

September Edition: 9.11 Prayer for America



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Remembering
09/11/01



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"Who can forget the incredibly courageous action of the firefighters and the police rushing into the burning World Trade Center while everyone else was rushing out. They laid their lives down for total strangers. This reminds us of what Jesus did for us on the cross."

To begin this edition, please join us in prayer for our country:

"Lord God, we recognize that we need You yet our leaders and citizens often ignore You. We confess that we have sinned against You. Please forgive us. We have snubbed You in our public events, public schools, abortion laws, judicial decisions, etc. We've welcomed sin instead of Your Son. We ask that we would be spared. Help us to fully rely on Jesus Christ and what He did on the cross for us. Help us to love our neighbor as ourselves. Help us to love You most of all. We ask for Your mercy and grace to shower on our country and for You to draw many people into personal relationships with You. Please heal our land that we may be able to give You credit and experience Your protection as we bless Your Name instead of cursing with it. We yield to You and humble ourselves at Your feet. God, please have mercy upon us.
In Jesus' Name, Amen."

Let us now reflect lest we forget:

It's is the twelfth anniversary of 9/11/01. It's is also the first anniversary of the terrorist attack at the U.S. embassy in Benghazi. We still demand truth and justice for Benghazi, but today we want to focus on remembering the innocent lives lost:

2,752 died on 9/11/01 at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and Flight 93. Remember that number: 2,752. It was one of the bloodiest days in American history. (And on 09/11/13, four more Americans were killed by terrorists in Benghazi.) These could have been your loved ones, your co-workers, your friends. That's more than half of our hometown in Iowa. Walls of photos of the dead encircle visitors at the memorial near Ground Zero. (You may view pictures and read about them [here](#).)

As we think back on those events, we are harshly reminded that evil exists. But, today we urge you to also think about the fact that Jesus Christ is stronger than all evil. Those who believe in Jesus know that we have ultimate victory in Him. As 1 Corinthians 15:57 says, "But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

As you take time to reflect and pray, we encourage you to watch the below video of Billy Graham's response to 09/11/01. He spoke at a crusade in Fresno, California exactly one month after 09/11/01. (You may watch more of his sermons [here](#).) Also, please read this month's edition in its entirety.

-Billy Graham

(From his sermon in Fresno, California exactly one month after 9/11/01)

**New Video:
In God We Still Trust**

In God We Still Trust

On the 12th anniversary of 9/11, we are reminded that America is facing many challenges. Our country needs to turn to Jesus. Listen to "In God We Still Trust" for inspiration to keep "fighting the good fight". For hope and encouragement, listen to Stacie Ruth and Carrie Beth sing "In God We Still Trust".

Featured Poem

On the anniversary of 09/11, we thought it would be timely to share this poem by our friend Johnny Lawson.

The Tyrants

Like wheels in wheels that
click and grind
are the minds of men with
hearts unkind.

You will also find a hope-filled article called ***The Only Hope for America*** by Dr. Adrian Rogers of Love Worth Finding Ministries. We hope that it encourages you -especially today. Lastly, please read the **12 Ways You Can Help America**. Learn how you can make a difference to help our country.

Cold as ice with jagged edge
a will that drives them toward
the ledge.

Numb to life as well as love
deaf to the call from up above.
Their ambitions goal to move
and shape deforms those
souls with swiftest haste.

By Johnny Lawson
(Sarasota, Florida)

About Dr. Adrian Rogers



Billy Graham Recalls 9/11

Thank you all for joining us as we unite the USA to pray today.

God bless you,
Carrie Stoelting and Stacie Stoelting
Founders of Unite the USA

The Only Hope For America

By Dr. Adrian Rogers
www.lwf.org



"Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." Proverbs 14:34

America's only hope is found in this verse. Our nation had a godly founding and a glorious past, but if the Lord tarries, what kind of nation will our children inherit? Evidently

Americans believe the economy is the top issue. But I'd rather leave my children the legacy of a godly nation than great wealth squandered in a

Known for his evangelistic zeal and uncompromising commitment to the Word of God, Adrian Rogers was one of the greatest preachers, respected Bible teachers, and Christian leaders of our time. For over fifty years, he consistently presented the Good News of Jesus Christ with strong conviction, compassion, and integrity.

He was a devoted family man - husband to his childhood sweetheart Joyce, father to four children, grandfather to nine, and great-grandfather to one. Of all his

godless society. Righteousness is our greatest need. Alexander Hamilton said, "People get the government they deserve." Something has happened in America. If we want to know what's wrong, we need to look in the mirror.

Righteousness Exalts A Nation

America was born in a revival. The Great Awakening swept the land in a flame of righteousness. Out of that, schools were built, principles taught, and character became strong. A newborn nation declared her independence from England and upon almighty God.

Our Founding Fathers knew the best government was the least government. The more character you have, the more responsibility you'll assume, and the less government you'll need.

You cannot have true liberty without true righteousness. They are inextricably interwoven. For example, if a man becomes a criminal, he's put in jail. Failing his responsibilities, his liberties are taken away. A baby has no responsibilities. But he also has no liberties: he can't choose where he's going to sleep or what he'll wear. As he grows and assumes responsibilities, he's given more liberties.

We will have more or less liberty in direct proportion to our character. When we lose character-righteousness-we lose liberty, for people who cannot live responsibly from within must be controlled from without.

James Madison said, "We have staked the whole future of American civilization not upon the power of government-far from it-...[but] upon the capacity to govern and sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments." But today the Ten Commandments are called "unconstitutional" and removed from classrooms and many public buildings.

Sin-A Reproach to Any People

The great American dream is dissolving because of sin: sexual perversion, killing unborn children, break-up of the family, obsession with material things, craving for pleasure. America is self-indulgent, out of control.

With the erosion of character, we relinquish more responsibility to government, and whatever it subsidizes, government says it must control. When we depend on government to feed us, it will control us. Government is here to protect from tyranny and punish evildoers, not meet our needs. Sure as night follows day, when government provides, it begins to regulate. Then it's free to oppress.

accomplishments, Dr. Rogers often said his greatest joy centered in his relationship to Jesus Christ, his wife and family, and the church he pastored. The recipient of many honors and awards, the trophy he treasured most was one presented to him by his children one Father's Day in which he was proclaimed The World's Greatest Dad.

Under his pastoral leadership, Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee, grew from 9,000 members in 1972 to more than 29,000 at his retirement in 2005. And Adrian Rogers was a leader in his denomination, serving three terms as president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

God's blessing on Dr. Rogers' ministry became even more evident with the birth of Love Worth Finding Ministries in 1987. Dr. Rogers was the founder and Bible teacher of Love Worth Finding, an internationally syndicated television and radio ministry. The sun never sets on this ministry which is broadcast on radio, television, and the Internet. You can find LWF declaring the Gospel and changing lives in more than 150 countries around the world. In 2003, Dr. Rogers was honored to be inducted into the prestigious Hall of Fame by the National Religious Broadcasters.

Dr. Rogers was active in national leadership and personally consulted and prayed with five presidents of the United States. He visited and had the privilege of

Look at our education system. It has outlawed God. The Bible is out; humanism is in. The Ten Commandments were swapped out for values clarification, one-world government, glories of the welfare state, and a new world order.

We're now living in the shadows of an age. Our liberties are fast receding. You say, "But we still have lots of blessings in America." Yes, we do. But they are residual blessings our forefathers left us.

Revival-The Restoration of a Nation

"When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice. But when the wicked bear rule, the people mourn" (Proverbs 29:2).

We must take America back. We don't have to be a majority; we're salt and light. Salt penetrates, purifies, heals, and preserves. To say "don't mix politics and religion" is like saying put the fish in one barrel and the salt in another. But "If salt loses its savor," Jesus said, "it's good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under the feet of men."

The church of Jesus Christ is being "trodden underfoot" because we've become salt without savor.

Our Constitution was written for people of character. Godly character must permeate our society. We must set the standard in caring for our own and the widows and orphans. We must train up our children, godly offspring who will take leadership positions and return us to living by godly principles.

I want to leave my children and grandchildren a godly nation. Don't you? God is our only hope, and revival will be the restoration of our nation.

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12 Ways You Can Help America

Like 9/11 hero Todd Beamer, we all need to say, "Let's roll!" With God as our guide, we can unite the USA to fight for freedoms today! Here are twelve tips:

1. Resist the urge to trust the media. **Understand for yourself why we became a country.** Far too many Americans have no clue what the Declaration of

sharing the platform with President George W. Bush in the White House on the National Day of Prayer for America.

Dr. Rogers preached overseas crusades in Taiwan, South Korea, Israel, Russia, Romania, and in Central and South America.

In November 2005, God called Adrian Rogers home. Since that time, tributes have poured in testifying of his worldwide impact. For more information, visit www.adrianrogers.org.

Featured Founding Father



Pierce Butler (July 11, 1744 - February 15, 1822) was born in Ireland. Later, he came to America with his wife, Mary Middleton and settled with her in South Carolina by 1779. Butler was an officer in South Carolina's militia during the American Revolutionary War. He trained and organized American forces to fight the invading Redcoats.

Butler was a soldier, planter, and statesman. He represented South Carolina in

Independence even says. Take time to read it. It's not a long document and it is a fascinating read. The Declaration of Independence was a statement adopted by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. In the thralls of the American Revolution, it announced that the thirteen American colonies regarded themselves as independent states (no longer a part of the British Empire). Primarily written by Thomas Jefferson, the Declaration of Independence details grievances against King George III and Great Britain regarding their abuse of power. [Click here](#) to read the Declaration of Independence.

2. Read and re-read the U.S. Constitution until you can get a basic grasp on its truths. On September 17, 1787, eleven years after the Declaration of Independence was written, the Constitution was adopted by the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Our Constitution has provided a stable, practical guide for governing. The underlying principles of the Constitution were gathered by the delegates from years of careful study of governments and political thinkers, and also from the failed lessons learned from the failed Confederation. Limited government, separation of powers, and checks and balances are major themes in our Constitution. The Constitutional framers forged a working balance with these principles that has provided our country with liberty, order, and an enduring charter. [Click here](#) to read the U.S. Constitution.

3. Discover, claim, and defend your rights! Many people do not realize that the Bill of Rights consists of the first ten amendments of the Constitution. James Madison introduced these amendments on July 21, 1789 and they were ratified on December 15, 1791. The Constitution and the Bill of Rights made liberty secure. (i.e. The First Amendment insures five freedoms: religion, speech, press, assembly, and petition.) The amendments illustrate the principle of limited government. For example, Congress cannot establish any church or denomination as a state-sponsored church. People are free to worship as they choose. Read the Bill of Rights [here](#).

4. Be able to answer this: What did the Founding Fathers intend? Acclaimed by Thomas Jefferson as 'the best commentary on the principles of government which ever was written,' the [Federalist Papers](#) make a powerful case for power-sharing between state and federal authorities. The Federalist Papers were written by "Publius" the pseudonym for Alexander Hamilton, John Jay, and James Madison. They were a collection of 85 articles promoting the ratification of the U.S. Constitution. The Federalist Papers detail the intent of the U.S. Constitution as seen by the Founding Fathers. Read the Federalist Papers to learn what was thought and believed by the men who help shape our country.

the Continental Congress, the 1787 Constitutional Convention, and the U.S. Senate.

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5. Oh say, can you sing the National Anthem? "The Star-Spangled Banner" is our nation's National Anthem. The lyrics come from a poem written in 1814 by a 35-year-old lawyer, Francis Scott Key. He was inspired to write it after watching the bombardment of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812. "The Star-Spangled Banner" was officially declared as our National Anthem in 1931. Learn the [lyrics](#) of the National Anthem. As a way to show respect for our country and freedom, always stand and place your right hand over your heart. [Click here](#) to watch Stacie Ruth sing our National Anthem.

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6. Pledge allegiance to the flag! The Pledge of Allegiance of the United States is a way for citizens to express their dedication and love for their country and freedom. Through the years, it has been modified four times. Most recently, the words "under God" were added in 1954. The introduction of "under God" in the 1950s was done during the Cold War, as a way to differentiate the U.S. from the concept of communist state atheism. Here is the Pledge of Allegiance: "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

7. Pass the torch of liberty. Take time to teach your children and grandchildren about the greatness of our God and country. Without you, how will they learn? Your personal touch, time, and attention are effective in encouraging children to love faith and freedom. No school, group, or TV/computer program can replace the impact that you personally can have on our next generation. Visit your local library or bookstore to find resources about our country, government, and history. Have your kids meet our nation's heroes in your community and explain for how they fought for your own freedom.

8. Put your guard up about too much government. Be aware of current events. Be aware about what is happening in the news and in the federal and state legislatures. Do not assume that government programs with nice sounding names are safe and for the good of the people. (Sometimes the most dangerous bills have great sounding titles.) It's easy to keep up with current events through the radio, TV, newspapers, and online tools. It's simply up to you to take advantage of those accessible resources.

9. Voting does count! Over 50% of eligible voters do not make the effort to vote. Don't be part of that group. It's easy yet very important to vote. You do not need to stand in line at the polls. Instead, vote via an absentee ballot. Contact your auditor's office to request an absentee ballot. In fact,

throughout history there have been many elections when only a hand full of votes made all of the difference.

10. Visit historical landmarks to make our history 'come to life'. It reinforces the fact that our past is real. For example, visit your state capitol building, presidential libraries, battle sites, or any other historical landmarks in your area that interest you. Seeing places where our government works or where history happened makes history and government text books much more interesting, real, and applicable.

11. Lawmakers serve you. Request meetings with your lawmakers. Many state and federal legislators regularly tour their constituencies and hold town hall meetings. For example, it is widely know that in Iowa, Senator Chuck Grassley tours all 99 counties every year. Make the time and effort to meet with your public servants to hear what they have to say about current news and legislation. Our leaders need to hear from you.

12. Pray for our nation. America was founded by God-fearing men and women. 2 Chronicles 7:14 says, "If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." Prayer is powerful. Learn more about our prayer group at <http://www.prayingpals.org>.