

Opportunities and Threats, week 6: Get rid of God

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Today's Passages: Hebrews 10:39, Gen. 1:26, Gal. 3:28, Eph. 2:14-16

We are in the midst of a cultural earthquake...

But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls. Hebrews 10:39

Rather than shrink back, this is a time to rise up, to dig in to the goodness of God and then advance the Kingdom of God (in us and through us) to our families, our city, our state and nation.

Today's Threat: Get rid of _____.

God in the public sphere is a tremendous part of America's heritage but there is a major threat that it won't be part of America's future.

That threat is the Black Lives Matter political organization. (which is NOT the same thing as the phrase "black lives matter").

The phrase "black lives matter" by itself lines up with many biblical values:

"Let us make humanity in our image, after our likeness..." Gen.1:26

God-created all of humanity in his image and therefore have _____ value and worth before God and one another.

"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." Gal 3:28

That doesn't mean the realities of gender, race and class no longer exist. It means that God loves all of them and in Christ those are not barriers to a relationship with God and _____ with each other. (Ephesians talks more specifically how to live this out...)

[Jesus] has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility...that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, so making peace. **Ephesians 2:14-15**

As Christians we have a calling and a _____ to do our part to live out what Jesus did on the cross and break down walls of hostility and live into one new humanity in Christ.

However, If the Black Lives Matter political organization achieves its ultimate goals, God will be removed from public life and Christianity will cease to _____ in America.

When the founder and current director, Patrisse Cullors, was asked if BLM has an "ideological framework" leading towards broader goals, she shared plainly: *"We are super versed on Ideological theories... We are trained _____."*

At the core of the Marxist ideology is a worldview, the worldview of Karl Marx, who states that:

"Religion is the sigh of the oppressed creature, the heart of a heartless world, just as it is the spirit of a spiritless situation. It is the opium of the people. The abolition of religion as the illusory happiness of the people is required for their real happiness." -Karl Marx

Marxism is an inherently atheistic worldview, violently atheistic, in the sense that belief in God must be "_____ " as a necessary part of setting people free from religion's "illusive" oppressions and empower people to "move around himself as his own true Sun."

The BLM political organization is incompatible with Christianity, because if it's ultimate "trained Marxist" goals are reached, Christianity in America will be abolished.

Responding to God...

What do you think God is saying to you? What are you going to do about it?

Answers: God, equal, oneness, mandate, exist, Marxist, abolished