

# PROTEST AND RIOTING

*Taking matters into one's own hands*

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**T**RAGICALLY, THE RIOTING, violence, murder, and destruction now (2020) being committed in the USA is only to be expected; it was initiated and legitimized in that country, not in recent years by social injustice, but at the start, in the 1770s. Their country was born out of sedition, treason, revolution, and rebellion, and they therefore declared these things legitimate actions. Embedded within the US DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE is their self-declared 'right' to do what became the taking up of arms and by violence and killing, the overthrow of authority, despite the fact that Scripture tells us that ALL authority is God-given and they were thus condemning themselves to hell!

**1 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.**

**2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.**

3 For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:

4 For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil.

5 Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake.

6 For this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing.

7 Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.

**Romans 13:1-7 The BIBLE**

Indeed, the US DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE claims that, if they feel government is improper, "... it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, ... <sup>1</sup>!" Ignoring the Word of God, their DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE goes on to actually seek and claim God's support for such unGodliness! But what is born out of division and violence declares a legitimacy for division and violence, and has no right to condemn division and violence. The country's birth in division and violence has plagued them ever since, in division, violence, and in civil war. The country born by the sword must necessarily live in fear of dying by the sword.

12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till He come and rain righteousness upon you.

13 Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies: because thou didst trust in thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.

14 Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people, and all thy fortresses shall be

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<sup>1</sup> US DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, 1776

spoiled,

**Hosea 10:12-14 The BIBLE**

52 Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.

**Matthew 26:52 The BIBLE**

Yes, it is true that our Heavenly Father has been using the US in an incredible manner for good things, and that it is a bastion of Christianity, a blessing to all nations, but the end definitely does NOT justify the means:

21 But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God in Gilgal.

22 And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry.

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**1 Samuel 15:21-23a The BIBLE**

Our Heavenly Father doesn't need our intervention to accomplish His work, especially if it means disobeying Him, ignoring Scripture, overthrowing government! Our Lord will bring about the changes needed in His Own, perfect time, especially if the people which are called by His Name shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek His face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will He hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land - II Chronicles 7:14.

9 And David said to Abishai, Destroy him not: for who can stretch forth his hand against the LORD's anointed, and be guiltless?

10 David said furthermore, As the LORD liveth, the LORD shall smite him; or his day shall come to die; or he shall descend into battle, and perish.

11 The LORD forbid that I should stretch forth mine hand against the LORD's anointed

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**1 Samuel 26:9-11a The BIBLE**

And God's use of the US in no way justifies the means by which the US was born! Man's use by God for His glory in no way suggests that we or our actions, past or present, were or are necessarily Godly (this author writes of this more in detail in another location<sup>2</sup>). In fact, our Heavenly Father even uses our very sin, if necessary, to do His righteous work:

19 Thine own wickedness shall correct thee, and thy backslidings shall reprove thee: know therefore and see that it is an evil thing and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God, and that My fear is not in thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.

**Jeremiah 2:19 The BIBLE**

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

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<sup>2</sup> IS GOD'S BLESSING VINDICATION – OR IS IT JUST LOVE? - <http://www.Micaiah.com/blessing.htm>

2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

**Romans 6:1-2 The BIBLE**

So NO violence, nor overthrow, nor rebellion against authority is legitimate nor justified, whether in 1776, in 1861, or the present, regardless of the cause, and regardless of the goal or end result! The Bible tells us this! GOD tells us this! But, tragically, only the Godly obey God.

As a result of this US institutionalized self-justification of violent overthrow of government, we now see in the US a left-wing approval of and attempt to justify and legitimize the riots, looting, destruction, and murder currently roiling that country! On September 4, 2020, WND News Services<sup>3</sup> published a list of 31 TIMES MEDIA JUSTIFIED RIOTING AND LOOTING<sup>4</sup>! And, in the spirit of 1776 and 1861, many liberals there are actually hoping for and planning another outright revolution!

But SCRIPTURE says:

20 For the wrath of man **WORKETH NOT** the righteousness of God.

**James 1:21 The BIBLE**

11 **An evil man seeketh only rebellion:** therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.

**Proverbs 17:11 The BIBLE**

2 **You shall not follow a crowd to do evil;** nor shall you testify in a dispute so as to turn aside after many to pervert justice.

**Exodus 23:2 The BIBLE**

28 Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.

**Proverbs 22:28 The BIBLE**

10 Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of His servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the Name of the LORD, and stay upon His God.

11 **Behold, all ye that kindle a fire,** that compass yourselves about with sparks: walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks that ye have kindled.

**This shall ye have of Mine hand:**

**ye shall lie down in sorrow.**

**Isaiah 50:10-11 The BIBLE**

21 **My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: and meddle not with them that are given to change:**

22 For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who knoweth the ruin of them both?

**Proverbs 24:21 The BIBLE**

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.wnd.com/author/wndnewsservices/>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.wnd.com/2020/09/exposed-31-times-media-justified-rioting-looting/>

Just as the violent and insurrectional history of the US is unGodly, so also the current rioting and lawlessness is unGodly, and by no means in the will of God! Our Heavenly Father sees any and all injustice, and WILL react accordingly! It is not up to US to take matters into our own hands, in manners contrary to the many Words of God! Our Heavenly Father SEES all injustice. Bring this before Him in prayer, and wait, and see the salvation of your God!

8 If you see the oppression of the poor, and the violent perversion of justice and righteousness in a province, do not marvel at the matter; for high official watches over high official, and higher officials are over them.

**Ecclesiastes 5:8 The BIBLE**

21 For the ways of man are before the eyes of the LORD, and He pondereth all his goings.

**Proverbs 5:21 The BIBLE**

13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in fornication and indecency, not in strife and envying.

**Romans 13:13 The BIBLE**

17 Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

**Hebrews 13:17 The BIBLE**

30 And the times of this ignorance God turned a blind eye to; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

**Acts 17:30 The BIBLE**

You who are rioting, revolting, or seeking insurrection and revolution, cease from trying to take things into your own hands! If our Heavenly Father and the Bible actually mean anything to you, read the following passage of Scripture, and follow what our Heavenly Father has said to us:

**1 Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.**

**2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.**

**3 Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.**

**4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.**

**5 Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.**

6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noon-day.

**7 Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for Him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.**

8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

9 For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.

10 For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider

his place, and it shall not be.

11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

**12 The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.**

**13 The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming.**

**14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as be of upright conversation.**

**15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.**

16 A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked.

17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous.

**Psalms 37:1-17 The BIBLE**

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**Proverbs 22:28 The BIBLE**