

## “RULE OVER OUR UNIVERSITIES”

Might you expect that the above title might be a public government-approved prayer in behalf of our nation, a nation on whose currencies we are continually told, “In God We Trust”? If so, you are overly optimistic. Too, if you would be among those who would desire such prayers from our nation’s leaders, you could be called a “nationalist”, “fascist”, “Islamophobe”, and names I’d prefer not to print. You might also be charged with a conspiracy to change our democracy into a theocracy, a move that would surely impose Christian standards—even in our schools, including our universities. What a revolution that would be!

But never fear. No government-sponsored prayers for our nation’s universities, calling for God to rule over them, has been heard. Where in the world, then, would such a prayer dare to be made? The report I received Thursday implicates Poland. To quote the opening sentence: “Last year the government and church in Poland, for everyone to see, formally consecrated Jesus Christ as King of Poland, whose right it is to be king over all nations. Among the prayers offered up, during the ceremony in Krakow, was a plea to our Lord ‘to “rule over our universities.”’ Can you imagine the shock in government-circles and public universities for any in the political system of our country to dare to suggest that Jesus be our King? If I recall correctly, the founders of our nation, having suffered abuse under England’s King George, protested his rule with signs, reading such as “No Other King But Jesus!”

Do our universities need to be ruled by Jesus? Who can imagine the Prince of Peace allowing, and even promoting riots and turmoil within our nation? Would He advocate “No whites allowed on campus” day, as in Evergreen University in the state of Washington? It is reported that they asked the professors “to go easy on the students who didn’t do their class work, or made shambles of it, because they were too busy rioting—or as the provost put it, ‘diverting time and energy from their academic

work to promote institutional change and social justice.” Would the Bible and 10 Commandments be ruled off-limits, lest they influence the thinking and behavior of the students? Also, would King Jesus dismiss professors who would suggest creation as a possible origin of Creation? Or that marriage must involve a man and a woman, not two of the same sex? Or, any questioning of the heresies of political correctness?

Psalms 33:12a summarizes this issue: “*Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD....*” Our nation has foolishly cast Him off as we have devoted our allegiance to the god of political correctness and the god of spiritual darkness. We should add the latter part of Psa. 33:12, however, for we are not without hope: The blessing of God is also upon “*the people whom He hath chosen for His own inheritance.*” Who, today, are these “chosen” ones? The apostle Peter addressed believers in Christ, “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 marvelous light” (1 Peter 2:9). Jesus will one day be seen and acknowledged as “King of kings, and Lord of Lords” at His coming, (Revelation 19:16). Blessed are those who will so-acknowledge Him now. Do you?

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