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The Downfall of The United States Before the Return of Christ



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Jesus Christ cannot come back until the United States declines in power. That's the truth, and on one hand I hate to say the U.S. is going down, for I like living in this country that's been greatly blessed by God. But it's going to happen, sooner or later – it has to. That's because the Antichrist needs to be in power just before the coming of Christ. Therefore, the United States can't be number one in the world at the same time the Antichrist and his ten-nation kingdom is ruling the world. The U.S. has to go down before the return of Christ and the rapture of the church.

The Bible tells us in great detail what happens when nations reject God. *"The nations have sunk down in the pit in which they have made... Let the nations be judged before You."* (Psalm 9:15-20). *"Ephraim is joined to idols; let him alone"* (Hosea 4:17). *"I have cut off nations, their*

strongholds are demolished" (Zephaniah 3:6). *"In the generations gone by God permitted all the nations to go their own ways" (*Acts 14:16). But it's Romans 1:18-32 that outlines the downward moral progression of a person or a country that rejects God and His truth. Three times it says, *"God gave them over."* When people abandon God, then God abandons them and lets them alone in their sin. Their sin is the reason why they are judged, and more sin results, and that increasing sin becomes the actual judgment of their sin.

One of the first visible signs of God abandoning the United States to her sin was seen in the open sexual immorality that began in the 1960's. The second sign was when homosexuality was accepted, lawful and promoted in society, which has been taking place in the past 15-20 years. The third sign of a country's decline is when God gives the people over to a depraved mind *"to do those things which are not proper, being filled with all unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, evil, envy, murder, strife… haters of God… disobedient to parents… unloving"* (Romans 1:28-32). Sad to say, but this list of sins increasingly describes our country. More and more people are totally disregarding the truth of God's Word, consciences aren't functioning rightly, there's open rebellion against authority, and lawlessness is becoming more rampant. *"Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil."* Isaiah 5:20, Ezekiel 16:48-50

For many years, this moral and spiritual decay has been affecting the character of our country, and like a cancer it has been spreading, resulting in the educational, political, economic and entertainment sectors of our nation becoming terribly sick. Not only that, but we're gradually becoming more anti-Semitic – *"the one who curses you (Israel), I will curse"* (Genesis 12:3). Then there's the severe financial indebtedness of this country, which could result in a nationwide economic collapse. Add to that, the significant societal and political divisions we see in this nation (which I believe is irreversible) – *"any kingdom divided against itself cannot stand"* (Mark 3:24). Yes, it is true that there is some good in the United States, and that she is still being used by God for His purposes. But the fact remains that she is now in

decline, paving the way for other world powers to arise, unless the Antichrist and his kingdom are the next in line to take over, and if so, then they will rule the world.

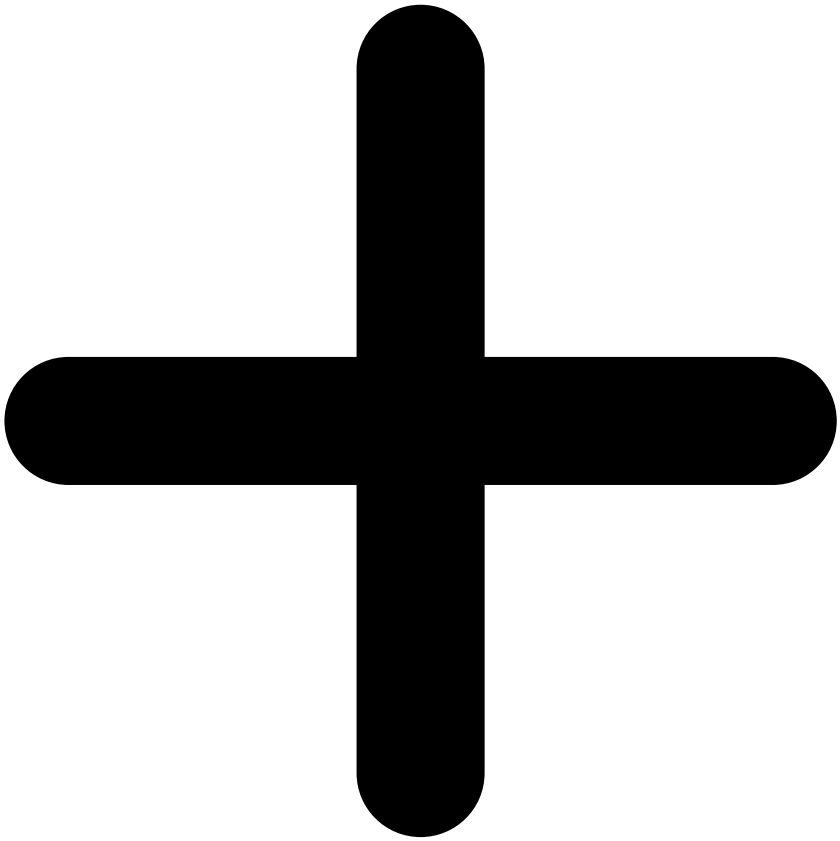
Most countries gradually go down in power; the decline doesn't usually happen in a day, a month or a year – it takes place over decades and sometimes centuries. When will the United States no longer be the number one power in the world? No one but God knows, but her downturn, along with all the other events signaling Christ's return, indicate to me that it will be sometime in the near future. There could even be catastrophic events accelerating the downfall of this nation – more terrorist attacks, a great California earthquake, a super-volcano, electromagnetic pulse weapons, etc. This country is in serious decay, and any major cataclysmic event could be *"the straw that breaks the camel's back,"* that which quickly weakens her beyond repair.

For a number of years, this world has been trending towards globalism, which needs to take place before the Antichrist can come to power. As you know, this country recently elected a nationalistic and populist President. But this is only a temporary shift, for it won't be long before globalism becomes the great desire and cry of this and most every country. People will be desperate for a world leader to solve global problems, like war, famine, plagues, earthquakes, the economy, and yes, putting a stop to Christianity, too.

The main point of all this is that the United States will lose her first place status in the world, and become subservient to the power structures that are being raised up in Europe and the Middle East, and eventually to the Antichrist himself. Daniel 2:31-45, 7:15-28, 9:24-27 and Revelation 13 explain this more fully. As Christians, we must not be overly concerned with the politics and policies of this country. Our real goal is not to have a moral majority, or get dominion over this country, or to make America great – it is to preach Christ crucified, to make disciples of all the nations until the end of this age and the return of Christ, and to pray – *"Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Your*

name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." Matthew 6:9-10

P.S. I would encourage you to read another post I have done called "That Evil Antichrist and His Short Rule on Earth."





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