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ONE NATION UNDER GOD Devotional

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Hope for Healing

Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

Acts 3:19 (NKJV)

Reflection

You don't have to watch the news these days to see that our nation is in need of healing, we are in need of a divine refreshing, a refreshing that comes through repentance, a refreshing that can only be found through our True Hope Jesus Christ. There are great divisions of all kinds in our nation today, political, economic and of course racial. These divisions are the main topic of conversation in our homes, offices and even our churches. Add to that an election year, and an

Challenge

Despite the serious issues dividing our nation today, economic, social and race, we have Hope because God is

ugly one at that, and the issues are exasperated even more so. Sadly many Christians get caught up in the rhetoric to the point that on a subconscious level Jesus becomes the secondary solution and not the primary, and thus hope is misplaced. We the church, the body of believers, have been entrusted, commissioned with the true message of Hope and salvation. Let us not panic, let us not be anxious but let us believe and exercise our faith in the True and the Living God through Christ Our Lord and proclaim that message of hope which begins with repentance. Perhaps the simplicity of the message is a stumbling block for us. Let us never forget that Our God is able to do exceedingly and abundantly above all that we ask or think. Rhetoric is designed to persuade and to impress; however, rhetoric is always lacking in sincerity and power and rhetoric can never deliver on its promise of hope. Jesus is our True Hope and true healing (whether it is physical, emotional, spiritual or that of a divided nation) and it comes through sincere repentance. Do not be deceived by the craftiness of men in powerful positions and their rhetoric, rather pray that the eyes of a nation be opened to the Truth of Jesus and pray that the prideful in power would submit to the Lordship of Jesus, pray that those who are weary and heavy laden - who are hungry for God and justice and have mistakenly placed their hope - would see past the rhetoric. Pray that a misguided nation would repent so that our sins may be blotted out and the times of healing and refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

Prayer

Heavenly Father we humbly come before you today and we pray that you would have mercy on our nation and heal our divisions. According to Your lovingkindness and tender mercies, blot out our transgressions and wash us thoroughly from our sin, revive us and refresh us again, In Jesus' Holy and Precious Name, Amen.

faithful. Pray for a nationwide repentance that we may be refreshed in the presence of Our Lord Jesus.

For Discussion

Consider the divisions in our nation. Has your focus been healing or choosing a side?

What would a healing and refreshing of our nation look like to you?



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