

International and National Worldview

7/4/20

- * Today -- Happens to be "Independence Day" in the U.S.
- * Today -- Oftentimes is a day of national celebration
- * Later today -- I will be spending time with my family
- * At present time -- I have the opportunity to give a sermon
- * Title of sermon -- International and National Worldview

Phil. 3:20-21 my citizenship is in heaven -- awaiting the return of the Savior

*What is your worldview toward the people who share our planet with us?

John 3:16 for God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish -- but have everlasting life

Acts 10:34-35 Peter said -- in truth, I perceive that God shows no partiality -- but every nation that fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him

Acts 17:26-27 Paul said -- God has made (from one blood) every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, & has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings -- so that they should seek the Lord -- in the hope that they might find Him, though He is not far from each of us

Rev. 14:6 I saw an angel flying in the midst of heaven -- having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth

* every nation

* every tribe

* every tongue

* every people

7 fear God and give glory to Him for the hour of His judgment has come -- worship Him, who made heaven, earth, the sea and springs of water

*What is your worldview toward the people who share our nation with us? -- Paul loved his countrymen

Romans 9:3 for I could wish myself accursed from Christ -- for my brethren, my countrymen according to the flesh

*The Bible taught that the laws of the land were for both citizens by birth and for people who became citizens

Lev. 18:26 you shall keep My statutes and My judgments -- and
you shall not commit any of these abominations -- either any of your
own nation or any stranger who dwells among you

Lev. 24:22 you shall have the same law for the stranger and for
 one from your own nation -- for I am the
 Lord your God

Num. 15:16 one law and one custom shall be for you and for the
 stranger who dwells with you

*Notice how Paul was aware of his rights and utilized
his rights to navigate through difficult times

Acts 16:23 Paul and Silas -- beaten -- thrown into prison
24 inner prison -- fastened their feet in stocks
25-34 at midnight -- escape from prison
35 became day -- magistrate said "let them go"
36 keeper of prison reported those words to Paul
37 Paul -- they have beaten us openly and have thrown

us into prison; now they want to let us out privately -- "innocent
Romans"

38 officers told these words to the magistrates -- they
 were afraid when they heard that they were
 Romans [citizens with rights]

Acts 22:1-21 Paul was giving his testimony
22 they said -- "Away with such a fellow from the earth,
 for he is not fit to live"
23 they tore off their clothes and threw dust into the
 air

24 the commander ordered that Paul be brought back to
 the barracks and be examined by scour-ging
 -- wanting to learn why they said such
 things against him

25 Paul -- is it lawful for you to scourge a man who is
 a Roman, an innocent Roman?

26 centurion told the commander -- be careful what you
 do, because this man is a Roman [with
 rights]

27 commander asked -- are you a Roman?

28 commander -- so am I; I obtained my citizenship with
 a large sum of money

 Paul said -- I was born a citizen

29 those who were about to examine him withdrew from him
 -- the commander was also afraid after he
 discovered that he had bound up a Roman
 citizen

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