

## SHELD OF FAITH

"Take Up the Shield of Faith" - Paul

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Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: - 1 Peter 5:6

## Only by Blood and Suffering

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The government is not God. The evil Madilyn Murray O'Hare's son, William, makes this point relentlessly. He found his mother's ideology so empty of meaning that he became a Christian many years ago. He works in politics today through a political action committee called "Government Is Not God PAC."

Murray's mother is famous for having successfully removed official Christian prayers from the public schools in America. She did this through a lawsuit that made it all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court in the early 1960s.

Christians allowed this to happen. In the twentieth century Christianity in the West developed a bad case of false humility. They came to believe that it was their duty to humble themselves therefore under the mighty hand of ... government ... not God.

It is a bad idea for the people to humble themselves under the mighty hand of government. That is called socialism, or something. It definitely is NOT an American ideology. As I wrote yesterday, the rallying cry of the Revolution was "No King but King Jesus." America is designed to limit government power, especially national government power. The rights of the people to life, liberty and property are supposed to be sacred.

The Declaration of Independence decidedly humbled the nation in it's opening statement. "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."

The rights to life, liberty and property are then enumerated. We Americans are "endowed by our creator" with these rights. They are not given to us by government. It is the government's duty to protect them. American citizens are owed a government that secures these rights for her citizens — not all the people of the world. God gets to run the world. We don't.

God is the one who established different language groups. The Bible calls them nations. He's the one who gets to sort all that out. We don't.

America must either choose once again to humble itself under the mighty hand of God ... or the mighty hand of God is going to do some humbling. God's humbling hand is more than evident, I'd say.

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God's Apostle to the Gentiles, Paul, put it this way in his letter to the Christians living in Rome 2000 years ago.

"For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet."

Homosexuality is a clear and present sign of God's mighty humbling hand. There is no doubt that God is judging America. The most potent support for sodomy now emerges from conservative Christianity. Instead of fight the evil honestly and with candor the movement now begs the government to protect their "religious freedom."

This weekend I read the book "Only by Blood and Suffering." It was authored by the unknown Lavoy Finecum. His name should be on the lips of every American school child. Because atheists rule our land it is not.

Finecum was gunned down by cowardly government agents the year Donald Trump decided to become President of the United States — 2016. He wrote a work of fiction that is a page turner. The subtitle is "Regaining Lost Freedom."

The hero of the tale is Jake Bonham. Jake is estranged from his leftist wife. They have a son and three daughters. The narrative follows the families travails during the collapse of America's economy and a nuclear first strike by China and Russia. Jake's multi-generation ranch in Utah is the setting for most of the book.

Finecum does a good job. The story arcs through the gritty horrors one would expect after such a calamity illuminating the virtues of family, religion, fatherhood and personal responsibility.

The religious emphasis is on free will. The individuals rights and responsibilities before God are illustrated dramatically. The collapse of America in Finecum's tale provides an opening for a power hungry local autocrat to gain power over his neighbors. He ruthlessly controls everything and everyone around him.

The book concludes as one would expect with an epic confrontation between good and evil.

I couldn't put the book down because Finecum baptized the ideas in the book with his own blood.

Only by Blood and Suffering. Truly.

Amen.