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Proverbs 14:34

"Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." (Proverbs 14:34).

Sin takes no effort – it is in your makeup, your genes, and your heritage. Righteousness on the other hand goes completely against the carnal nature of mankind. Therefore, righteousness must be constantly exercised and consciously chosen or the "old man" will reassert himself along with his sinful and godless ways.

Righteousness exalts for it is born of God and His is always in an exalted state. To walk and live in a righteous manner is to honour God. He in turn honours those who choose to live for Him and to be like Him.

Righteousness exalts a nation. Wherever righteousness is present and honoured, crime and evil doing diminish because the people's hearts are changed from the inside out! Neighborhoods and homes are safer and the people are happy and blessed. Righteousness exalts a nation because the people watch out for one another and serve one another freely. People in this atmosphere may be found naturally looking out for their neighbor's best interests. Righteousness exalts a nation because its workers labour hard and its businesses treat their employees and customers with dignity and respect – and the whole of the nation prospers! Righteousness exalts a nation causing the blessed to aid and defend the weak. Righteousness exalts a nation for the Lord God is honoured and the people are able to freely worship – and that is what they do, in their giving, in their loving, in their serving, in their working, in their helping.

"Happy is that people, whose God is the LORD." (Psalm 144:15).

Pray now for your country that it may honour God and your people live in righteousness and peace.

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