sect I meet with them.”²⁴

Samuel Adams

Signer of the Declaration of Independence and Father of the American Revolution

"And as it is our duty to extend our wishes to the happiness of the great family of man, I conceive that we cannot better express ourselves than by humbly supplicating the [Supreme Ruler](#) of the world that the rod of tyrants may be broken to pieces, and the oppressed made free again; that wars may cease in all the earth, and that the confusions that are and have been among nations may be overruled by promoting and speedily bringing on that holy and happy period when

²³ --History of the United States of America, Vol. II, p. 229. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

²⁴ --Benjamin Franklin wrote this in a letter to Ezra Stiles, President of Yale University on March 9, 1790. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ may be everywhere established, and all people everywhere willingly bow to the sceptre of Him who is Prince of Peace."²⁵

John Quincy Adams **6th U.S. President — On the Bible**

"The hope of a Christian is inseparable from his faith. Whoever believes in the divine inspiration of the Holy Scriptures must hope that the religion of Jesus shall prevail throughout the earth. Never since the foundation of the world have the prospects of mankind been more encouraging to that hope than they appear to be at the present time. And may the associated distribution of the Bible proceed and prosper till the Lord shall have made 'bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God' (Isaiah 52:10)."²⁶

William Penn **Founder of Pennsylvania**

"I do declare to the whole world that we believe the Scriptures to contain a declaration of the mind and will of God in and to those ages in which they were written; being given forth by the Holy Ghost moving in the hearts of holy men of God; that they ought also to be read, believed, and

²⁵ --As Governor of Massachusetts, Proclamation of a Day of Fast, March 20, 1797. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

²⁶ --Life of John Quincy Adams, p. 248. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

fulfilled in our day; being used for reproof and instruction, that the man of God may be perfect. They are a declaration and testimony of heavenly things themselves, and, as such, we carry a high respect for them. We accept them as the words of God Himself."²⁷

Alexander Hamilton

Signer of the Declaration of Independence and Ratifier of the U.S. Constitution

"I have carefully examined the evidences of the Christian religion, and if I was sitting as a juror upon its authenticity I would unhesitatingly give my verdict in its favor."²⁸

Patrick Henry

Ratifier of the U.S. Constitution

"It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ. For this very reason peoples of other faiths have been afforded asylum, prosperity, and freedom of worship here."²⁹

"The Bible ... is a book worth more than all the other books that were ever printed."

--Sketches of the Life and Character of Patrick Henry, p. 402.

John Jay

²⁷ --Treatise of the Religion of the Quakers, p. 355. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

²⁸ --Famous American Statesmen, p. 126. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

²⁹ --The Trumpet Voice of Freedom: Patrick Henry of Virginia, p. iii. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

1st Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court and President of the American Bible Society

"By conveying the Bible to people thus circumstanced, we certainly do them a most interesting kindness. We thereby enable them to learn that man was originally created and placed in a state of happiness, but, becoming disobedient, was subjected to the degradation and evils which he and his posterity have since experienced.

"The Bible will also inform them that our gracious Creator has provided for us a Redeemer, in whom all the nations of the earth shall be blessed; that this Redeemer has made atonement 'for the sins of the whole world,' and thereby reconciling the Divine justice with the Divine mercy has opened a way for our [redemption](#) and salvation; and that these inestimable benefits are of the free gift and grace of God, not of our deserving, nor in our power to deserve."³⁰

"In forming and settling my belief relative to the [doctrines of Christianity](#), I adopted no articles from [creeds](#) but such only as, on careful examination, I found to be confirmed by the Bible."³¹

John Jay, [Cliffs Notes on The Federalist](#)

"Providence has given to our people the choice of their ruler, and it is the duty, as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation to select and prefer Christians for their

³⁰ --In God We Trust—The Religious Beliefs and Ideas of the American Founding Fathers, p. 379. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

³¹ --American Statesman Series, p. 360. <https://www.learnreligions.com/christian-quotes-of-the-founding-fathers-700789>

rulers. John Jay First Chief Justice of the US Supreme Court.”³²

I asked what it means to be a Christian Nationalist, and I said it depends on who you ask. I think if you asked Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Hancock, Franklin, Sam Adams, John Quincy, William Penn, Alexander Hamilton, Patrick Henry, or John Jay—they would wonder what was your problem. Of course, America is a Christian Nation.

Christian Nationalism is the belief that our Nation is and should continue to be Christian in its principles and precepts.

And that means biblical — it’s clear that was the idea held in the minds and hearts of our founders.

America is a nation uniquely founded by Christians upon the teachings of Christ. Its fundamental precepts are all rooted in Christian doctrine.

Even the concept of consent of the governed and innocent until proven guilty and this, the most fundamental of all our essential Christian principles — all men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights.

If Christian Nationalism means we acknowledge CHRIST AS KING, the DECLARATION as the cornerstone principle of governance, and the CONSTITUTION AS THE LAW OF THE LAND, then I think most of us would be comfortable identifying as Christian Nationalists — with the belief that all of these are founded upon the BIBLE and are derived from the BIBLE.

Let me tell you something, you raging foolish heathen. Let Christians rule America, and you won’t have any man telling you you have to call them a woman. Put Christians in leadership, and

³² <https://www.goodreads.com/quotes/10363764-providence-has-given-to-our-people-the-choice-of-their> 974.0.12-John Jay QUOTE Choose Christian Rulers <http://www.faithofourfathers.net/jay.html>

you won't have this nonsense of open borders or corrupt politicians protecting the sex trafficking of women and children. The Fentanyl pushers will be destroyed, the vice industry will be destroyed, they will no longer prey on our children. You won't have Drag Queens destroying the natural instincts of children, perverting their affections, and destroying their consciences. — you'll have the sword of civil judgment bringing down the wicked and not whacking down political opponents. But I'll also tell you you won't have anybody telling you what to believe or what you can or can't say regarding politics or pharmaceuticals — you won't have the government sticking you with mandated vaccines that are killing people. You won't have someone threatening to send you to a reeducation camp to brainwash you.

Look, I'd much rather live in the America founded by our Founders than this mess Obama and Biden have made. Obama said, "America is no longer a Christian Nation" — well, to the extent his remark reflects the spiritual condition of Americans, we need to change that. But the fact is, at its core, America is still ONE NATION UNDER GOD, and it will be up to CHRISTIANS to stand up to these raging heathens and put a stop to this craziness.

Many Christians, by the way, reject Christian Nationalism. Why?

I'll talk about it on my Brain Massage® LIVE podcast Saturday night. And I'll probably do a few more shows on this subject also. There are a lot of questions about this, and it's time we had that conversation in America. Christians need to beware they don't fall into the trap of letting the world define what they believe.

I have lit the lamps in the Church belfry arch, and now you let me know if you see them.

Email me by going to our website at branmassage.net. That's brainmassage.net. Find the CONTACT button and send me an email.

You can leave a message on our Listener Response Hotline:
805.314.2114.

God bless you. God bless America! I'll see you in Church.