

The State of Our Nation & The Next Generation



Selected Scriptures – PART 1 – SERMON OUTLINE

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[Proverbs 11:14] [Proverbs 15:22] [Proverbs 24:6] [Psalm 1:1-2] [2 Timothy 3:16-17]

What is the root cause, of all that is happening right now in our nation, and in our world?

[Ecclesiastes 1:9] [Isaiah 14:12-15]

- **Man, out of his _____ nature, is rejecting, and rebelling against, the _____ rule of God in this world.**

[Psalm 115:3]

What are the most critical issues that we are facing today, here in New Zealand, and how should we both understand, and respond to these?

The Current Critical Issues:

1. The LGBTQ+/PRIDE Movement
2. The Social Justice Movement
3. The Socialism Movement
4. The Environmentalism Movement
5. The Abortion Movement

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The LGBTQ+/PRIDE Movement

- **The destruction of _____**

[Romans 1:28] [1 Corinthians 6:9-11]

General Application:

1. **Make sure you have a clear grasp on the biblical _____ of gender and sexuality – so that you are not unwittingly _____**
2. **Love these people with the _____, but be very _____ and wise in your approach, avoiding zeroing in on particular sins**

3. **Respectfully, but firmly, _____ and _____ any pressure to embrace or celebrate that which is contrary to Scripture**

Gen Z Application:

1. **If you can, prayerfully seek a career, or work situation in which you are _____ to lose your job, because you couldn't _____ this movement – think outside the box to provide.**
2. **Don't _____ the opportunity you have to bring _____ and transformation to the next generation, as you _____ yourself to sharing the gospel with people caught up in this movement**
3. **Guard your _____, and your _____ in the area of music, media, and social media – if you sow to the flesh you will reap corruption (Gal 6:8)**

The Social Justice Movement

- **The end of individual _____ and freedom of _____**

[Ezekiel 18:19-22] [Galatians 3:28]

General Application:

1. **Understand the biblical doctrines of _____, and injustice, so that you don't buy into the _____ of Social Justice**
2. **Reject the idea of _____ victimisation, by being an _____ of one who takes responsibility for their own lives and actions**
3. **_____ the proclamation of the gospel by doing good works to the poor, needy, and suffering in _____ to the gospel, but never in _____ of the gospel**

Gen Z Application:

1. **Do not enter adult life believing you are a racist, just because you are _____, or labelled as an _____ by default – you're not.**
2. **Live by example among your generation, and others, as those who recognise that it is the _____ that defines character, not the _____ of your skin.**
3. **Resist the temptation to give valuable _____ to any mission, cause or movement, that is not _____-centred, or that does not give opportunity to share the gospel.**

[1 John 2:15-17]