

## **BLESSED IS THE NATION WHOSE God is the LORD!**

### **Psalm 33:12**

Here are some things worth knowing about the roots of our nation.

#### **I. AMERICA WAS SETTLED BY PEOPLE LOOKING FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM**

- A. Those who sailed on the Mayflower in 1620 fled from tyranny & oppression.
- B. They signed the Mayflower Compact, proclaiming they had come to the new world for "the glory of God & the advancement of the Christian faith."
- C. In 1643 they joined together to form "The New England Confederation."

They wrote the first constitution written in the New World.

#### **II. OUR FOUNDERS HAD STRONGLY DESIRED TO PLEASE GOD.**

- A. Around 150 years passed by  
from the time of the earliest settlers to the beginning of our nation.
- B. As time passed, & the original settlers died off:
  - 1. The spiritual atmosphere deteriorated rapidly.
    - a. Churches were dying
    - b. By 1730, only about 10% of the people in the Colonies attended church.
  - 2. But then something amazing, happened beginning in 1734!  
"The Great Awakening."
  - 3. Openly devout Christians were no longer just 10% of the population.  
Now they made up 50% or more.
- C. The "Great Awakening" was a precursor to the American Revolution.  
The generation that experienced the "Great Awakening"  
became the leaders of the American Revolution!

#### **III. AMERICA WAS FOUNDED BY MEN & WOMEN WHO ACKNOWLEDGED GOD'S SUPREME RULE OVER MEN & NATIONS.**

***At the signing of the Declaration of Independence:***

Samuel Adams, often called the "Father of the Revolution, "declared:  
*"We have this day restored the Sovereign to Whom all men ought to be obedient.  
He reigns in Heaven, & from the rising to the setting of the sun, let His Kingdom come."*  
- Samuel Adams

What a wonderful day it would be if only

Our President - Our Congress - Our Supreme Court

Would just get down on their knees like our forefathers did and simply ask:

**"God, what do you want for this nation?"**

Lift up your eyes & praise God!

Praise Him for the greatness & the blessings of this country in which we live.

**LET US BEGIN A NEW GREAT AWAKENING!**

**2 Chronicles 7:14**