AMERICA’S MISSING PIECE

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RICHARD WURMBRAND:
“America is the hope of every enslaved man, because it is the last bastion of freedom in the world ...

If it crumbles, there is no other dike, no other dam; No other line of defense to fall back upon.

America is the last hope of millions of enslaved peoples. They look to it as their second fatherland. In it lies their hopes and prayers.”
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It Is Definitely Not Going Like We Want It To Go In America. Something Is Missing – It’s Hard To Place A Finger On But There Is Something Just Not Right. A Missing Piece That We Have To Find
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In America Today There Is Something Missing

• It Is An Uneasy Time With Uneasy People
• Will We Value And Hold On To Our Freedoms?
• Where Will We Find Peace?
• Peace Is America’s Missing Piece
REV. JACOB DUCHE
The First Prayer Of The Continental Congress
Called On God To Bless America – SEPT 7, 1774
This First Prayer Of The Continental Congress Called On God To Bless America

- Called On The Almighty And Named Him:
- King Of Kings And Lord Of Lords
- Heavenly Father And God Of Wisdom

The Best Way To See What We Are Missing Is To See What We Had When We Started

- 34% of the founders’ quotes came directly out of the Bible
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• America Started With A Heart For God
• A Determination For Each Segment Of Government To Be Inline With And Blessed By No Sovereign But God And No King But Jesus!
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My Country Tis Of Thee written by Samuel Francis Smith

(4) Our Fathers God To Thee, Author Of Liberty, To The We Sing
Long May Our Land Be Bright With Freedoms Holy Light.
Protect Us By Thy Might, Great God, Our King!

Yes, America Started Under A King -- That King Is Jesus!
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• Today’s Godless Skeptics, Scoffers, and Doubters Have Sidetracked Our Nation And Set Aside Ongoing Blessings.

• They Have Used Their Rebellious Ungodly Energy To Push Back Against God, His Authority And His People.

• Instead Of Confessing Their Sin They Have Reveled In It
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**President Andrew Jackson:** “The Greatest Attack May Come From Within – Guard Yourselves.”

**Daniel Webster** A Leading American Statesman:

“To Reject Our Faith Would Be a Catastrophe”
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Peace Is Found In One Place – In Relationship With God

Psalm 127:1–2 (NIV84) — 1 Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain. 2 In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat— for he grants sleep to those he loves.

• *To Look For Security Without The Lord Is Useless*
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• There is a place of protection, prosperity – rest & refreshing to those whom God loves.
• The person who trusts in God will find the missing peace.
• We all need to rest in the Lord and His peace.
• Those who’ve left the Lord must come back to His peace.
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Everything In Life Is In Vain Unless God Is In It

• We Are Not Designed To Live Apart From Him
• We Will Never Find Life’s Best Outside Of Him

• America Has Thought To Put God On The Shelf and Be Independent Of God – But It Has Been To Our Own Peril
• We Can Never Know Peace Without God -- Everything Depends On His Blessing.
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Matthew 6:31–34 (NIV84) — 31 So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ 32 For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. 33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

We Need To Seek First The Kingdom -- The Place Of Peace

- We Need God’s: Intervention – Solutions – Blessing --Kingdom
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• Only God Brings Peace – Peace Does Not Come To Enemies Of God – They Will Never Know Peace

• Those Without God Will Be Always Searching But Never Finding Peace Until They Come To The Lord

• No Human Endeavor Leads To Any Significant Accomplishments Without The Hand Of God And His Blessing On It

• Jesus Said, “Apart From Me You Can Do Nothing.”
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• When world’s people want peace they look to other people, nations, and leaders to bring peace -- they neglect to understand that they cannot have peace between one another until they have peace with God

Isaiah 57:21 (NLT) — 21 There is no peace for the wicked,” says my God.

• The only hope is in turning to God — the only solution.

• That is why there is a missing piece peace.

• When you throw off God you throw off His answers & His Peace
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We Can Only Find Happiness Joy And Peace In Relationship With God

When Our Relationship With God Is In Disrepair -- Peace Is Lacking -- It's Just Not There.

Mankind Looking For Peace In All The Wrong Places In All The Wrong Ways-it Is Not Found Anywhere Except In God
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• Every Peace-Destroying Action Is Due To Having The Wrong Heart
• Missing Peace In Life Is Caused By Having A Heart That Is Not Given Over & Consumed With God – And With The Things Of God
• The Heart That Rejects God Will Never Live in Peace
• Peace Must Come From the Inside -- Not From The Outside
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Today -- At The Same Time People Are Crying "Peace, Peace" The Level Of Violence In Our World Is Dramatically Increasing

• 2 Tim 3:1-5 (NIV) "But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days." (2) "People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy," (3) "without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good," (4) "treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God--“ (5) "having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them."

• As Longs As Our People’s Hearts Are Filled With Treachery And Terror That Peace Won’t Come
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THERE IS NO PEACE FOR THE WORLDLY AND WICKED:

Isa 48:22 (NIV) ""There is no peace," says the LORD, "for the wicked."

Isa 59:8 (NIV) "The way of peace they do not know; there is no justice in their paths. They have turned them into crooked roads; no one who walks in them will know peace."
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- Peace Often Comes Indirectly.
- Peace Is Often A Byproduct Of Righteousness.

**Isaiah 32:17 (NIV84) — 17** The fruit of righteousness will be peace; the effect of righteousness will be quietness and confidence forever.

- Righteousness = Being In Right Standing With God
- When In Right Standing With God, We Will Have Peace
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- We Cannot Find Peace If We Forget God
- If We Walk In Disobedience & Ignore His Will And Ways--We Miss Out On Both Righteousness And Peace
- Isaiah 48:18 (NIV84) — 18 If only you had paid attention to my commands, your peace would have been like a river, your righteousness like the waves of the sea.
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Peace Only Comes From A Heart That Is Righteous
Christ Made A Way For Us To Have Peace Through the Cross
We Can Be Restored From Life’s Conflicts & At Peace With God

John 16:33 (NIV) ""I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.""
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• Eph 2:14 (NIV) "For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,"

• Phil 4:7 (NIV) "And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."
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Who Is Going To Have Peace In This Life? God’s People!

Psalm 29:11 (NIV) (11) The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.
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• The First Step Of Peace Is A Personal Peace With God Which Comes When We Accept Jesus Christ As Savior

• The 2nd Step Of Peace Is To Know That Peace Of God Which Is Available On A Daily Basis --Participate In The Christian Way Of Life According To The Plan Of God.
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- **Jesus Christ Alone Can Give You Lasting Peace**
- **John 14:27 (NIV) (27) Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.**

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- **John 16:33 (NIV)** (33) "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."

- **You Cannot Have The Peace Of God Until You Know The God Of Peace**

- **Jesus Has Given Us A Way To Know Peace In This World It Is Of Him -- It Is By Him -- It Is In Him!**
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He Does Not Bring Us To Peace -- He Is The Peace

Christ Has Now Done Away With All Barriers

He Has Broken Them All Down By The Blood Of His Cross
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- *When Christ Died For Us -- He Defeated Sin And Its Effects*

- *The Obstacles And Barriers To Peace With God Are Removed By The Work Of Christ For Our Salvation*
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- *When You Believe In God And Trust Him For Your Salvation You Can Be Reconciled To Him*
- *No Longer An Enemy But Part Of A Forever Family*
- *Adopted -- Reconciled To God – And His Peace*
America’s Missing Peace

Peace is Available To America And To All Who Come To Christ

- America's Missing Peace Is Found In Christ
- We Need To Receive The Great Gospel Of Peace
- We Need To Declare The Great Gospel Of Peace
- We Can Be At Peace With God And Have His Peace In Our Lives
- Sin’s Grip Is Overcome, And Hostility Is Gone!