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# Consequences

When we worry about what might be  
Or about the consequences of following God  
We have to weigh in the consequences  
Of following our own thoughts and desires

Walking by faith means  
Remembering God will back you up

Many use critical thinking to reject God  
Christians should use critical thinking to reject the devil  
These short term pleasures  
Are they worth the long term pain?

It many times scares us to follow God  
As we see many examples of suffering servants of God in the  
Bible  
But we fail to take into account the many others  
Who suffer greatly doing their own thing

I think one of the ways Christians are deceived  
Is that when we want something  
We tend to stop thinking rationally about how we acquire it  
Or even if we should acquire it at all

Following God definitely comes from sacrifice  
This is understood  
But the repeated battles can really wear you down  
That may be why God tells us to focus on today

It is so easy to get distracted  
From the practice of pursuing God  
This might be the greatest proof yet

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That there is a supernatural world

There is a definite evil and good  
And they are at constant war within us

To defeat our own desires  
Which the devil uses to tie us down  
We need to seek God  
With the same fervor as we followed our own desires

We need to see the role of the devil and evil in our lives  
And replace them with the Lord

Sometimes evil seems so strong  
And there are so many previously made bad decisions  
That recovery seems insurmountable  
It is easy to get discouraged

One thing that has helped me  
Is that I chose a long time ago  
To never give up

This stubbornness has had painful effects at times  
But also it may save me yet  
If used as part of God's plan

I think it must be almost impossible  
To learn to cultivate positive traits  
Like learning to be kind or creative  
Without first learning to be disciplined and resilient

We must find a way to put a line in the sand  
And say no more compromise

But the thing the sinner has to remember  
Is that they cannot make promises

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Because they do not know  
If they will follow through with them

At this point  
Instead of continually turning back to God in prayer  
We need to turn back to Him in action

When our journey in faith reaches a critical phase  
We must prove we believe by the choices  
In what we do  
Not just in what we believe

And we must make these choices  
Over and over again  
This is where we need real strength from God

If we stopped and thought about the consequences of sin  
Before we committed the sin  
It would make it much easier to flee from the devil

The devil is just very good at making  
Junk look like treasure

We need to pray to God  
To get us to stop and think  
Before we do something out of habit

Resisting the devil is all about discernment  
Because the devil operates by deception  
That is why he has made the Internet possible  
Which took 1,000 years to evolve

The Internet contains all the tools and concepts  
To lie, cheat, and destroy  
The information revolution has brought us lies not truth

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In a battle for truth  
The most effective weapon is a lie

Those who cannot win anyway else  
Are the ones who get good at spying  
Or at ambush, guerrilla warfare, or other indirect attacks  
All based on deceiving the enemy

God is more powerful  
And has a more powerful army in addition  
Plus He can and does pull everyone's strings  
Even the devil's strings

Just as we are surrounded by evil  
So the Lord surrounds that evil

Many techniques the devil uses  
Can also be repurposed for God's glory

Forming good habits can counter bad habits  
Reinforcement can be used for both good and bad purposes  
Feedback loops can help us bring greater victory faster

Desire for things of this world  
Can be replaced by a desire to seek God

The drive to attain pleasure  
Can be redirected towards pleasing God  
The power of addiction  
Can be turned into commitment to God

Impatience to commit sin  
Can turn into relying on God

The very same techniques used to enslave  
Can be used to liberate too

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Information and decisions are the keys  
To breaking free from sin

As our world and country come  
To a great decision making point  
So we must choose a side as well

The choice is simple in principle  
But all the details make it more difficult

This is one of the most difficult times to be alive  
For anyone anywhere in the world today  
Including animals and nature

Ironically the same human institutions  
We thought were designed to liberate us  
Did the exact opposite

What once seemed to reduce suffering  
Now merely increases it

The same things that brought about order  
Are driving things apart

God is showing us on a grand scale  
Human solutions do not work

They work in the same way  
Physical and economic laws work  
They are quite consistent

But they do not keep you from  
Getting injured or starving to death  
Sometimes they contribute to those things

# Something Small

A great wind comes from all directions  
I hold my hand close to a small flame  
I shield and protect it  
As a member of my family

I suspend judgement for but a moment  
Self doubt is under rated

In the midst of waves of destruction  
I stand on a tall mountain  
On a tiny island

Sometimes I think there is no more room  
But sometimes the rushing wind  
Calms my mind or at least distracts it

Many see meaning in their cause  
I see meaning in challenging my mind

When there is no direction  
And hope is not easily found  
Sometimes you cannot trust your heart  
This is the most important time

Stepping forward in faith  
Often means doing nothing but waiting

Warfare need not be violent  
An resistance can be a purely internal thing

We see nothing ahead but suffering



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But maybe the end is not anymore painful  
Than the beginning was

We fear our future  
But maybe we should pray for His return  
We struggle to silence our critics

But maybe this is where we need to be

Jesus did not speak  
When challenged and berated  
Maybe this time we need internal growth

Learning self control is never easy  
As it is almost impossible  
To be relaxed in the midst of fear or pain

We think to prepare for disasters  
We need to hoard supplies  
But maybe we are our own enemies

Maybe the last battle  
Is taking place in our own minds

Is the revolutionary aspect of Christianity  
About gender or sex?  
What does the Bible say about masculinity?

Is it more difficult to create or destroy?  
If Christ changed the world more than any other Person  
Then why do we think we need to travel  
To spread the Gospel?

What if the hardest convert  
Is the Church itself?

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Questioning God is a tricky thing to do respectfully  
But it is Christian to doubt ourselves  
Many great Christians in fact doubted their very faith at times

If we are to overcome our evil intentions  
Can we always avoid the darkness?

We think of the darkness as only about evil  
But spiritual trials can be used for good

The absence of light can just be giving you evidence  
That you are going somewhere you have never been before

The future is open and empty  
Even Christ does not know when He will return

Sometimes fear of being wrong is not strong enough  
And certainty of pain and loneliness can lead to evil

Do not give up on God  
He is not just in control of our history  
He has planned it out directly

We sometimes think serving God  
Means we have to fight someone else

But if we take a step back  
Maybe now who we see as the enemy  
Could eventually be a friend of God

Our journey is not over  
Until we are in a coffin

God can and does quicken us  
After all spiritual strength  
Does not correlate with age

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The best trained soldiers in history  
Have often seen combat as a kind of dance

Gunpowder was first used for fireworks  
And not explosives in war until much later

Our biggest opposition is not the other  
But our own ability to be distracted  
And our lack of commitment

Proof of your faith does not need to come from pain  
There are better ways to serve God than dying for Him

If we cannot see past our current circumstances  
We need to step forward in faith  
And do something deliberately small

What does Christ call us to do until He returns?  
Simple acts of kindness  
Maybe we can kill the opposition with kindness

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# Hope for the Future

Sight is only one kind of knowing  
Darkness is not a color  
There are things we may never know  
But also things we wish we didn't

Waiting upon God is hard  
Like waiting for food  
Especially when in pain

Each day that we live  
We learn a little more  
But without hope for better times  
It is easy to get lost

I wish I could save everyone  
But some things are only God's to do  
I try to learn from others' experiences  
But that is not so easily done

With my mental illness  
I seek symbols and connections  
Even places where there are few to none

Our lives can have meaning  
Even in a world that makes little sense

What is the point of discovering why we suffer  
If we cannot use it to reduce suffering?  
What is the point of knowledge  
If it does not make us better people?

As we get older do we really grow?

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Does experience actually result in wisdom?

When the smartest people in the world  
Believe that things came out of nothing  
And our decisions create separate time lines  
Is life a cruel joke?

Are we part of a grand game  
Initiated by a higher power?  
The pagan world is cruel  
And so is life without God

Christ may not be the answer  
For why your computer doesn't work  
But He is the answer  
To what I should do with my life

If we are to truly evolve  
Maybe we need a moral revolution

To go forward we need better memory  
We need to look into the past  
To find a way into the future  
That does not bring severe depression

Can we get past God?  
Can a computer achieve enlightenment?  
Or can a person become a virus?

We seek answers in the form of math  
Maybe for some problems poetry is more useful

In an age where everything is temporary  
And most things are stolen  
Where does our truth come from?  
Who can we trust?

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When no one cares about anything anymore  
Than their fame, money, and power  
Seeking wisdom is futile and irrelevant  
But this is only an illusion

Just as we see this moral battle  
Played out on the world stage  
So this moral battle also takes place  
Within each of our minds

Does anyone care anymore?  
Is God relevant today?  
Are eating and sleeping still relevant?  
Do we no longer need water or air?

Some questions may be better answered  
By the choices we make  
Than the creeds we commit to

Just as getting rid of vice laws  
And increasing the aggression of police  
Are slowly unwinding trust

So giving up on God  
Gives us few reasons  
To want a society at all

Being around people can be discouraging  
This is truly why we need  
Time alone with God

The greatest desire today  
Is what it has always been  
How can I be happy?

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Is happiness the absence of pain?  
Or satisfying our need for God?

As we reduce our existence  
To finding food, shelter, and clothing  
What empowers us to make good choices  
Is harder to find

As we increase the volume of our voices  
It is harder to hear God

With each decision we make  
We become different people  
Has your experience in life  
Brought you closer or farther from God?

I have learned to trust no one  
Least of all myself  
But my respect for God grows  
The more I learn of Him

Christ is the best example we can have  
But if we do not have the Holy Spirit  
Living within our souls  
We are never going to be better people

Without being better people  
We will never have a better world  
And without progress it is easy to give up

Maybe the world will just fade away  
As everyone just gives up  
As society seems to get worse  
No matter how we try to fix it

Maybe we will remember God



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And allow Him to work in our lives  
And therefore transform our world  
This is my hope for the future

# Like a Diamond

Faith shines like a rainbow  
A bridge between God and people

Like a portal to another world  
An inter-dimensional road  
That leads to paradise

People think Heaven is far away  
Or dying is traumatic  
Maybe it is like waking up  
From a bad dream

Like a wounded animal  
It cries and bleeds  
The echoes of the cross  
Can be heard throughout history

Suffering is the human condition  
But Christ is the best answer  
When we look to what faith is  
The most direct answer is Christ

Like a diamond simple from afar  
The brilliance spreads out  
In every direction  
Just like the grace of God

Why does taking on the life of Christ  
Lead to less suffering?

The source of our suffering is our sin  
We are not always protected from

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The consequences of the sin of the other

We can be protected from our own sin  
If we would but fight for it

When we fall we hit hard  
But we can always get back up  
Because the soul cannot be destroyed  
And God absorbs what we cannot take

We are as morally elusive as water  
And our hearts hard as ice  
Let God warm our hearts  
And lead the flow of our emotions

Just like you can see rainbows  
In the middle of mud puddles  
So God's grace shines in even the dirty

No matter how big our problems get  
Or how much we think we have learned  
We can never get beyond the cross

At every stage of life and history  
We all need God to deal with life

In this age we seek to explain everything  
But our questions are all oriented around the how  
When we think we have the answers  
We cannot hear the voice of God

Is it still worth questioning life's problems?

We can never solve problems  
If we do not examine them  
But we need to focus on the Who more

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Than the how or even the why

It is worth noting the source of our problems  
But let us not forget the origin  
Of all human problems

We cannot heal our hearts  
Until we are willing to let them break  
We cannot see the brilliance of grace  
Without the second sight of faith

Maybe we became spiritually blind  
When our culture became too visual  
Maybe there is a correlation  
Between the loss of sight and the start of wisdom

We currently live in a world of lies  
The most valuable thing today is the truth  
Knowledge is just a commodity  
But the truth is harder to find than ever before

Just as a diamond is transparent  
So should our character be

We can only be the light of the world  
If we allow God  
To burn off our imperfections

And we can only be clean  
By the blood of Christ

Like a diamond  
We are to reflect the attributes of Christ

We cannot live the life of Christ  
But we can be a poor reflection

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Of how much He cares

If there is enough light  
Even a cloudy diamond  
Can reflect the light

And light is most visible  
When it is so dark we cannot see

We are righteous by Divine declaration  
Even as we have not reached that in our actions

We are lights to the world  
As God has chosen us to be that light

We cannot step back  
Or sit on the sidelines  
There is no turning back

We are chosen  
And have accepted the call  
We are already fully committed

God will not allow us to outrun Him  
There is no escape from His love  
And we will be sanctified  
No matter how much we fight it

He has already prepared the way  
And He carries us when needed  
Once we see the light of His grace  
We will never be the same

May the light of God  
Blind us to all lies

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May the brilliance of His love  
Heal us from all sorrow

May the world see us no more  
But only Christ's reflection in us

# Christianity is Revolutionary

Our society is formed around the idea  
That the good of the group  
Is more important  
Than the good of the individual

Society sees people as groups  
God sees us as individuals  
He always has time for us

The kindness in His leadership  
Is one of the most revolutionary aspects  
Of the character of God

God not only leads by example  
He defeated evil by being weak

He is more Human than any of us  
But He shows people can both  
Be strong leaders  
While suffering injustice  
And be kind even when in pain

He started the first social revolution  
Lesser leaders throughout history  
Have tried to control and exploit  
His message for their gain

But Scripture is clear on this  
That God is slow to anger  
And quick to forgive

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He is better than us in every way  
But He uses His power to heal  
Not only is God our Creator  
He heals us as well  
In ways doctors still cannot

When the problems are too big  
For people or the Church to tackle  
God will step in and work directly  
This is sometimes called  
Divine intervention or the miraculous

But the world is bigger than  
What is recorded in the Bible  
And God loves everyone even non-Christians  
Especially non-Christians

Christianity is something everyone can participate in  
All are called and welcome  
Christ is the ultimate frontier  
Through Who we can truly begin again  
That is why salvation is also called being born again

If we are to truly understand  
More of what Christ has said  
We need to take forgiveness seriously  
And need to be kind to everyone

We need not support any group  
That fails to abide by these morals

Some may think me unpatriotic  
But I carry serious emotional and physical scars  
Directly from my service to my country

That to a great extent



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Seriously limit my possibilities  
And what I can achieve and help in

But my loyalty is to God alone  
I will not suffer anymore  
For any ideology other than Christianity

Does America do good in this world?  
Yes, but it is not worth the cost  
What we have to do to maintain the world empire  
Is not moral or kind  
I do not want to live at the expense of others

Sometimes when someone calls for a revolution  
They are trying to change things politically  
Obviously from history and human nature this not work  
The problems are institutional  
Which means they are spiritually driven

It makes no sense to try to fight the devil  
God has already defeated him  
And will fight the battles we encounter on our behalf

Even though the entirety of the world's power  
Could not defeat the devil at all  
God often sends just one angel to control the devil

As powerful as evil is to us  
It does not stand a chance against God  
God does not struggle to do this kind of thing

It did take a struggle to die on the cross for us  
We also experience what we imagine  
Is a similar level of struggle  
When we live out our faith  
Through trials and tribulations

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The only limits God has are the ones  
He places on Himself  
He will not force us to go to Heaven

I am a very creative person  
At least that its what most people tell me  
But there are some things it is unwise  
To be completely creative in without limits

Some examples include problem solving or laws  
Accounting and the military  
Do not usually encourage creativity  
So it is with theology

There are many things  
You can be creative with in Christianity  
But theology has eternal consequences  
If you get too creative with the obvious stuff

There are always consequences  
And nothing is free without cost of some kind  
Christianity was not free for Christ  
And living as a Christian will involve suffering

The difference is with Christ  
You get the support of the Church  
And God living inside you  
In addition to reconciliation with God  
For this life and eternity

# Process of Victory

Victory sometimes happens quickly  
But often it is long and drawn out  
One leader wins totally  
And the other loses everything  
If the war is quick

But a slow war is where everyone loses

Some wars are easy at first  
But occupation and governance  
Make it impossible to keep the gains

Many times it actually requires  
That the winning side  
Has to put the other into slavery

And transfer all the wealth  
Out of the defeated  
To even get enough money  
To cover the cost of the war

Many countries have lost great wealth  
And can no longer afford powerful armies  
Because they overspent on wars  
But the reverse is not true

Wealthy countries even without armies  
Can easily hire others to fight wars for them  
And have no trouble defending themselves

Every battle has to be fought differently

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And the early decisions of both you  
And those of your enemy  
Require you to adjust your strategy over time

You can win by superior technology  
By various forms of deception  
By taking more casualties  
Or by a combination of the above

The current power of the West  
Is because a certain form of war technology is dominant  
We are good at a very narrow type of warfare  
That is focused around the use of guns for weapons

This kind of warfare works best in teams  
With great coordination, communication, and cooperation  
This is why the military encourages discipline

They military does not want you to be creative or heroic  
They would prefer you weak and afraid  
If that motivates you to be cautious  
Mostly they just want you to quickly respond to orders

Basic Training is also called Combat Survival Training  
In order to survive in combat  
You have to work together without thinking

The is why the military trains you  
In the same simple task over and over again

The most difficult part of combat is  
Operating under extreme stress  
Modern combat is chaos

Many of the same concepts apply to spiritual warfare  
This is also know as dealing with problems in life

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As most personal problems have a spiritual component in them

This is because we are suffering due to our or another's sin  
This effects everyone whether they are Christian or not

The human response is to make yourself more disciplined  
The Biblical response is to let God take over us

It is unwise to take on an enemy more powerful than yourself  
Without a bigger ally or at least some asymmetric strategy

For instance do not try to shoot or outrun a bear  
Simply avoid playing with their children or feeding them  
Secure your food scent and store it away from you

The spiritual battles are not really between you and the devil  
They are between your will and God's will  
Sin is rebellion against God not primarily against the government

So what does victory look like?  
For some it may be a fast war  
For some it may be a struggle their entire lives  
For many they will win at first and then struggle later on

The important thing to remember  
Is that Christ had already won the war  
The devil just won't admit defeat

Christian spiritual battles are different  
Than any other form of warfare  
Because God cannot lose

And as long as you submit to His will  
The battle ends before it starts

But most of us need to fight our entire lives

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The devil is stubborn  
His main strategy is deception

That is why reading the Bible is important  
The devil know the Bible better than most Christians

But the devil is not creative in any way  
He doesn't use his own scripture  
He tries to distort God's

Lies are more effective  
And easier to remember  
If they are as close to the truth as possible

Fighting the devil can by draining  
And we suffer throughout life  
Because of our or another's sins

We get battle scars along the way  
But God not only created us  
He also heals us as well

Life itself is a a battle  
And attacks will not stop  
Until you are with the Lord

You cannot lose  
Because Christ has already won

But there will be pain and struggle  
There will be victory after salvation  
But continued guerrilla warfare  
By way of deception  
On the part of the devil

This will be hard to explain to people

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Who choose not to believe  
Because they want a definite cause  
And a definite effect

They want to see a measurable problem first  
And then see a measurable solution next

Maybe this is why Alcoholics Anonymous  
Uses the term recovering addict  
Not recovered addict

The devil knows he cannot win  
So he is here to hurt as many as possible

The thing is that God knows everything  
And is pulling the devil's strings as well  
We all ultimately serve God

But this does not mean everyone reconciles with God  
For that you must chose to follow His will and not yours  
That is the Christian way of battle

# Violence and Faith

Christianity is not simple or easy  
Christianity is living the life of Christ  
Christians are to suffer in silence  
Christians are to essentially be pacifists

Which makes it ironic  
That Christians seek power over others  
Christ asks us to follow the rules  
Of the government but not its ideology

What does it mean to be in the world  
But not of the world?  
In practice it means following more rules

One of the ploys of the devil  
Is to get us turned on each other  
By making us think we can change things

By using the system of the world  
By the methods of fear and violence

How does a Christian embrace a worldview  
That uses force to compel others  
To think the same as they do?

Basically most people today  
Cannot agree to disagree  
Their solution is to dominate and destroy  
Those who disagree with them

This situation occurs when we are



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Unwilling to embrace self doubt

We can give a lot of simple answers  
To even profound questions  
But are these meaningful answers?

Non-Christians know Christians are good at arguing  
And know Bible theology really well  
This is not what keeps them from Christianity

They don't want to be Christians  
Because they don't want to be like us

Most embrace Christ but not Christianity  
Why is this?  
Maybe this is because we sound  
More like Pharisees than Christ

We add on all these cultural assumptions  
And extra conditions upon people  
Who are from a different culture

The world culture has changed  
American Christians do not want to accept this

The generations following mine  
Are even more interested in spiritual things  
There is currently a huge interest in new age practices

Christianity in America today  
Is at best associated with living like  
We are still at the height of the cold war  
And living without modern technology

If we want to keep things low technology  
We need to go much further back

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Because there is no fundamental change  
In the progression of technology  
From World War 2 to the present

The industrial revolution if successful  
Will logically lead to an information revolution

The situation during the Cold War happened  
Because Europe took over the world and then self-destructed  
There was a vacuum in world power and we filled it  
This time was a very sad and painful time for most of the world

American Christians are trying to fight against  
The very technologies and social developments  
That helped us win World War 2 and the Cold War  
And currently allows America the prosperity and power  
That it has in the world today

You cannot solve one problem without creating others  
Nothing is free

Fighting wars changes things to a degree  
But the greatest non-spiritually driven changes occur  
From economic, weather, and technology changes

We are trying to fight spiritual battles with physical weapons  
The enemy is not Russia, China, Europe, or the Middle East  
The enemy is us

Jesus Himself said our biggest problem is sin  
And only God can forgive sin

We will not be able to change  
People's attitude and thoughts  
By increasing punishments, laws, and surveillance

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Forcing someone to do something  
That they do not want to do rarely works  
But this is what both groups in America are pushing for

The only reason why we may  
Avoid fighting another civil war  
Is that people now are unwilling  
To sacrifice for their beliefs

It would be interesting to see  
What Christians overseas think  
About our political views on both sides

Most Christians are not Americans  
Most Americans are not Christians

Many powerful people tried to tie the 2 together  
Mostly for more soldier recruitment

But as much as there are powerful forces  
Behind this point of view  
Random people keep bringing up  
Big holes in this theory

# Church in a Toxic Society

We use the word Christian  
And the word America  
But I do not think we really understand  
What these things mean from the outside

It is not even about politics  
Even as just an intellectual discussion  
What does it mean to be Christian?  
Who did Jesus really criticize?

Why is it so hard to understand  
How we should relate to government and society?  
God is not a fan of human government

God did not want Israel to have a king or a democracy  
Christ's approach is not to have a more local government  
He does not want us to sacrifice all our values  
If they are merely economically inconvenient

He doesn't want us to compromise on moral issues  
But He does want us to get along

God is a romantic  
He cares about the individual person

What would you say to God  
If He asked you why you love America?  
What do you say to the majority of Christians in the world today  
Who do not live in America  
Or those in the past who did not  
Or future who will not as well?

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An eternal problem of the Church  
Is that it gets involved in politics  
And then the government ends up controlling the Church  
Not the other way around

Whenever Christianity gets traction in a society  
The Church then tries to make itself socially acceptable  
And in doing so alienates the people it is meant to serve  
Politics is a social issue not a religious one

What if we let our hearts bleed a little  
And we start to make social changes  
To include people of other social groups?

We need to show Christianity is truly universal  
By showing that all society can be part of it

Even the marginalized and those who utterly failed to adapt  
Not just to technology or reason

We hear a lot about issues in people's personal lives  
Championed in the American Church today  
But little about what is right or wrong for a nation

When we think we are good citizens  
Do good citizens accept the suffering we bring to the world?  
Does God want our country rich and others poor?

For those who want to implement laws  
That come from the Old Testament

Be sure to include things like the years of jubilee  
Where we forgive those of debts and crimes  
Why do we not celebrate the feasts of Israel?

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How can we just ignore all the social justice issues  
That God talks about in the Prophets  
Repeating the same ideas over and over

Where are our prophets that lead the country  
Not by majority vote or legal action  
But by talking directly with God?

Who is it in government that we can elect  
Who wants to rid America of sin?

If we can all agree Hollywood is a problem  
Will we give up all the money we get from it  
Or at least stop spending our money on its products?

If we believe we are in the world but not of it  
Why do we champion the ideas of the world?

Our nation has a long list of national sins  
One of which the Church has denounced recently  
But there are so many they do not want to believe

We are so loyal to our system  
Unless we have to pay more money or sacrifice anything  
Or God forbid we fight in one of the wars we vote for

How is being cheap a Christian value?

If we want to save money on clothing and food  
So we wear used clothing and eat used food  
This is probably ok with God

But why are we unwilling  
To pay more money to reduce trash  
Or to reduce the torture of animals?

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Why do we not dispose of our own waste  
In our own country?

Why do we hide the cost to God's creation  
On the other side of the world

This is because we do not want to admit  
How toxic our modern society is

And what are the most controversial issues ever?  
Anything that requires everyone to do something  
That we don't want to believe is a problem  
Even when required by law

Just like the Protestant view where  
Every believer can just spin their own theology to suit them  
So we think we can do so with government  
Just vote out the inconvenient ideas

It is easy to follow the laws you voted for  
As they fit your personal worldview  
That you think everyone else should believe

It is not just unbelievers who create their own religions

We cannot just choose certain human laws  
To follow and not others  
Just as we cannot choose just certain laws  
From the Bible to follow

Human laws are not ever going to be  
The same as God's laws  
But we need to follow both

And a moral stance on a particular issue  
Cannot just be abandoned

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Because we want to save money  
Or we think it inconvenient  
This is not a legitimate reason not to stand for them

And it is not a persecution of any kind  
When we are called out being mean to others  
Saying inappropriate things in public  
And people ask us to leave their property

When we think of not following a country's laws  
Because we think they are not moral  
Remember the apostles told us to serve our masters  
Even when we were sold into slavery

And Rome was so evil at the time  
That is was the evolution of Babylon  
And the home of the anti Christ  
What was the Christian response then?