

The Gospel Herald

“As the truth is in Jesus” (Ephesians 4:21)

For The LORD’S PILGRIMS, STRANGERS & SOJOURNERS

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In God We Trust

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance (Psalm 33:12).

As we look at the American currency, coins and paper money, we find the national motto inscribed and printed, “IN GOD WE TRUST.” It is quite interesting as to how such national motto came about.

It began by a letter written by the Rev. M. R. Watkinson dated Nov. 13, 1861, petitioning the treasury department of the government to add a statement recognizing “Almighty God in some form on our coins” to “relieve us from the ignominy from heathenism.”

In 1873, Congress passed the “Coinage Act,” granting the secretary of the treasury to inscribe “IN GOD WE TRUST” on all coins.

“IN GOD WE TRUST” was declared as the “National Motto” by the 84th Congress and signed by President Eisenhower on July 30, 1956, which mandated all paper money to include the national motto, “IN GOD WE TRUST.”

Unbeknown to our forefather’s establishment and constitution of America that this historical “National Motto” could in time include all religions’ deities, but it was determined to recognize the God of the Holy Bible on whom the founding principles of America were established (Per the “Mayflower Compact” of the Puritan Pilgrims who landed on the eastern coast of Virginia in the 1600’s).

From that initial landing of the Pilgrims’ ships on the continent, which would be named America, came the historical declaration that this new land was founded, “In the name of God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,” whose deity the inscription on our American currency was to reflect through the ages of time.

Now, here we are 240 years since the establishment of “The United States of America,” with our currency continuing to reflect “IN GOD WE TRUST,” which now in the year 2017 can cause all religious deities to be included in that national motto.

Cannot the Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, and all other world religions claim the same from our currency? Cannot any religious group of pagan origin claim that the American currency reflects their god?

For every paper bill you pull from your wallet or purse has those words printed on them, “IN GOD WE TRUST.” Oh! How such words have been abused by the non-Christian world of people who have infiltrated the borders of The United States of America, who believe not, nor trust in The Lord God Almighty of the Holy Scriptures; let alone the natural-born Americans who have a history of generations which can be traced back to our founding Fathers, whose heritage can be traced back to Christ-honoring ancestry, who loved and worshipped our Lord Jesus Christ.

The God to whom the dear Rev. M. R. Watkinson in 1861 was referring is the God of the Holy scriptures, deity which became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth, the Lord Jesus Christ as referenced in the gospel of John 1:14.

This same deity that “pleased God the Father that in him (Jesus) should all fullness dwell” (Col. 1:19). “Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth ALL the fullness of the Godhead bodily” (Col. 2:8-9).

This, my friends, is the deity God whom we are admonished to “TRUST.” Sadly, to report that this United States of America as a people has departed from TRUSTING in such God and Saviour.

We trust in the arm of the flesh, the strength of military, “for men shall be lovers of selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy. Without natural affection, truce breakers, false accusers, etc. (II Tim. 3:1-5).

The United States of America, in this day in which we live, has become a breeding ground for anti-Christ Islam, and other peoples who worship pagan gods who do not represent the biblical principles on which this nation was founded. We, as a nation, have fallen into the same spoiled and rebellious attitude as early Israel, and I am persuaded that the God of the Holy scriptures is lifting his divine grace from our land. Just look at the withdrawal of Christian worship attendance from what it was 50 years ago; meeting houses were filled with worshipping attendees. Look at the acceptance of homosexuality, same-sex marriages and legal adoption of children by those of the same sex.

We, dear friends, are seeing the “perilous times” of which the apostle Paul prophesied, and are observing the demise of what was the greatest nation in the world, which was blessed with God’s favor and divine grace. We (IMHO), as Christian believers in the salvation of God by free and sovereign grace, through our Lord Jesus Christ, should be looking upward for that soon-appearing of that great and wondrous advent of Christ’s imminent return for that “remnant bride,” for whom Christ has given his life blood to save eternally.

For the God in whom Christ’s bride trusts is the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Those who are caused to believe and trust in this loving Saviour and seeker of his sheep; those who he came to seek and to save shall endure till the end. For Christ’s promises are irrevocable and steadfast. So, press on, weary pilgrims and sojourners, for our ultimate redemption draweth nigh.

“I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on JESUS’ name,” So, let the heathen rage and trust in their pagan gods, for in that day “every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that JESUS CHRIST IS LORD.”

Humbly submitted as truth as it has been revealed to me.

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