

## **Declaration**

### **Part Two - The New Declaration of Independence**

**The new declaration of independence must be our freedom from political correctness.**

#### **1 Corinthians 9:22**

So I become all things to all people, that I may save some of them by whatever means are possible.

#### **Romans 14:16**

Do not let what you regard as good get a bad name.

### **Four Things the Declaration Promises**

#### **1. You will be hated.**

##### **John 15:18-19**

If the people of this world hate you, just remember that they hated me first. 19 If you belonged to the world, its people would love you. But you don't belong to the world. I have chosen you to leave the world behind, and this is why its people hate you.

#### **2. The gospel is a stumbling block.**

##### **1 Corinthians 1:23**

As for us, we proclaim the crucified Christ, a message that is offensive to the Jews and nonsense to the Gentiles...

#### **3. True Christianity is divisive.**

##### **Matthew 10:34-39**

Don't think I came to bring peace to the earth! I came to bring trouble, not peace. 35 I came to turn sons against their fathers, daughters against their mothers, and daughters-in-law against their mothers-in-law. 36 Your worst enemies will be in your own family. 37 If you love your father or mother or even your sons and daughters more than me, you are not fit to be my disciples. 38 And unless you are willing to take up your cross and follow me, you are not fit to be my disciples. 39 If you try to save your life, you will lose it. But if you give it up for me, you will surely find it.

#### **4. We cannot be man pleasers.**

##### **Galatians 1:10**

I am not trying to please people. I want to please God. Do you think I am trying to please people? If I were doing that, I would not be a servant of Christ.

#### **5. We are not contending with people, but with demons controlling people.**

**Ephesians 6:12**

For we are not fighting against human beings but against the wicked spiritual forces in the heavenly world, the rulers, authorities, and cosmic powers of this dark age.

**The new declaration of independence is really a declaration of dependence - on God!**

**Psalm 56:3-4**

When I am afraid, O LORD Almighty, I put my trust in you. 4 I trust in God and am not afraid; I praise him for what he has promised. What can a mere human being do to me?

We must subject ourselves to Biblical not political correctness.

**Three Ways to Declare Independence****1. Live with a Biblical worldview.****Colossians 2:8**

Don't let anyone capture you with empty philosophies and high-sounding nonsense that come from human thinking and from the spiritual powers of this world, rather than from Christ.

**2. Renew your mind daily.****Romans 12:2**

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

**3. Reject the wisdom of this world.****1 Corinthians 1:20**

So then, where does that leave the wise? or the scholars? or the skillful debaters of this world? God has shown that this world's wisdom is foolishness!