

**TRUTH CHANGES EVERYTHING:  
HOW JESUS-FOLLOWERS  
CHANGED POLITICS**

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**FOUR MYTHS ABOUT FAITH AND POLITICS**

- God doesn't care about politics
- It's not my problem
- Choosing between the lesser of two evils is itself evil
- Politics doesn't matter

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Jesus-followers weren't involved to *prevent change*; they were involved to *preserve core principles* that make peace and prosperity possible.

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**MYTH ONE**

"God doesn't care about politics."

*Reality:* God is concerned with His glory and with his image-bearers, and Psalm 57 says that His glory covers all of the earth.

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**ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE PIONEER  
MARVIN MINSKY:**

Humans are "meat machines."


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**EVERY PERSON IS AN IMAGE-BEARER OF GOD**

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**CS LEWIS**

Atheists may think that “nations, classes, civilizations must be more important than individuals,” because “individuals live only seventy odd years each and the group may last for centuries. But to the Christian, individuals are more important, for they live eternally; and races, civilizations and the like are in comparison the creatures of a day.”



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**SAMUEL RUTHERFORD (1600-1661)**



*Lex Rex*

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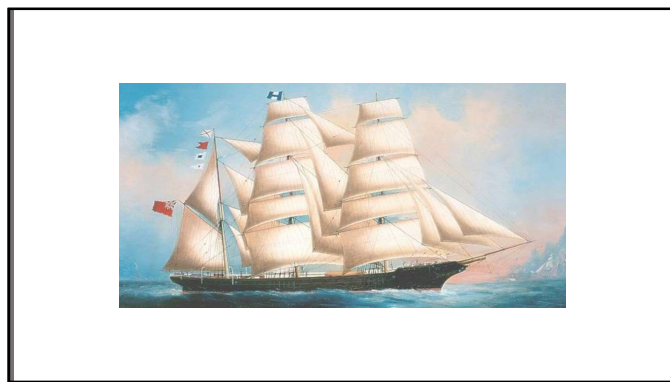
IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776.

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America.

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one People to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the Powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent Respect to the Opinions of Mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the Separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.—That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed

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**MYTH TWO**

“It’s not my problem.”

*Reality:* Authority in a constitutional republic rests in the people – to refuse involvement is to disobey God’s commands to submit to authority.

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**JEREMIAH 29:7**

“But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.”


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**שלום**  
**Shalom**

“Peace, prosperity, completeness,  
 safeness, salvation, health, satisfaction,  
 contentment, and blessing.”

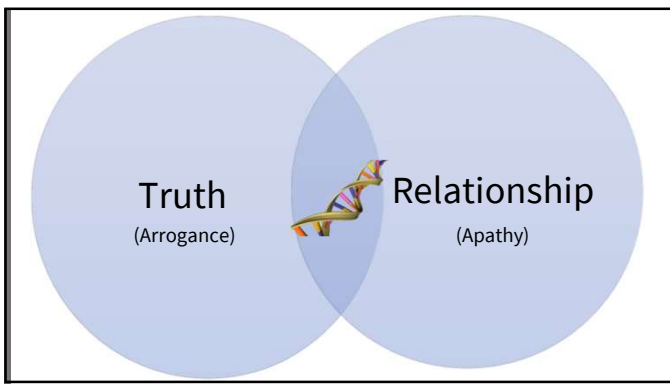
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**LUC FERRY, ATHEIST AND AUTHOR OF  
 A BRIEF HISTORY OF THOUGHT**



It is to Christianity that Western  
 Civilization “owed its entire  
 democratic inheritance.”

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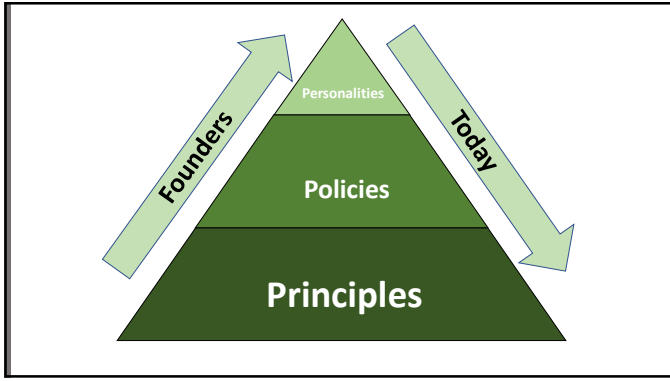
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**MYTH THREE**

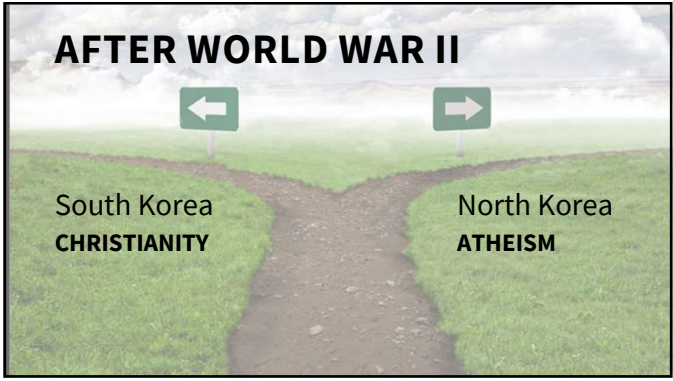
“Choosing between the lesser of two evils is evil.”

*Reality:* We are choosing to *lessen* evil

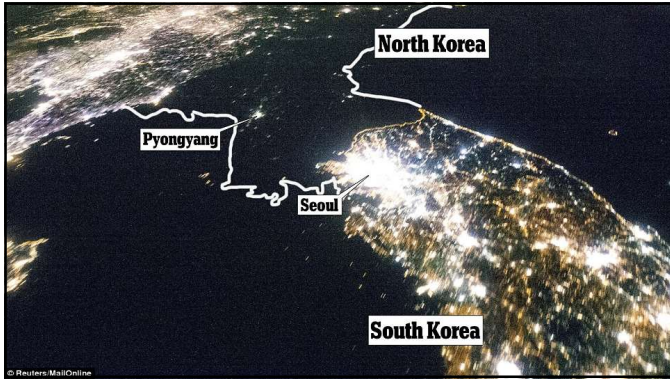
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**DENIS DIDEROT (1713-1784)**

“Man will never be free until the last king is strangled with the entrails of the last priest.”

 A black and white engraving of Denis Diderot, a French philosopher, writer, and encyclopedist. He is shown from the chest up, wearing a dark coat over a white cravat.

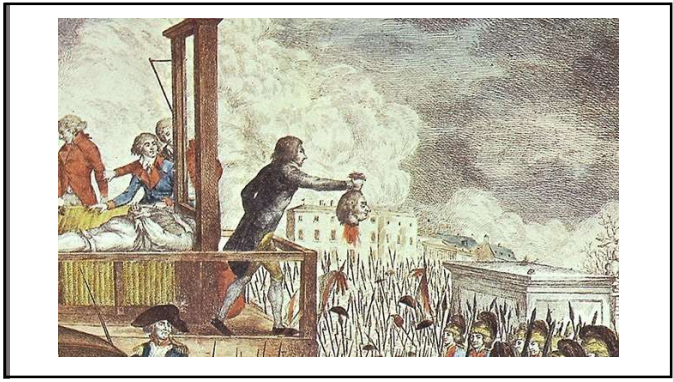
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**MAXIMILIEN ROBESPIERRE (1758-1794)**

 A black and white portrait of Maximilien Robespierre, a French revolutionary leader. He is shown from the chest up, looking slightly to the right.
 

“The revolutionary government... owes nothing to the Enemies of the People but death.”

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**JOSEF STALIN, SPEAKING TO WINSTON CHURCHILL**

 A black and white photograph of Josef Stalin and Winston Churchill standing side-by-side. Stalin is on the left, wearing a military-style uniform, and Churchill is on the right, wearing a dark suit.
 

“When one man dies it is a tragedy, when thousands die it's statistics.”

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**ROBERT CONQUEST**

“...such sacrifices in the name of hitherto untested dogma was a moral as well as a mental perversion.”

 The cover of the book 'The Harvest of Sorrow: Soviet Collectivization and the Terror-Famine' by Robert Conquest. The title is in large, bold, black letters. The subtitle is in smaller red letters. The author's name is at the bottom.


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**MYTH FOUR**  
 “Politics doesn’t matter.”  
*Reality:* Politics gives us the opportunity to encourage community based on biblical principles that best represent the contours of the world as it actually exists.

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**EXODUS 21:33**

“When a man opens a pit, or when a man digs a pit and does not cover it, and an ox or a donkey falls into it, the owner of the pit shall make restoration. He shall give money to its owner, and the dead beast shall be his.”



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**BARON LORD ATKIN** BRITISH ATTORNEY



“The rule that you are to love your neighbor becomes in law you must not injure your neighbor; and the lawyer’s question: Who is my neighbor? Receives a restricted reply. You must take reasonable care to avoid acts or omissions which you can reasonably foresee would be likely to injure your neighbor...”

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**“TORT” LAW**

From the Latin word torquere, meaning twisted out of its natural shape.

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**JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL**  
 (THE 19<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY POET)

“I challenge any skeptic to find a ten-square-mile spot on this planet where they can live their lives in peace and safety and decency, where womanhood is honored, where infancy and old age are revered, where they can educate their children, where the Gospel of Jesus Christ has not gone first to prepare the way. If they find such a place, then I would encourage them to emigrate thither and there proclaim their unbelief.”

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**JOHN 8:32**

Jesus said, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

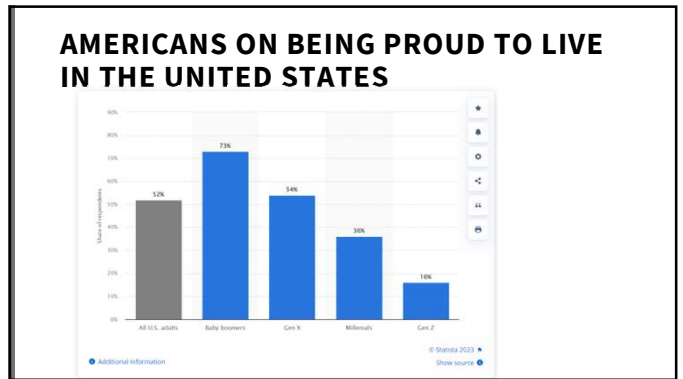
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“Just 13% of these students met history proficiency standards, meaning 87% could not explain major themes, periods, events, people, ideas or turning points in our nation’s existence.”

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**CHESLAW MILOSZ (1911-2004), NOBEL PRIZE-WINNING POET AND CRITIC OF COMMUNISM**

“Freedom *from something* is a great deal, yet not enough. It is much less than freedom *for something*.”

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