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## **Empowered by the Word**

***“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge...” Hosea 4:6a.***

God has stirred my spirit with a very sad and disheartening revelation. Biblical illiteracy is at an all time high. Not only among Americans but also among Born Again Believers. How can this be when most Americans agree that the Bible has the answers to life's basic questions? Sadly people just do not see Bible reading and study a necessary part of daily living.

This was certainly not the mindset of our founding Fathers. George Washington, our first president said, *“It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible.”* John Adams, our second president said, *“I have examined all religions... and the result is that the Bible is the best Book in the world. It contains more philosophy than all the libraries I have seen.”* Thomas Jefferson, our third president said, *“I have always said, I always say, that the studious perusal of the sacred volume will make better citizens, better fathers and better husbands.”* James Madison, our fourth president said, *“We have staked the whole future of American civilization, not upon the power of government, far from it. We've staked the future of all our political institutions upon our capacity... to sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God.”* Today less politicians will ever quote a Scripture let alone acknowledge God.

A survey conducted by George Barna, a highly respected researcher, revealed that those 10,000 Americans surveyed believed that cohabitation (60%), adultery (42%), sexual relations between homosexuals (30%), abortion (45%), pornography (38%), the use of profanity (36%), and gambling (61%) are “morally acceptable” behaviors. Yet the Bible makes it clear where God stands on these issues. Problem: people are not reading and applying God's Word but making choices based on opinion.

Other surveys show that 50% of Born Again Believers do not consider themselves “absolutely committed” to the Christian Faith. It's no wonder the Church is in the state that it is.

Barna's survey also shockingly revealed that only 9% of Believers claim to have a biblical worldview meaning they believe the Bible has the answers to all world situations. Allow me this moment!! The Bible is God's Holy Word for all situations, times, conditions, races, cultures, locations, crisis and problems. It is the same yesterday, today and forever. It never changes regardless to what changes around it. The Word of God is established forever; period!

There are ways to stop Biblical Illiteracy. For Believers to know God's Word we must read it, hear it, mediate on it, study it and apply it to daily living. Church must commit to teaching God's Word in its entirety, equipping the Saints and raising the standard for Christian Education. Believers must take seriously the need to know God's Word for themselves and their children. Satan desires to destroy us by keeping us from the Bible that gives life. II Tim. 3:16 says, "*All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*"

Pray for a revival of God's Word in the life of His children. Pray for Believers to hunger and thirst for righteousness. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you in your quest to know more of God's Holy Word. It is time to turn the tide on Bible Illiteracy!

In His Image,  
Dr. Glenn Mills

Dear Partners,

I pray that as you read the Newsletter that your heart was touched by the need to stop Bible Illiteracy. I am totally committed to teaching and preaching the life changing, transforming Word of God. Knowing about this need will not make it better unless we do something about it.

You are helping stop Bible Illiteracy with every dollar you give to this World Wide Ministry. Your support allows "Empowered by the Word" to proclaim the truths of God's Word to multiplied thousands each day. I receive reports weekly from Listeners who say the programs are impacting their lives with truth from God's Word. This would not be possible without the help of our Faith Partners.

I wish to thank those who are so faithful in your support. Please continue praying for us and giving as God leads you. Pray others will join with us in reaching the World with God's Holy Word. We can make a difference when we stand and work together.

Glenn Mills

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