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"... and all the nations that bear My name." Amos 9:12

Does your nation bear the name of the LORD? Does your current generation bear His name? How do you come to your conclusion? What is the evidence of your line of reasoning?

There are serious consequences involved here. Those nations who bear the LORD's name will be blessed – unusually so. And these nations that refuse His Kingdom's reign will suffer grave trial and trouble. (Matthew 25:31-46; Zechariah 14:17).

But is there really any other valid measure of a nation's spirituality apart from the spirituality of the individuals that make up that land? What of your spirituality? What of your family's spirituality? And what of your neighborhood or city's spirituality? It is one thing for a nation to have a designated national church – they may even demand or require by law that the people give and attend church – but does that make a people spiritual or for that matter, right with God?! Of course not! The true measure of spirituality is hidden within our hearts and it will manifest itself as we worship and love God by our lives and manner of living! "God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24.) "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." (James 1:27).

Do you bear the name of God? Is His name carried in your heart or is it only on outward display when it is convenient? Is your Christian faith working when no one else is around or only when others can see?

Do you bear the name of the Lord or are you embarrassed at the name of the Lord?

"For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." (Romans 1:16)

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