
Words of Truth

True Religious Liberty Doesn't Exist In The U.S.

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A faithful Christian woman has worked for a company for over eighteen years. She has become a Christian. The law in this country supposedly grants citizens religious freedom (the first amendment to the US Constitution) and requires employers to make reasonable accommodations for such (<https://www.eeoc.gov/laws/types/religion.cfm>). However, her employer begins making accommodations and then rescinds them because of complaints from other employees. When this faithful Christian woman talks with her employer, they are unwilling to help further because others wanted special accommodations to go see sporting events, have parties, etc. Now, this woman must choose between her job that her family needs for income, insurance, etc. and what to do about faithfully worshipping God. We all know the local church can, should, and will make changes to help her (I Corinthians 11:33), but under the law should not have to.

On the other hand, if a homosexual or transvestite required changes at work (i.e. a bathroom change); employers would run scared and make those changes for fear of a lawsuit. If a person claimed some kind of racist remarks were made against he or she or unfair treatment because of their race; the employer would take a strong stand for that employee for fear of a lawsuit. If a person claimed sexist remarks or related problems existed in the workplace; the employer would make drastic changes to accommodate that person for fear of a lawsuit.

The unmistakable fact is, everyone in the so-called United States of America (a misnomer because there is NO unity at all in the states) has a voice when it comes to liberty EXCEPT for faithful Christians. This free country defends the "civil rights" of sinners, not the civil rights of us whom are the few faithful on earth. Think about it, Muslims have more support against discrimination than a real Christian (<https://www.aclu.org/feature/protecting-religious-freedom-muslims>). This country is not against "religion", they are just against true Christians.

I know the above paragraphs have likely stirred you up a bit. They are all true statements and the evidence is EVERYWHERE around us. However, as faithful students of the Scriptures, we should not be surprised. The divided States of America (more appropriate) are united 99% in one thing. Almost every adult person in this country is a child of the devil (I John 3:8-10). Almost every adult in this country is a wicked person of the world (I John 5:19). What does God say we are to expect from such people? Let's consider that!

It Should Come Of No Surprise Since We're Dealing With The World

People in this country like to think of themselves as moral people. The fact is, this country has long been evil. Even from the inception wherein false religious people (the "pilgrims") came

to North America. The United States of America is comprised of, and always has been, of people of the world. There is less true morality here than in Muslim countries (that is a SAD, SAD, statement). Hence, we should expect our "fellow Americans" to be against us.

Consider what the Lord says about how the world treats the faithful: *"These things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also... I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world... But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy. Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation... Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you"* (John 15:17-20, John 17:14-16, I Peter 2:9-12, and I John 3:13).

The time for alarm is not when the world is against you, but rather if the world were on your side (Proverbs 29:27 and Luke 6:26). We, like Jesus (John 8:12), are lights in this world (Matthew 5:14-16 and Philippians 2:14-16). The world hates the light (John 3:19-21). Thus, it should be no surprise to us as citizens of a worldly country when we find our civil rights are not nearly equal to those of sinners. This country of "tolerance" that we live in is certainly not able to tolerate faithful Christianity.

You have the right to speak freely, unless that right of "free speech" calls a homosexual a damned sinner. It doesn't matter that such is the truth from GOD (Genesis 18:16-19:29, Romans 1:18-32, I Corinthians 6:9-10, and Jude 1:7). Speaking the truth always makes enemies (Proverbs 15:12 and Galatians 4:16). Civil authorities have almost always stood in opposition to those whom speak the truth. Such was even true when those civil authorities proclaimed to be men of God (I Kings 22:1-38 and Acts 4:1-5:42). We should not be surprised that we, as faithful Christians, cannot speak or live the truth freely without persecution.

Conclusion

All that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution (II Timothy 3:12). We should be exceeding glad when we face such things as we consider the reward for enduring through it all (Matthew 5:10-12). As citizens of the kingdom of Christ (Colossians 1:12-13 and Hebrews 12:22-28), we have no place in this world wherein we shall truly feel at home (John 18:36 and Philippians 3:20-21). We may not have the liberties that we have falsely been told we do, but we do have a reward to look forward to that should keep our outlook positive (I Peter 1:3-9).