

Friday with Fred – June 23, 2017



### **The Anchor of Our Hope**

Today we are living in an age of metaphysical and moral horror. Our country is engulfed and encased by people who practice politics without principle and desire pleasure without concern for conscience. Over 50% desire wealth without work and our elites delight in mindful knowledge without demonstrating moral character. The causal connection between truth, and the consequence of what is ethical and legal has evaporated.

The New York Times essayist, David Brooks, opines with insight;

"We are all fragile when we don't know what our purpose is, when we haven't thrown ourselves with abandon into a social role, when we haven't committed ourselves to certain people, when we feel like a swimmer in an ocean with no edge. If you really want people to be tough, make them idealistic for some cause, make them tender for some other person, make them committed to some world view that puts today's temporary pain in the context of a larger hope."

Hope is a powerful word. The question is, where does your hope lie? The book of Hebrews (6:19) tells us that the anchor of our hope is Jesus who entered inside the veil as a forerunner for us, who provides not only eternal life in the world of the future but also hope for the times of today.

The Christian foundation of our country is crumbling. It has not been eviscerated but it is in the process of evaporating before our eyes. But we, like the Israelites of the Old Testament and the early church of the New Testament, are looking for a better country, a distant city and a culture that only God can create and Jesus can rule. That is our hope. That is our purpose for which we invest our lives today as we wait for tomorrow.

To say it in a more exacting way and in a more eloquent manner as only Jesus could express it to his disciples both then and now:

*"In the world you will have tribulation.  
Take courage, I have overcome the world."*

Serving Him with you  
Until He comes for us,  
Fred

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