

WHERE ARE WE NOW AND WHERE ARE WE GOING? (PART 3)

Introduction – The Bible presents history divided into two ages. The present age is one of rebellion, suffering, and death. The age to come has already begun in the Messiah and His Covenant Community. God wants His people to influence their culture and not conform to societal standards. We used the example of Germany as a warning sign for the trajectory of Western civilization.

- A. Sociologists agree that the health of every society depends on stable marriages and families.

Genesis 1:27-28

The sexual revolution in America has focused on physical body image and personal, selfish pleasure.

Ephesians 4:17-19

1. Women have been encouraged to adapt a misguided masculine model of casual sex. Males have been given a pornographic illusion to pursue.
2. The results of the sexual revolution are casual cohabitation and easy divorce.
3. Children have suffered the most from this reprobate revolution.
4. Through various forms of prevention and abortion, we are headed to a childless future. Many European countries are way ahead of us down this road of societal suicide.
5. The church of Christ must celebrate marriage and children and strengthen them .

- B. The Community of Christ must be a counter culture of faithfulness and fruitfulness .

1 Thessalonians 4:3-8

- C. Christian families must exhibit healthy relationships according to God's will.

Colossians 3:18-21

- D. Christian singles must model a moral and God-glorifying lifestyle.

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Conclusion – We have been redeemed from an empty way of life in Christ.

1 Peter 1:13-18

Discussion Questions

1. What are today's pressures on men and women to compromise their sexual morality?
2. What effect has the American sexual revolution had on marriage and families?
3. What can we do to strengthen our families and singles so they can resist societal pressures?