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Common Sense Ain't So Common

***“My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.
Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.
For they are life unto those that find them and health to all their flesh.
Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.”
Proverbs 4:20-23***

Have you been amazed in the last several years of the decisions coming in the public (as well as private) arena? We shouldn't be. In my lifetime, I have seen the falsehood promoted in our nation of the separation of church and state to mean the absence of truth (God's truth) in government. I have seen prayer and Bible reading taken from schools. I have seen the 10 commandments taken from public buildings and courtrooms despite the fact that many of our public buildings and universities have the scriptures etched in stone because they were built on the foundation of the truth of the word of God. Princeton and Dartmouth, to name a few, were built to train ministers of the gospel!!!

For many years, because of our promoting the commandments of God as our general rule of conduct for our nation, we saw laws and lives run by these fundamentals. Jesus summed up the 10 commandments (not suggestions) of God as this ***“You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,”*** and ***“your neighbor as yourself.”*** (Luke 10:27 NKJV) Basically saying, love God and love people.

Simple, yes. Easy, not always. Truth, absolutely. You see, truth is truth. Facts can change, but truth is truth and is always truth. When we don't follow God, then we are following something or someone else. God's wisdom is truth and will bring about good results – whoever puts them into practice – godly or ungodly.

You know that when you are driving down the road, if you take your eyes off the road, you are going to drift from your lane or drive completely off the road. We now have generations that have been raised without prayer and Bible reading as part of their instruction. They are ignorant of the 10 commandments. They are no longer viewing this “road” as their destination.

We took for granted that certain things were “common” sense. One of the definitions of common at Dictionary.com is “widespread; general; ordinary.” So if truth is no longer recognized, taught, practiced and kept before us, we as an individual will drift and as the individuals go – so goes the nation.

So at the end of the day, what we thought was just ordinary and stuff that everyone believed and practiced, you know just “common”; was really the priceless truth of the Word of our loving, heavenly Father! Common sense just ain't so common anymore!

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