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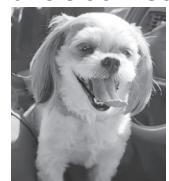
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All too often we tend to read the Scriptures like we read most other books. We read with the purpose to learn the facts, to learn how to do things, how to improve ourselves, or other self-edifying information. But when we read the Scriptures if we read that way we miss the most important truths. We see what God does, not his heart, his motives, his character, who he really is.

The Bible is the book that not only reveals God’s plan for and his involvement in the history of mankind, but “why” he did what he did. He reveals his heart, his overwhelming love and commitment to us, what really motivates him to be so faithful to us.

For instance, if you read the above verse quoted from the book of Hebrews and are not stirred in you heart emotionally, you are missing the magnitude of God’s victory for you. You are not hearing him whisper to your heart, “I love you this much.”

It was no small thing for Jesus to come to us as a man. He had to willingly take the world’s greatest demotion. He was required to vacate the throne of God to take on the form of a man and make himself a servant, not only of his Father, God, but of all mankind.

But if that wasn’t humiliating enough, he was willing to be rejected and mocked by those whom he served. Then he volitionally took on himself our sins as his own, accepting our curse by dying in our place, so that we could be saved. So extreme was his suffering on the cross that he cried out “My God, my God, why have YOU forsaken me?” (emphasis mine).

It is no wonder, then, that the apostle Paul declared, “God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8).

Have you entered into his love by humbling yourself before him, admitting your need of his love in your life?

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What would happen if no one listened to the referees or their whistles or flags? What if Commissioners and owners would not support the referees? Soon, the players would stop listening. The referees may give up and leave. Football would become crazy and dangerous. For a short time, it may be pretty fun to watch. But without rules, the game would start to look pretty stupid.

Let's look at that as an analogy for government. Who makes and enforces the rules of government? Our elected leaders make laws based on what the citizens they represent want. Law enforcement officers enforce them. This includes county sheriffs, state police, and federal agencies like the FBI and Homeland Security. These officers can stop and arrest you. They can legally kill you if you are a threat to them or others. You are put in the legal system where there are prosecutors, lawyers and judges. Judges expect their decisions to be obeyed and enforced.

Right now, the Trump administration breaks laws many times a day - some small, some very serious. The Republican-led Congress allows this to continue. The laws are ignored as if they never existed. Courts can challenge lawbreaking, but judges rely on law enforcement to carry out the rulings. If the judge's decisions are ignored and not enforced, the system of laws, checks and balances breaks down. Civilization breaks down when no one will enforce the laws.

From day one, the Trump administration began to weaken law enforcement. Anyone not loyal to the president was removed from the FBI, CIA, Justice Department and other agencies. **Even our military,** the greatest enforcer of our laws and rights is affected. Experienced senior commanders were removed and replaced with unqualified loyalists. Removal of leadership continues at all levels if they are female, or a minority, or if they are felt not to be loyal enough.

At first, a lot of people thought this rule-breaking was sort of entertaining. They thought it was a kind of justice for stupid bureaucrats. They liked to see Washington shaken up. **But now the system of laws and enforcement designed to protect the U.S. population is in danger. More people see that the game is not just stupid. It is dangerous. Very dangerous.**

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- Manage legal records, projects, and the Legal Counsel's calendar with accuracy and confidentiality.
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- Review and manage subcontractor and supplier insurance documentation to ensure compliance with company and project requirements.
- Utilize project compliance systems such as AASHTOWare, LCP Tracker, and CRCS to track project, subcontractor, and compliance data.
- Coordinate, prepare, and submit bid bonds for projects and other requests as needed.
- Request, obtain, and submit RRPL insurance quotes to approved providers.
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- Prepare, update, and maintain master service agreements and related documentation.
- Support documentation and compliance requirements for WIDOT letting processes.

Skills/Qualifications:

- Strong attention to detail with the ability to review and process documents accurately
- Basic understanding of legal terminology, subcontracts, insurance or vendor documentation (training provided)
- Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, Outlook); experience with data entry or document tracking systems preferred
- Ability to organize and maintain records and files for compliance and reporting purposes
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