

Sermon Notes

Standing for Truth in a Post-Truth Culture

“All Value Systems Are Not the Same: How Christianity Shaped America”

Dt. 8:8-19

Intro Ps. 33:18; Ps. 11:3

Big Idea: The American ideal of human dignity comes from our Founding Fathers’ reliance on the truth of the Bible.

- I. Believers must be aware that the foundational American idea of human dignity is being eroded.
 1. In a Post-Truth culture, the idea of human dignity will constantly be changing based on the feelings and preferences of people.
 2. We must resist the idea that all value systems are equally valid. (i.e. Pluralism)
- II. We must understand that human value and human dignity comes from God.
 1. The Declaration of Independence is the foundational document for the U.S. Constitution.

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal and are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness.”
 2. As Christians we must admit our founders fell short of this high ideal.

III. Our children and grandchildren need to know of our Founding Fathers’ reliance on the truths of the Bible.

1. George Washington, Sam Adams, and Patrick Henry gave clear testimony of personal faith in Jesus Christ.
2. James Madison insisted on three branches of government because of a belief in the biblical principle of the depravity of man.
3. John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, and Benjamin Franklin gave clear testimony of their belief in God for morality and America’s hope for sustaining liberty.

IV. We must resist and educate those who would deny the profound influence that the truth of God’s Word had on the foundational principles of America.

V. We must seek to defend our faith in a way that pleases our Savior Jesus Christ.