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Theme Verse: **Daniel 9:3**

"I turned to the Lord God and pleaded with Him in prayer and petition, in fasting, and in sackcloth and ashes."



Vote by November 3rd!

Pray for our country

Pray for our leaders

Pray in thanks for how God has blessed our nation

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Is this Last Call for America?

Welcome to our Fall edition of The Way of Business (TWOB) Newsletter for 2020. As we quickly approach November 3, 2020 within an election year, there could be no better topic than this election and how the outcome will affect the future of our nation. While TWOB doesn't take part in political races between candidates, what does come to the forefront of our interest is what values will be honored and enforced by our elected officials. Never before in our history has America's code of values come into stronger view than this very year and the outcome of this year's presidential election will most certainly have lasting effects morally, fiscally and socially.

In the November 2020 edition of the Decision Magazine, Franklin Graham does believe that this is "Last Call for America," illustrated within his article by this same title. Franklin specifically outlines a number of subjects that indicates a Democratic agenda that will dramatically remake our

nation in their own radical image. He goes on to state that our hope cannot rest upon Republican or Democratic parties; God alone is the only hope we have and need. Our country, founded on Christian principles, has moved so far away from God that many of those principles are no longer recognized.

It is vital that we vote by November 3rd and make sure to vote in a manner that honors our Lord, Jesus Christ. In the meantime, we all need to be in prayer. I appreciated Franklin's request that "each of us spend concentrated time in prayer, calling on God for His hand of mercy, and for Him to stay His hand of judgment against America for the sins of our land." For those of us needing some direction in concentrated prayer for our nation, one of the greatest lessons comes to us in the book of Daniel, chapter

Daniel was much in the same situation as we face as a nation today. By studying this chapter, we learn that Daniel was compelled to pray; he was knowledgeable of the prophetic word spoken by Jeremiah and the conditions of the Israelites. Within his prayers he appealed to God on the promises God provided to Jeremiah. Daniel was confident within his prayers, as we was confident in God's integrity and mercy. Daniel was contrite and humble in spirit as he prayed, never placing blame but including himself with the many that needed to repent and become faithful unto the Lord.

By reading Daniel's prayer it is easy to see how we need to recognize how our prayers should include many of the same words:

"We have been wicked and rebelled; we have turned away from Your commands and laws."

"Lord, You are righteous, but this day we are covered with shame."

"O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! For Your sake, O my God, do not delay..."

In conclusion, be a courageous leader in these times, pray as Daniel prayed, and vote!

A Silver Lining Within the COVID-19 Pandemic

While it can be tough to identify good news within the subject of our COVID-19 pandemic, Youth for Christ (YFC) is Spokane, which *TWOB* devotes much support, has undertaken a mission of great value to our teens. YFC has completed a remodel of their West Central campus that now includes virtual learning stations where students can come and complete their online education requirements. This service includes special mentoring and additional education opportunities within the City Life ministry of YFC. *TWOB* president Carl Tompkins states that this is a great advancement for YFC in helping our youth achieve success in becoming complete in their education and prepared for positive impact as adults!

TWOB Prayer and Research Delivers Help for the Church

A subject near and dear to *TWOB* President Carl Tompkins is the church and during he and his wife's travels this past August, the Lord had put on his heart to research and write what God intends for the church to gain through the COVID-19 pandemic. As much that has been written on this subject, Tompkins completed assignment took on a rather interesting twist.

His completed work was entitled, "Rebooting the Church." Applying the same meaning to the church as one would to a computer, rebooting pertains to reprograming. In other words, what isn't working needs to be replaced with what will. The essential element within this rebooting process for the church is to get back to featuring Jesus Christ as the focal point of worship. Much of the problem within the church is that there are too many distractions causing attendees to fail in having Jesus within their daily walk of life. While there are many subjects to cover in running a church, often programs, featured lecturers, pastors, music, facilities and operations

cause Jesus to come into sixth place. Instead, the church must make it a priority to fully portray the full vision of Christ on a regular basis causing the audience to treasure Him. Jesus must be number one at all times. The result of this mission is people living a committed life for Christ by being with Him each step of the way.

A number of resources were utilized to outline how the church can evaluate their condition on this matter, along with what steps to take to make sure that Jesus is the focus within worship. Many fascinating elements were discovered during Tompkins work.

The full article, "Rebooting the Church" can be downloaded from the *TWOB* website (TWOB.org) within the library section of the website.

In closing, Tompkins shared that God made very clear to him that people will be drawn back to the church by those who complete and maintain this mission. God's work through His Church will be miraculous!

Food Bank Help is Needed

The Mead Food Bank desires to locate a facility in the Mead area to house the operation of the food bank prior to January 31, 2021. The Mead Food Bank needs approximately 2500 – 3000 square feet of heated warehouse space with good street access for operating its ministry to the community. The Mead Food Bank serves several hundred families living in the Mead area and in surrounding neighborhoods. Please contact Dar Grewe at 509-326-7500 for additional information or questions.

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