Dear Friends,

We want to take this opportunity to thank you for your faithful support as we are reminded so frequently of the apparent shortage of funds to finance Kingdom ministries. It seems that so many worthy ministries are struggling financially. That is why our ministry has always operated on a "pay as you go" basis, so that we would not end up enslaved to a debt load. Because we are at the beginning of one of those transitional periods marking new responsibilities and greater influence and effectiveness, we are asking our friends to commit to be as generous as you can in the support of our ministry. In addition to continuing to travel extensively to share the message that God has given our family, we will be beginning the building process in Northeastern Washington of the vision that God has given us. The offer that has been made on the 500 acres known as Marble Flat has been accepted by the investment group that owns the property, and we are in the final stages of closing the deal (See preceding newsletters for more information). Needless to say, there will be much work, including building and development, in the near future requiring major finances. Our dream is to build something on that land that will first be pleasing to God who has commissioned it, and secondly, will be a blessing to multitudes of people from all over the nation and the world.

Some of the pressing needs that we would like to share with you are for personnel and equipment to be able to begin to produce all that God has shown us. The only kingdom we are even slightly interested in building is the Kingdom of God, and we know most assuredly that He will finance whatever He has commissioned through the faithfulness of His people.

These are awesome days in which we live. We praise God for the opportunity to see the unfolding of events that the angels and the Saints who have gone before have longed to see. It is not a time to fear, dear friends, but a time to rejoice in the faithfulness of a God who esteems His Word even when we do not. We must all be about our Father's business of preparing for what is coming. If we may serve you in any way, please do not hesitate to call on us. We do indeed serve an awesome God...

Always,
The Byrd Family

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BACK TO THE BASICS

by Barry Byrd

As we awaken to the reality of being entangled with and dependent upon a system of law, government, education and economics that is antichristian, we must face the question asked by Francis Schaeffer, "How should we then live?" We have lived as if we were at peace when we were really at war. The Christian rebirth is a birth into warfare, and the warfare will not be over until the last enemy is under the feet of Jesus Christ. We are at war with our own fallen nature within and the fallen nature of the world without. Therefore we cannot be dependent upon any system that is not submitted to the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

America's political, economic and religious systems were blessed, effective and productive in the early years because of her basic commitment to uphold the standards and principles of God's Word, largely because our educational system in early America was a ministry of the local Church. The Church was commissioned by Jesus to be the teacher of the world. When we fail to fight this battle, our influence as salt and light recedes, and the corruption of the enemy comes in like a flood. Thomas Jefferson said, "The price of liberty is eternal vigilance." David Davidson likens liberty to a beautiful woman who must be protected by her sons and reborn in every generation.

If we are to rebuild the walls and gates of our nation, we must regain the lifestyle of liberty. What are some of the essential elements of this lifestyle? The first thing that has to be re-established is commitment on the part of her people. One of the primary ingredients in commitment is the understanding that the Kingdom of God is built upon relationship. The fundamental relationship is with Father God, and the secondary relationship is with our fellow man. This is why Jesus condensed the Ten Commandments into the two great commandments: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all they mind, and with all thy strength; And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these" (Mark 12:30,31). Until the body of Christ is striving daily to build these two relationships, all other efforts will end in failure.

Secondly, we must establish lifestyles that are consistent with the commands of Scripture. The best terms I can think of to describe this lifestyle are humility, simplicity and service. The false god of materialism has been one of the greatest downfalls of American Christianity. We have become caught up in the rat race of worldliness, and it has destroyed our witness for Jesus, the character and nature of whom we should be manifesting to the world.

Debt is one of the worst masters that has replaced the lordship of Jesus Christ in our society. The Scripture makes it clear that the borrower is subject to the lender, and yet, to satisfy our lusts, we continue to serve the master of debt. God is going to judge the debt-usury system of America, and we will stand or fall according to whom we serve.

Getting out of debt many seem like an impossible task, but our God is the God of the

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