





My maternal English ancestors came to tidewater Virginia and North Carolina not long after the settlement of Jamestown in 1607, sailing to these shores to worship God freely, believing liberty to be a blessing from His Hand. They settled in an area profoundly affected in the mid-1700s by America's First Great Spiritual Awakening. Some crossed the icy Delaware with George Washington on Christmas Day in 1776; and others marched with General Robert E. Lee in the Army of Northern Virginia, eyewitnesses to the Third Great Spiritual Awakening spreading through the Confederate Camps.

My paternal Scotch-Irish forebears settled in Western Kentucky and witnessed America's Second Great Spiritual Awakening. Some later served as Baptist missionaries when Mississippi and Louisiana were considered dangerous frontier; and my great grandfather preached Christ in the trenches during the First World War. With the Psalmist, I can truly say: "The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage" (Psalm 16:6). All the more, Roosevelt's 1901 alarm strikes a personal chord, and like Jefferson of old: "Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that His justice cannot sleep forever."

In March of 2021, I prayerfully decided to go for a walk, from sea to shining sea, and to cry out to God for this land while sounding an alarm in the spirit of a watchman upon a wall:

**AMERICA HAS A SPIRITUAL PROBLEM, AND SPIRITUAL PROBLEMS CANNOT BE FIXED WITH POLITICS.**

Let's face it: Long have we Americans provoked Almighty God to anger with our sin, and our chief export to the nations nowadays is iniquity. We have kicked God and the Lord Jesus Christ out of everything. We have canceled the same Ten Commandments our Founding Fathers deemed essential to national security. We butcher our unborn children (60+ million since 1973). We teach our little boys to be little girls. We celebrate all forms of sexual perversion. Today, America is where the love of money is indeed the root of all evil, where men are cowards and the family is assailed, where dummies govern, and where the liberties that our fathers bled and died to secure are hastily cast aside in the name of "health & safety." We are indeed a nation rotten at heart, and no amount of glory or prosperity can save us. Moreover, God is just, and His justice cannot sleep forever. We desperately need spiritual awakening in our streets and revival in our local churches.

Our walking route was not limited to roads. You name it, we walked it or we ran into it. Along the way, we also ran into a lot of people—folks of many different ethnic, economic, political,



and religious flavors. I found myself repeating Roosevelt's 1901 warning, his exact words, countless times to countless individuals. I'll go ahead and warn you. What I am about to report from those interactions might throw your right/left political paradigm into a tailspin:

Our best and most fruitful leg of the journey turned out to be the 1,500 miles across Washington, Oregon, and California—the very liberal Pacific Northwest. The most dangerous place proved to be in a "MAGA" corner of Montana. Two of the friendliest of more than 3,600 encounters with strangers proved to be liberal Democrats sitting on their front porches, one near the starting line with a Biden sign in the front yard, and one near the finish line with a Harris sign in his front yard. Both offered us refreshment and listened with intent as we sounded Roosevelt's alarm, asking questions and gladly receiving a Gospel tract from our hand. The California liberal at the end even asked if we had ever been attacked along our journey for carrying that cross. When we informed him about Madison County, he profusely apologized "for what Montana did to you." Five times along the way, we were told: "You are not welcome here." Once it was a liberal hater. The other four times, it was those claiming to be Trump supporters. Sheer profundity!



You see, it's not as simple as right/left or red/blue. Take off your political glasses and stomp them in the ground. America's problems are spiritual, and spiritual problems can't be fixed with political solutions. In William McKinley's first inaugural address, more than four years before his assassination, he said something we all would do well to remember at the beginning of a second Trump Presidency:

"There is no safer reliance than upon the God of our fathers ... who will not forsake us as long as we obey His commandments and walk humbly in His footsteps."

Teddy Roosevelt's 1901 alarm was part of the same speech best remembered something else he said, a phrase often divorced from its original context: Because prosperity and glory cannot save a nation rotten at heart, the righteous must: "WALK SOFTLY AND CARRY A BIG STICK."

As a Bible-believing Christian and a law-abiding citizen who fears God and loves his country, I maintain without apology that America is spiritually rotten, from the White House to the Church House. We need to humble ourselves, repent, and return to the God of our Founding Fathers. It's either back to the Bible, what Andrew Jackson described as "the Rock upon which our Republic rests," or it's back to the jungle! We must look to Jesus for help, remembering as Patrick Henry once affirmed: "This great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

I'll keep walking softly in these times, but I will carry a big stick, not kool-aid for Donald Trump, the Republican Party, or political conservatism. That big stick is a resounding alarm:

**"No prosperity and no glory can save a nation that is rotten at heart."**

As for the Madison County hate crime, all involved must be held accountable to insure that such trampling of civil rights never happens again to anyone in Montana. Perhaps one of the best forms of that accountability involves bringing back a citizen grand jury. As our two-year battle unfolded, I was shocked to learn that my constitutional right to presentment of evidence before a grand jury was non-existent in Montana. In my home state of North Carolina, every single felony charge goes before a grand jury to determine whether or not there is enough evidence to prosecute. Back home, the charges against us would have been thrown out quickly, and we never would have been indicted.

In Montana, however, law enforcement officers or prosecutors can claim "probable cause" for any reason without any check-and-balance evaluation of their "evidence" short of a trial. Hence, the intimidation factor is strong, and more than 90% of criminal cases in Montana are settled through plea deals due to the cost of a trial. That not's justice, neither is it safe for a law-abiding citizenry in a nation rotten at heart.

I started my long walk near the beginning of the hopelessly corrupt Biden Administration. I sounded Teddy Roosevelt's alarm on the highways and byways throughout. Here at the beginning of a new Trump Administration, I'll keep sounding that alarm. America is in big trouble with God! We must humble ourselves and repent. None of that changed with a favorable election.

**The Lord may have indeed meted out great mercy by its outcome, but to whom much is given, much is required.**

More than a century ago, Roosevelt was right, and we would do well to remember it moving forward. No rebounding economy or second Trump Administration can save our nation. Spiritual problems necessitate Holy Ghost revival in our churches and spiritual awakening in our streets. Without these, 2024 election results ultimately won't matter.

Apart from Almighty God, humility before Him as a people, and national repentance, Americans vexed and angry over a blue tyranny might just be foolish enough to replace it with a red tyranny. And historically, those prove to be much worse and much more dangerous. Look no further than Nazi Germany.

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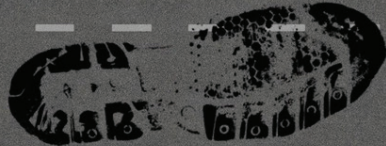
preacher from North Carolina: No red wave will have any lasting benefit as long as America continues to collectively stick its middle finger in the face of our Founding Fathers' God, daring Him to act! No glory or economic prosperity can save our nation. In fact, hypocritical Christless conservatism is just as dangerous to a free people as woke godless liberalism.

***And as the French statesman, Alexis de Tocqueville, long ago remarked: "America is great because America is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great." Let's not work to make America great again. Let's make her good and God-fearing again! Such is my understanding of true conservatism, genuine American patriotism.***

As for Madison County, stay tuned. I'll be back, walking softly and carrying a big stick. For more information on the Madison County Hate Crime, visit thelongwalkusa.com. 🇺🇸

You crossed paths with some Bible-believing Christians who love their country and started **WALKING ACROSS AMERICA** from the beach at Cape Hatteras, North Carolina on March 1, 2021. We aim to keep walking from sea to shining sea, until we put our feet in the waters of the Pacific.

## WHY?



**to sound an alarm**

**America is in BIG TROUBLE with God**

More than 100 years ago, and 4 days before the assassination of President William McKinley, Vice President Teddy Roosevelt forewarned: **"No prosperity and no glory can save a nation that is rotten at heart."** We should have listened. God save the USA!

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