VITAL STATISTICS AND CULTURAL INDICATORS

16 FACTS THAT PROVE



AND WHY THE RETURN IS SO CRITICAL



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IS THIS THE GENERATION THAT IS GOING TO WITNESS THE END OF AMERICA?

If our country stays on the path that it is currently on, it is very difficult to see how we are possibly going to make it. Throughout human history every great society has eventually entered a period of decline, and sadly that is happening to us as well. Our hope is that we can wake the American people up while there is still time, and that we can return to the values and the principles that this nation was originally founded upon.

WE HAVE A WINDOW OF TIME WHICH WE MAY NEVER HAVE AGAIN.

Most of us don't want to look at the negative while the markets are up but this gives us a false sense of security to what is really happening in our nation.

REASONS FOR SOWING INTO THE RETURN:

- → THE RETURN can affect all things from the political, cultural, spiritual, and every other realm
- → It can change the course of the nation and literally of the world
- → It can transform the course of every ministry, the Gospel in America, and around the world
- → This is the root from which can come fruit beyond our fathoming
- → All funds given for THE RETURN will go directly for it and for nothing else. Donations are going through the National Christian Foundation/THE RETURN FUND
- There is no large organization of funding behind it—it is dependent on God moving upon His people. You can be part of something that can truly change history for the Lord
- → If your burden is for America, for the future, for the next generation, for salvation, for revival, for the world, we believe that God will surely bless you over and above what you can bless!
- But most of all, you'll be sowing to the most important cause you can ever sow into, that which will last beyond all things and is forever!

"I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead. Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God. Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you." (REVELATION 3:1-3)

Why THE RETURN is so critical now at this time:

- The course that America (and much of the world) is on
- The upcoming election
- The shaking of the Covid-19 virus
- Mob rule, with lawlessness in our streets
- The need for world revival, and without it America and its future is lost.

THE RETURN is for believers of every background,

denomination, and land. It includes such leaders as:

Pat Robertson Dr. James Dobson Anne Graham Lotz Alveda King Marcus Lamb Bishop Harry Jackson Gordon Robertson Pastor Robert Morris Carter Conlon Michele Bachmann Steve Strang Pierre Bynum Dick Simmons, and many, many more.

BELOW ARE 16 FACTS THAT PROVE AMERICA IS IN DEEP, DEEP TROUBLE.

When Ronald Reagan won his first election, the **U.S. NATIONAL DEBT** was less than one trillion dollars. When Barack Obama entered the White House it was sitting at \$10.6 trillion, when the Republicans took control of the House of Representatives in 2010 it was about \$14 trillion, and now we have nearly reached the \$25 trillion mark. We have been stealing money from our children and our grandchildren at the rate of more than \$100 million an hour, and yet most Americans don't seem to care that we are rapidly bankrupting our nation.

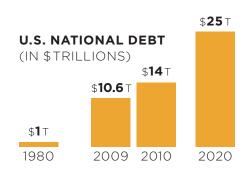
2 In 1956, approximately 5 percent of all babies in the United States were born to unmarried mothers. Today, things have obviously changed tremendously. 2008 was the very first year in United States history when 40 percent of all babies were born to **UNMARRIED MOTHERS**, and we have now stayed at that level for eight straight years.

In the early 1970s, well over 60 percent of all Americans were considered to be **"MIDDLE CLASS"**, but in 2015 that number dipped below 50 percent for the first time ever.

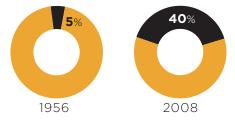
In 2001, nearly 16 million Americans could not **AFFORD THE HOMES** that they were currently living in, but by 2015 that number had more than doubled.

5 Our system of **PUBLIC EDUCATION** is a complete mess. A study of Millennials in 22 major industrialized nations conducted by the Educational Testing Service found that only two countries were worse when it comes to literacy proficiency, and we were dead last when it comes to math.

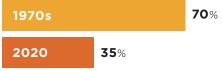
6 In the early 1970s, 70 percent of all men in the United States from the age of 20 to the age of 39 were married, but today that number has fallen to just 35 percent. Instead of getting married and starting families, a lot of our **YOUNG MEN** are still living at home with their parents. Today, 35 percent of all young men from the age of 21 to the age of 30 "are living at home with their parents or a close relative."



UNMARRIED MOTHERS



MARRIED MEN (20-39)



Many Americans don't realize this, but the United States has the highest rate of illegal drug use on the entire planet. But we actually have an even bigger problem with legal **DRUGS**. According to a study conducted by the Mayo Clinic, nearly 70 percent of all Americans are on at least one prescription drug, and an astounding 20 percent of all Americans are on at least five prescription drugs.

According to the CDC, 110 million Americans currently have a **SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE**, and there are approximately 20 million new STD cases in the United States every single year.

Thanks to decades of unchecked illegal immigration, membership in criminal **GANGS** has absolutely exploded all over the country. Today there are 150,000 gang members living in the city of Chicago alone, and they outnumber the police by more than a 10 to 1 margin.

10 Today there are more than 4 million **ADULT WEBSITES** on the Internet, and they get more traffic than Netflix, Amazon and Twitter combined. Addiction to these websites has become a major national crisis, and yet very little is being done. One major survey found that 64 percent of all Christian men in America view "adult material" at least once a month, and a different major survey found that 68 percent of all Christian men in America view "adult material" on a "regular basis".

When a federal income tax was introduced in 1913, it was fairly simple and most taxpayers were taxed at a rate of just one percent. Today, the **TAX CODE** is more than 2 million words long and the regulations are more than 7 million words long.

Our **GOVERNMENT** continues to **WASTE** money in absolutely insane ways. For example, the U.S. military actually spends 42 million dollars a year on Viagra.

TOTAL U.S. POPULATION: 308M





We are an extremely, extremely **UNHAPPY** nation. If you can believe it, doctors in the United States write more than 250 million prescriptions for antidepressants each year.

14 In 2007, 54 percent of all Americans were opposed to **GAY MARRIAGE** and only 37 percent wanted it to be legalized. Today, 62 percent of all Americans support gay marriage and only 32 percent are still against it.

15 The average rate of **ECONOMIC GROWTH** over the past 10 years has been exactly equal to the average rate that the U.S. economy grew during the 1930s. We were stunned when we discovered that the U.S. economy had only grown at an average yearly rate of just 1.33 percent over the past 10 years, and that is the exact same average yearly rate that the U.S. economy grew during the decade of the 1930s.

Since Roe v. Wade was decided in 1973, nearly 60 million American children have been murdered in America's **ABORTION** mills. Sadly, the number of children that are aborted each day in this country is roughly equal to the number of Americans that lost their lives on 9/11.

LEGALIZED GAY MARRIAGE





SUMMARY:

We are in a critical time in America. We have been warned. God in His mercy has afforded us a time of reprieve to turn and repent for our land to be spared from destruction, its' a Nineveh moment! The Return is a chance for America, 40 days prior to our next election, to turn back to God, just like Nineveh. The Return is the gathering to spark a movement to gather, fast, pray, and repent for our wickedness!

A CALL TO ACTION:

"Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. Who knows whether he will not turn and relent. and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her chamber. Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, "Spare your people, O LORD, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?" (JOEL 2:12-17)

"Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts." (MALACHI 3:7)



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