

# A DECLARATION OF DEPENDENCE

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"It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded, not by religionists but by Christians, not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ!" Patrick Henry

"Do not let anyone claim tribute of American patriotism if they even attempt to remove religion from politics."  
George Washington's Farewell Address To The Nation

"The 1st amendment has created a wall of separation between church and state, but that wall is a one directional wall, it keeps the government from running the church, but it makes sure that Christian principles will always stay in government." President Thomas Jefferson in an address to Danbury Baptists.

"We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Our constitution was made for a moral and religious people...it is wholly inadequate to the government of any other..." John Adams

## THE PATRIOTS

**A. They Made a \_\_\_\_\_.**

"Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death." Patrick Henry

**B. And They Paid a \_\_\_\_\_.**

- 7,200 Americans were killed in battle during the war.
- 8,200 were wounded.
- 10,000 died from disease and exposure (nearly 3,000 men died at Valley Forge alone).
- 6,500 died in prison after being captured.
- 1,400 soldiers were listed as missing.

**C. And They Reaped a \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A nation where every human being could be free.
- A nation where everyone would have a say about how they were governed.
- A nation whose territory doubled in size.

## THE CHRISTIANS

**A. Like the Patriots, We Also Made a \_\_\_\_\_**

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. Galatians 2:20

*Now fear the Lord and serve Him with all faithfulness. Throw away the gods your forefathers worshiped beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. But if serving the Lord seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.* Joshua 24:14-15

**B. Like The Patriots, You Must Also Pay a \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Then the people answered, "Far be it for us to forsake the Lord and serve other gods! We too will serve the Lord, because He is our God..."* Joshua 24:16-18

**C. Like the Patriots, our war is hard because others are \_\_\_\_\_ about the outcome of the war or they are \_\_\_\_\_.**

*...If anyone would come after Me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for Me will save it. What good is it for a man to gain the whole world and yet lose or forfeit his very self? If anyone is ashamed of Me and My words, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when He comes in His glory and in the glory of the Father and of the holy angels...* Luke 9:23-26

*If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters, yes even his own life—he cannot be My disciple. And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow Me cannot be My disciple...any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be My disciple.* Luke 14:26-27

See also Luke 7:21-23, Titus 1:16

**D. Reap a \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.* John 8:32

See also John 8:36, Romans 8:1, Romans 8:18

*...He has given us new birth into a living hope...and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you...* 1 Peter 1:3-4