

Downfall of America: A Biblical Analysis

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Abstract: The United States of America has been the definition of successful civil independence for close to two-and-a-half centuries. Millions of immigrants have traveled to America in hopes of a better future that their previous homeland could not and, perhaps, would not offer. Nevertheless, the United States of America has been steadily backsliding spiritually since, at least, the 1950s. While some look to the United States Constitution as the cure to all civil ills, both Deuteronomy 28:15-68 and Romans 1:18-32 of *The Holy Bible* reveal America to be under spiritual judgment. The aim of this analysis is to uncover the root cause of America's downfall and to provide a Biblical solution to the never-ending events that now plague this nation.

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Introduction

There is little doubt that America has largely been the epitome of civil prosperity compared to most nations for the past two-and-a-half centuries. The United States (U.S.) Constitution includes key components that other nations cannot, or do not, allow: the right to keep and bear arms for self-defense (2nd Amendment), as well as the freedom of religious expression (1st Amendment, which can be both a challenge and a win for believers trying to spread the Gospel to all nations; Matthew 28:18-20; Constitution Annotated, n.d.). But the steady rise of porn addiction in the 50s (RISE, 2019; Inter Exchange, 2020; Stop The Kinsey Institute, 2021; et al.); the start of a “free spirited” movement in the 60s (Kozak, 2018; Vietze, Jones, Dovidio, et al., 2017; Kington, 2014; et al.); the political welcoming of abortion, homosexuality, and feminism in the 70s (Find Law, 2021; Ham, 2009; Habakus, Holland, and Rosenberg, 2012; et al.); medical tyranny in the 80s (Habakus, Holland, and Rosenberg, 2012; U.S. Food & Drug Administration, 2021; Dr. Rath Health Foundation, 2007; et al.); dependency on, and the increasing dangers of, technology in the 90s (Lemmens, Bushman, and Konijn, 2006; Smithsonian Institution, n.d.; Garry, 2017; et al.); the continued removal of creationism for the substitution of theoretical

evolution in both academia and medicine, as well as the continued rise of homosexuality and promiscuity, in the early 2000s (Guinness World Records, 2021; Szasz, 2021; Turban, 2020; et al.); the electing of a 2008 POTUS based on ethnicity rather than on character (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 2021; The White House, n.d.; Rosentiel, 2008; et al.); and many other events not mentioned in this retrospective-like analysis began to plague and destroy America from within. Although many Americans have tried, and continue to try, to stand true to some of the basics of *The Holy Bible*, discussed throughout this analysis are various events that are both key factors in the moral decline of America. For this nation to see true change, these issues must be acknowledged and rebuked on a local and a national level. America must repent.

The reader is encouraged to keep several precautions in mind: 1) this analysis does not include an exhaustive list of spiritual, political, medical, scientific, or social events in America, 2) this analysis is not entirely objective tone-wise because the author feels that complete objectivity would minimize the significance of the overall message, and 3) this analysis is based on Biblical motives (some may consider these motives “biased”, but the author is fully aware of her intent throughout this analysis).

The 1950s: Sexual Liberation¹

The aftermath of God's wrath on the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah in Genesis 19 can be seen even today in the speculated (for good reasons) location of this event; sulfur balls, of quality found nowhere else on earth, have been gathered and studied from the supposed location of these cities (RISE, 2019). Scripture also explains that God allowed the ruins of these cities to be “examples” for those who continue down a road of spiritual lawlessness (2 Peter 2:6). This being said, modesty in America was, at least, visually respectable prior to the mid-twentieth century (Inter Exchange, 2020); one need only to compare films from the 50s with those of the 21st century to see a drastic difference in how people dressed, especially in public schools. However, the late 1940s and early 50s gave rise to a man by the name of Dr. Alfred Kinsey whose research began to pervert American youth. Dr. Kinsey's “scientific” findings about human sexuality, especially on infants, was heralded as truth and revelation about “normal human instincts” (Stop The Kinsey Institute, 2021; Smith, 2019). After analyzing Dr. Kinsey's research, it became evident that he had a dangerous agenda that would have a prominent impact on the U.S. more than six decades later. Without going into horrific details about his research, Dr. Kinsey's work concluded that all forms of sexuality, including pornography and masturbation, were both normal and encouraged; Scripture says otherwise (Genesis 19, Leviticus 18 and 22, Romans 1, and 1 Corinthians 6). When “The Kinsey Institute” was established in 1947, professors and researchers within this organization seared the

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¹The reader is encouraged to read John Steinbacher's book *The Child Seducers* (1970) to better understand what role sexual immorality played, and still plays, both in America and in other countries. The book *The Deliberate Dumbing Down of America* (1999) by Charlotte Iserbyt is another resource that correlates with Steinbacher's research. As of 6-2023, both books can be read freely in PDF at <http://americandeception.com>.

minds of students in hopes to re-educate them about the supposed normality of sexual promiscuity (Kinsey Institute, 2020, section titled “Alfred Kinsey’s Legacy”). With both American newspapers and the education system proudly teaching Dr. Kinsey’s propaganda, American youth began to stray further away from Biblical marriage, intercourse, and modesty (Steinbacher, 1970, pp. 33, 48, 136, etc.). Abortion, teenage pregnancies, one-night stands, pornography, revealing clothing, and other acts of sexual immorality among American youth continue to increase. Intentional or not, many parents have failed to utilize discernment about wicked and demonic academic propaganda being taught to their children even in the 21st century. This is of great concern because when morally corrupt children grow up and have children of their own, a cycle of generational degeneracy shapes the “new America”.

The 1960s: Authoritative Rebellion*

It is not difficult to imagine the result of a movement that was so easily welcomed in the U.S. The “hippie” movement in the 1960s flourished long enough to become a topic of interest in the music industry, among youth, and abroad (Kozak, 2018). This movement seemed harmless on the surface, but its core values and goals are contrary to the Biblical standards that Yahweh expects His children, and a nation that claims belief in Him, to uphold. Contrary to Scripture (Genesis 3:17-19 and Exodus 20:12), the hippie movement encouraged independence and defiance from religious and economical observances (i.e., working a job in order to contribute to the success of the society, not forsaking the Biblical faith that some parents tried hard to instill in their children, etc.). A Grand Canyon University graduate level mental health and wellness course book summarized the 60s as a time of “...loosened boundaries, questioned authority, and... [the rise of] gurus...” (Vietze, Jones, Dovidio, et al., 2017). Common rebellion during adolescence, plus additional defiance from outside sources, can only result in worsening outcomes.

Hippies were also known to partake in the use of recreational drugs (Kington, 2014; Kozak, 2018), viewing marijuana and other substances as gateways to new dimensions of love, peace, and tranquility. Although correct in rebuking war as a means to peace and safety, calling on “Mother Nature” or “Mother Earth” to be one’s sole form of sustenance is directly tied to Greek philosophy and other pagan practices (Got Questions Ministries, 2022). In addition, several passages in Scripture warn believers not to adopt pagan lifestyles (Deuteronomy 18:9 and Jeremiah 10:2). The New Testament later explains that light and darkness have no fellowship with each other (2 Corinthians 6:14), and that one cannot equally serve two masters at the same time (Matthew 6:24). Although the hippie movement has largely died out, it has fueled the start of ongoing rebellion between children and their parents-caretakers (Proverbs 30:11).

The 1970s: Abortion and Homosexuality

Perhaps one of the most disturbing decisions that the U.S. government has ever made was to legalize abortion (murder in Yahweh’s eyes). Here is a quick summary on how abortion became a “medical” norm in America: *Roe v Wade* was a U.S. Supreme Court case in the early 70s that dealt with the right to privacy for pregnant women. With a final vote of 7-2, the Supreme Court recognized a woman’s right to an abortion, stating that a woman has the right to do as *she* chooses *with her own body* (Find Law, 2021). However, the most ignored fact about abortion supposedly not being a form of murder is that it is not the *mother’s* body that is being terminated (a.k.a. suicide) but *the body within her body* (a.k.a. murder). An outdated excuse that many abortion advocates use is that unwanted pregnancies may pose a harm to the mother (while conveniently ignoring both the tremendous harm caused upon the aborted child, as well as the medical and psychological complications that these mothers can experience post-abortion; Ham, 2009, p. 124). Although this argument may be valid for some mothers, especially for those living in third-world countries, proper hygiene and advanced medical practices have drastically minimized the injuries or death that mothers now experience during childbirth (Habakus, Holland, and Rosenberg, 2012, p. 24).

To make matters worse, a decision as drastic and as immoral as the national legalization of abortion¹ was made during a time of increased female liberation known as “feminism”. This movement began decades earlier by an individual named Margaret Sanger (a eugenicist) and her organization “Planned Parenthood” (originally named the “American Birth Control League”; Ham, 2009, pp. 166-170). Similar to the LGBT community imposing their unbiblical beliefs on psychiatrists in the early 70s (Szasz, 2021), it is not unreasonable to speculate that feminism may have contributed towards the Supreme Court’s decision to make *Roe v Wade*, what some refer to it as, the “Law of the Land”. Regardless of how mainstream media, the education system, or the U.S. government manipulates the definition of murder to downplay reality, abortion always has been, and always will be, murder. Not only is it a self-centered act on the part of an individual whom Y’shua created to be more

*The reader is encouraged to read the summary of the U.S. Supreme Court case *Torcaso vs. Watkins* from 1961; the conclusion to this case is a great example of America’s Biblical decline, especially in the education system(s) (Steinbacher, 1970, pp. 9-11).

¹*Roe v. Wade* was overturned on 6-24-2022 (Totenberg, 2022) and “rights” regarding the medical practice of abortion were given back to the states. Although a partial win for believers in America, readers should keep in mind that abortion is still not a “Constitutional right” (as some sources claim) but is clearly rebuked as being a form of murder in *The Holy Bible* (Exodus 20:13; Ham, 2009, Ch. 12). Therefore, a nation that claims belief in the One true God should stop looking to the U.S. Constitution (a fallible document) and begin relying on Yahweh’s infallible Word. When secular laws interfere with God’s Law, believers should do what the Apostle Peter did in Acts 5:25-29.

compassionate, gentler, and more loving towards a helpless and innocent being (Psalm 106:35-38), but abortion today may be a modern form of child sacrifice (Ham, 2015) in exchange for financial gain (i.e., having more money to spend on oneself or spouse, keeping a roof over one's head, etc.) and other temporary comforts. Not only has Planned Parenthood profited from selling aborted fetal tissue to buyers, but sponsors of this organization have been caught, on hidden cameras, being both enthusiastic and nonchalant about such a demonic practice (John 10:10; The Center for Medical Progress, 2015). Since *Roe v Wade*, a *minimum* of sixty million babies have been aborted via surgical termination in the U.S. alone (American Life League, 2021). Many American doctors went from doing everything in their power to try to save lives to suddenly recommending that pregnant mothers get an abortion if their child is suspected to have a life-altering disability or illness based on faulty prenatal genetic tests (Ham, 2022). May Yahweh have mercy on a nation that willfully condones one of the most gruesome acts a human being can commit against their own blood (Genesis 3:20).

Another major event in the 1970s was the beginning removal of homosexuality from the American Psychiatric Association's (APA) Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders – Second Edition (DSM-II). Although the DSM has political and pseudoscientific-like origins (Szasz, 2021; The Weekend University, 2019), and Scripture never once demonstrates homosexuality to be an uncontrollable desire or illness, this did not stop a group of LGBT+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, etc.) activists from demanding that homosexuality be removed from being labeled a “disorder”. *How* the end result came about is shocking: the group of psychiatrists gave into this pressure and *voted* to remove homosexuality from the DSM-II (Szasz, 2021). Is voting scientific or political? Since then, homosexuality has become so rampant in America that not only did the U.S. government dedicate a whole month to the LGBT+ community (Youth, n.d.), but these activists now partake in an annual parade called PRIDE (Scripture condemns a certain type of pride in Proverbs 16:18, 2 Chronicles 32:26, etc.). In case this were not enough to explain the spiritual state of this nation, both the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorder – Fourth Edition (DSM-IV) and the DSM-V list another so-called disorder: pedophilia (Berlin, 2014, p. 404; First and Halon, 2008, p. 445).

The 1980s: Childhood Immunizations

If Yod-Hey-Vav-Hey (Yahweh) had not already blinded the minds of most Americans based on previous acts of rebellion, the 1980s posed a new threat that would impact children medically. Vaccines did not become the “cornerstone” of medicine in the 20th century (Habakus, Holland, and Rosenberg, 2012, p. 262) until the pharmaceutical industry was able to convince the American government that, unless every child is vaccinated against “dangerous” diseases, these same diseases could reemerge and cause an epidemic (U.S. Food & Drug Administration, 2021). Sadly, the sales pitch worked, and, to this day, similar to the abortion argument, the U.S. government continues to parrot outdated reasons regarding the need to push a harmful vaccination schedule on American children. To make matters worse, the pharmaceutical industry, which already has questionable origins (Dr. Rath Health Foundation, 2007), was granted zero liability regarding any and all vaccine injuries against children (keep in mind that children are the future generation of this nation; Ferrell, 2006, p. 957) by the 1986 National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (Habakus, Holland, and Rosenberg, 2012, p. 4; Congress, 1985-1986). Because of this, autism and other neurological disorders and illnesses skyrocketed (Habakus, Holland, and Rosenberg, 2012, p. 251). Americans found themselves fighting a domestic entity that continues to spew lies about “safe and effective” vaccines. American youth are sicker than ever before (p. 7). Although not all injuries and death are direct consequences of sinful actions, Scripture mentions instances of God's righteous judgment on the spiritually disobedient via their children as a way to “wake up” those who have not yet repented of their sins. Examples include the death of Pharaoh's son in Exodus 12; the death of one of King David's sons in 2 Samuel 12; and the death of Haman's children in Esther 9. For this nation to see true healing, the greatest cure Americans can obtain for themselves and their children is to “sh'ma” the Good News (John 3:16-18).

The 1990s: Digital Media

Political and pseudoscientific propaganda invaded the minds of adolescents and adults both consciously and subconsciously like never before in the 1990s and beyond. As smartphones, television, and video games became the new standard for entertainment and communication, parents became even more lax about how they raised their children and what was allowed to contribute to their mental, emotional, physical, and spiritual development.

Video games originally started off as harmless arcade games that would entertain children and adults for several minutes throughout the day. However, they later became an important factor for the U.S. government, and others, to utilize for propaganda by attempting to desensitize people to reality (Lemmens, Bushman, and Konijn, 2006, p. 639). Video games went from being simple arcade games (Smithsonian Institution, n.d.) to being competitive online events with games that now incorporate violence, gore, witchcraft, fornication, blasphemy, and other unbiblical themes. Some examples include Grand Theft Auto, Call of Duty, Bioshock, Halo, Harry Potter, Doom, etc. The U.S. Supreme Court originally denied the distribution of violent video games to children because they were deemed uninformative and dangerous. Although both a constitutionally and a Biblically accurate conclusion, this decision did not last and became another horrific example of America's forsaking its moral obligation to both Yahweh and future generations of youth. It was not until the early 2000s that the U.S. Supreme Court granted access of violent video games to adolescents because video games were viewed as both expressive literature and the right of the first amendment (Garry, 2017). The welcoming of violent video games on children only furthered the realization that the American government no longer sought to please Yahweh by raising a child in the way that they should go (Proverbs 22:6 and John 14:6). The worst

part was that although many parents recognized the dangers of their children being exposed to this form of entertainment, technology became widespread throughout many homes and left families little to no time to study *The Holy Bible* or to engage in more productive and fulfilling activities. Because adolescents often want to feel included among their peers, and because parents (or caretakers) don't always know how to truly "love" their children (Biblical love and secular love are two different things), owning a video game console became a trend among the youth. What was not so trendy were the growing dangers associated with excessive use of such technology.

Scott Ritsema with *Belt of Truth Ministries* (n.d.) presented scientific findings regarding the impact that excessive use of video games and technology have on cognitive development. His findings revealed that too much television turns off the frontal lobe (that is, one's ability to think and discern) and turns on the "pleasure center" of the brain within several minutes of engagement. Not only does Ritsema's "Media on the Brain" series discuss brain scans of these regions showing similar signs of activity that one would find in the brain of a drug addict but, if the frontal lobe is not exercised correctly especially during developmental stages, intellectual capabilities can be negatively impacted long term. Media addiction also means that the viewer is no longer aware of what enters his or her mind, does not have enough time to evaluate each thought, and can begin to subconsciously and aggressively react to images, sounds, opinions, and ideologies that are not accurate or healthy. Ritsema concluded that those who are already "on the edge" emotionally can go "over the edge" in addictive situations (whether that be to social media, television, video games, drugs, etc.; Sermons Room, 2021). Jones with Duke University (2017) says that this may explain the increase in emotional instability, depression, anxiety, and verbal and physical altercations often seen among today's youth.

The 2000s: Ongoing Spiritual Decay

Because the 21st century is still ongoing, only key national events that have negatively impacted the Biblical faith of Americans will be recognized throughout the remainder of this analysis. Among these include the aggressive enforcement of theoretical evolution in scientific academia (therefore encouraging adolescents who already cannot think for themselves because of their [social] media addiction to stray away from creationism and to adopt atheism; Answers in Genesis, 2010 and Ferrell, 2006, Ch. 19); the increased advertisement and acceptance of homosexuality in film, social media, medicine, law, and the education system (Georgetown Law, 2021; Christian Headlines, 2020); the electing of a POTUS over skin color rather than one's character (The White House, n.d.); the U.S. Military's paying for gender reassignment surgery for transgender troops (Dickstein, 2016); and the increased censorship and arrest of pastors who continue to preach against sin and unconstitutional mandates on religious expression (Ciesielka, 2020).

Theoretical Evolution and Atheism

Many throughout History have attempted to discredit *The Holy Bible* for various reasons. However, by Yahweh's grace, no one has been able to completely eradicate the most influential Book in the world (Guinness World Records, 2021) or one of the most popular but controversial scientific teachings: Biblical creation (a.k.a. "creationism"). Creationism was common in American schools prior to the introduction of the theory of evolution in the mid-19th century (Ferrell, 2006, Ch. 1). Without going too in-depth, evolution teaches that everything originated from a random explosion called "The Big Bang" in cold, dark, outer space; from this sudden explosion came the belief that living things came from nonliving things (basic math disproves that $1 + 0$ can only equal 1 if there is something there to begin with; this is not the case with evolution but makes perfect sense from a Biblical foundation). Completely disregarding the Book of Genesis, and therefore skewing all verifiable History, evolution went on to claim that everything alive today originated from a less complex, single celled organism (how this living organism came about from nonliving randomness has not been solved from an evolutionary perspective yet, and never will be) that slowly evolved into more complex organisms over millions of years through methods that have yet to be successfully replicated or observed even with advanced technology and scientific knowledge (Ch. 23). Charles Darwin's book *The Origin of Species* (not the full title; Ferrell, 2006, p. 782), which has used the theory of evolution to turn many people into atheists (pp. 45, 767, etc.), claims that humans evolved from animals and that there is no God. Although Darwin later rejected his own theory (something that many evolutionists today only do behind closed doors; p. 959), the moral, academic, and scientific damage that evolution initiated continues to spread like wildfire.

It was not until the 20th century that the theory of evolution began to dominate many academic fields (Ferrell, 2006, pp. 760-761), therefore promoting the illusion that evolution has always been the way of life and that those who question it are questioning science itself. Americans are still heavily encouraged to "trust the science" or face public, financial, psychiatric, and social backlash (pp. 127, 455, and 761). With many parents now accepting the theory of evolution as factual and teaching it to their children, a moral war continues between evolution and creationism. Sadly, evolution has continued to dominate the scientific field and is, perhaps, the biggest contributor towards atheism (pp. 762-781). Lipka (2019) with the Pew Research Center states that, overall, atheistic youth are on the rise both in America and in Europe. Although there are several factors that shape an individual's faith (or lack thereof), the American education system of the 21st century, with its teaching of evolution and humanism (perhaps two sides of the same coin), appears to be one of the most influential in promoting moral decay among adolescents (Steinbacher, 1970, pp. 8 and 223). A source once read that if a child spends eight hours a day in school, and then goes home to spend only four hours with his or her parents, who will have the greater influence on that child? What about university students who now spend most of their time in college dorms, surrounded by those who are also brainwashed by their brainwashed professors? The solution is simple: parents and caretakers need to pull their children out of public schools and teach them the faith that was once so boldly proclaimed

(Jude 1:3). Yes, this requires parents [and caretakers] to make changes to their daily schedule(s) and income, but are parents not given authority from God Himself to raise a child up in the way that he should go so that when he is old he will not depart from it (Proverbs 22:6)? Did the nation of Israel not forsake Yahweh over and over again because they failed to keep *their* end of the marriage contract (Jeremiah 31:31-33)? Are parents not doing the same thing today on a familial scale? Is the love of money (in this case, the giving of one's child into the hands of a stranger for eight hours a day so that both Mom and Dad can make more money at work) not the root of all evil (1 Timothy 6:10)?

Homosexuality and Same-Sex Marriage

Since the introduction of homosexuality as a “normal” sexual orientation after its removal from the DSM-II in the 1970s (Szasz, 2021; The Weekend University, 2019), it has gone to pollute the American entertainment industry, politics, medicine, law, social media, and education (Hughes, 2016; Steinbacher, 1970, p. 368; Mabilog, 2015). Although all areas of influence are of concern, perhaps the most concerning would be the U.S. Supreme Court's legalization of same-sex marriage nationwide in 2015 (Georgetown Law, 2021). This new law paved way for adolescents, adults, Military personnel, and [now] “queer” (“questioning”) members of the LGBT+ community to “come out of the closet” with pride and honor. Homosexuality and other forms of fornication have polluted this nation to such a degree that even when one is presented with the basic fact that homosexuality would naturally kill off humanity due to lack of procreation (which is the opposite of Yahweh's commandment for mankind to “be fruitful and multiply” in Genesis 1:26-28), one can easily be met with hostility, death threats, social media censorship, assault, and even termination from the Armed Forces (Christian Headlines, 2020). The LGBT+ community continues to promote that “love is love” without acknowledging that love and lust are two separate concepts (the latter being more addictive and more common because of man's natural tendency towards sin).

Former POTUS Barack Obama and His Ethnicity

Although plagiarism has been confirmed on multiple accounts in both his speech and in some of his earlier works (Lewis, 1991; Schneiderman, 1996; Gross, 1996), one of the most impactful public protests of the 20th century was that of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s “I Have A Dream” speech in 1963. This speech revolved around equality for *all* Americans regardless of skin color or ethnicity. The most common line quoted from Dr. King's speech is “I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character,” (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 2021). Sadly, several generations later, and whether mainstream media will admit it or not, many Americans voted for a United States President based largely on skin color rather than on character; The White House (n.d.) mentions the former POTUS' ethnicity several times within the first two paragraphs of their summarizing his life and presidency.

Senator Barack Obama became the 44th POTUS in 2008 and completed two terms in office. Although several factors played a role in the electing of Barack Obama as POTUS, some of his biggest votes came from those under the age of thirty (Rosentiel, 2008). This should be a red flag because the U.S. government often indirectly, but intentionally, promotes racism in the education system, in politics, and in the workforce; they do this by targeting the youth because they are both America's future generation (Ferrell, 2006, p. 957) and are easily shapable (Steinbacher, 1970, pp. 42, 83, 134, 237, etc.). An example of the intentional but subconscious promotion of racism is that of Affirmative Action in 1961, which has been used to fuel racism in the work environment by scaring employers into hiring employees based on ethnicity and sex rather than on character or what skills they can bring to the table. There may or may not be a direct correlation between Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s speech in 1963 and the enactment of Affirmative Action just a few years earlier. Either way, is “looking good” rather than “being good” (although no one is good *morally*; Romans 3:10 and Matthew 19:17) the key to success? No.

Racist themes continue in America in several “behind the scenes” (i.e., they are not stated directly) ways: medical eugenics, such as abortion and the U.S. government's Tuskegee experiment (Tuskegee University, 2022), are often aimed at African Americans and ethnic minorities living in low-income neighborhoods (Enouen, 2012). In addition, the aggressive, destructive, and cultish Black Lives Matter movement in 2020 is another example of mainstream media subconsciously fueling racism while also advocating for equality. Racism is too good of a political tool to be abolished. One need only to ask why a government that appears to promote equality often focused on the former POTUS' ethnicity rather than on his past work as a senator or his overall success as a POTUS (Soffen, 2017). Once again, America failed to abide by an important standard mentioned all throughout Scripture: do not be a respecter of persons or partial in judgment (Deuteronomy 1:17, James 2:1-9, Proverbs 28:21, 1 Timothy 5:21, etc.).

U.S. Military and Gender Reassignment Surgery

The American Psychiatric Association (APA) mentions “gender dysphoria” in the latest edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-V; American Psychiatric Association, 2013), even though homosexuality was “voted out” of the DSM-II in the 70s and the LGBT+ community consists of members who experience gender dysphoria on a regular basis. In other words, although

homosexuality was no longer labeled as a disorder in the 70s, the APA continues to mention aspects of homosexuality *as a disorder* in the DSM-V (Turban, 2020). The U.S. government is trying to promote homosexuality as a natural sexual orientation by dedicating an entire month to PRIDE, while also labeling it as a psychiatric illness (according to Turban's article, it's an illness that can happen "after puberty"). What else happens after puberty begins? Lots of *phases* that should not be normalized). Nevertheless, with taxpayer dollars, this did not stop the U.S. Military from performing gender reassignment surgery for members whose doctor(s) "felt it was medically necessary" (Dickstein, 2016). Although this fiasco was temporarily halted under former President Donald Trump (the 45th POTUS), it has recently resumed under the 46th POTUS; Joe Biden (The White House, 2021). The conclusion of the whole matter is that the greatest Military in the world has successfully been subdued by both nonmedical and immoral confusion.

Christian Churches and SARS-Cov-2 Pandemic

The most recent but major event that has contributed to the moral decay of this nation was the shutting down of Bible-based churches during a global pandemic involving SARS-CoV-2 (a.k.a. COVID-19) that has close to a 99% survival rate among most age groups when fatality statistics are analyzed from all aspects of healthcare (i.e., did most COVID-19 deaths occur because of the supposed virus or did most victims already have existing comorbidities? What age groups were more susceptible to SARS-CoV-2 and why? Were autopsies performed on supposed COVID-19 mortality victims to see what the actual cause of death was in these cases? etc.; Johns Hopkins University and Medicine, 2021). To begin on a positive note: the shutting down of these churches has been a blessing in disguise because it appears that Yahweh may be showing Americans who is truly for Him and who is against Him. In other words, even though the common phrase "separation of church and state" is not actually found within the U.S. Constitution but is often implied, and even though the U.S. Constitution prevents the State and the Government from imposing their will on religious organizations (Legal Information Institute, n.d.; Compelling Truth, 2022), thousands of churches nationwide have *voluntarily* kept their doors closed or stopped holding in-person services either because of state orders or because of "recommendations" by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Gonzalez, 2020). Whether it be lack of spiritual discernment within some of these churches or because these churches were never grounded in Scripture to begin with, it is clear to see that this pandemic has offered an opportunity for the U.S. government to go directly after religious organizations with ease. It is a true shame how most pastors obeyed their state without hesitation, without reviewing their Constitutional rights, or without reviewing God's stance on these matters (i.e., Romans 13, Acts 5:25-29, etc.). Churches that have remained open, such as John MacArthur's Grace Community Church in California, have been heavily fined and persecuted for defying COVID-19 lockdown restrictions (Ciesielka, 2020). And for those churches that remain closed to this day, how many souls hunger for spiritual truth but have been unable to find a church that is bold enough with the Creator's Word even during questionable historical times? Do most Americans, especially pastors, care to know?

Conclusion

To summarize the original aim of this analysis, it is more than evident that America has continuously rejected Biblical recognition and correction of her sins. *The Holy Bible* warns that to whom much is given, much is required (Luke 12:48). No one can deny that Yahweh has greatly blessed America in the past. Sadly, within the past seven decades or more, America has not utilized her blessings for God's glory but for personal gain, greed, hypocrisy, unbiblical pride, unjust power, the promotion of abominable lifestyles, and the eventual persecution of churches who try to uphold Biblical values during times of medical and political tyranny. It was never a political, medical, psychological, or emotional event that triggered the continual collapse of America since the 1950s but a spiritual one that has yet to be acknowledged on a national level. Most Americans are not sad, frustrated, and angry because they found themselves sinning against the Holy and Righteous God but because their freedom is being taken away by the One who gave them freedom in the first place. This nation must repent of its rejecting Biblical teachings and must seek spiritual guidance from God rather than secular guidance from man. Until this happens, Yahweh is not obligated to heal this land and will continue to ensure its downfall.

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