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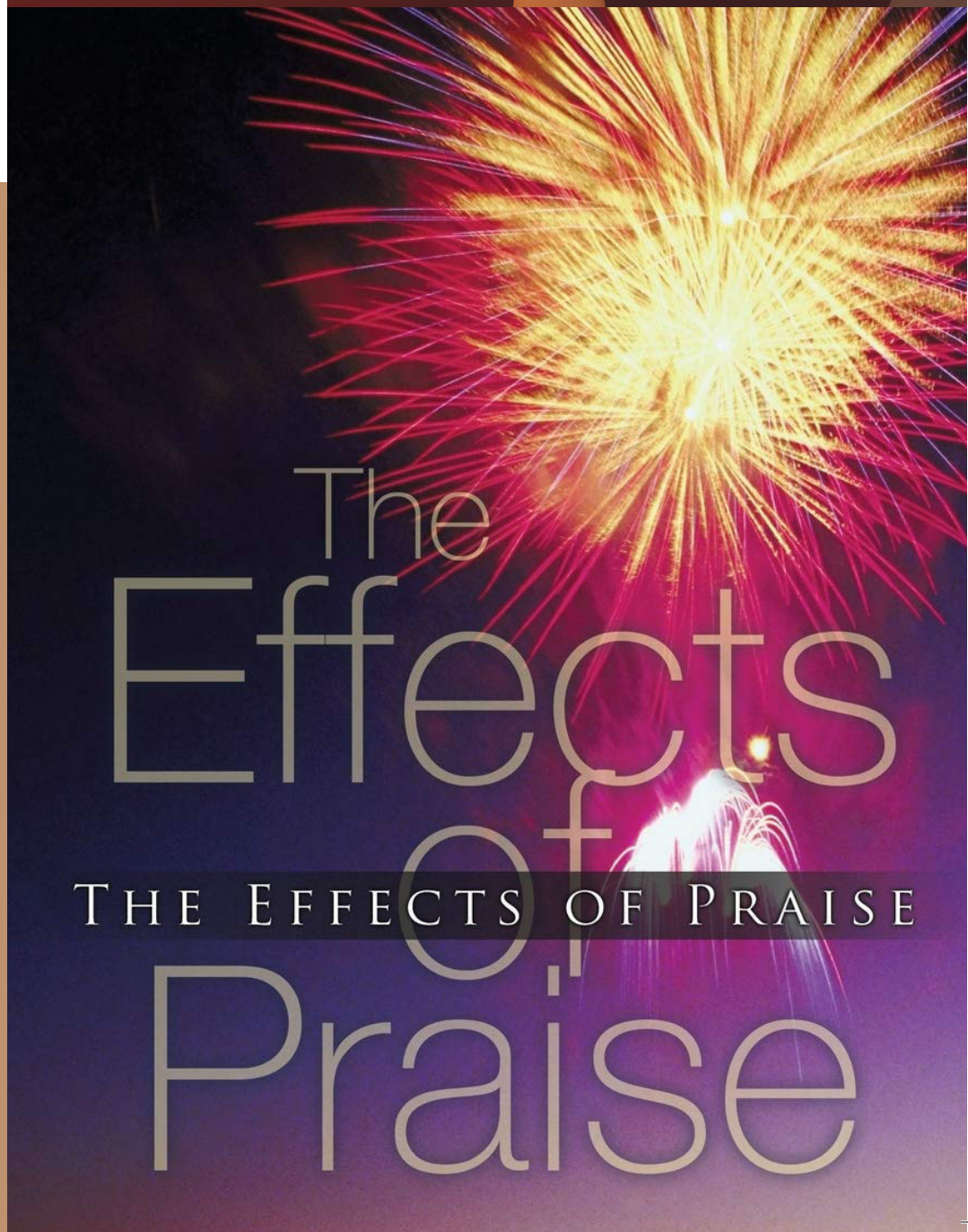


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Unapologetically Thankful

This Thanksgiving, I am proclaiming to the world that I am unapologetically thankful to God for this great nation of the United States of America.

In spite of the woke culture, cancel culture, and Critical Race Theory which are lying about America being "systemically racist," I say just the opposite.

America is systemically anti-racist.

Human nature is "systemically" racist, not only on the basis of ethnicity but on many levels. Jeremiah 17:9 says, *"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?"*

Racism is not American or even black on white. To quote my good friend E.W. Jackson, "It's not the skin, it's sin." Sin

knows no national boundaries, nor is it limited to any one ethnic group.

When the American colonies sought their independence from Great Britain, there was not a nation on the earth that did not practice slavery. The whole world had fallen so far from what God intended us to be that slavery was universal. In fact, the king of England was part owner of the Royal African Company, which trafficked slaves. George Washington and George Mason petitioned the king of England in the 1760's to end slavery but were denied.

When we declared independence, Thomas Jefferson's original draft of the Declaration of Independence stated slavery was one of the reasons for our rebellion:

"He (the king of England) has waged cruel war against human nature itself, violating its most sacred rights of life and liberty in the persons of a distant people who never offended him, captivating and carrying them into slavery in another hemisphere, or to incur miserable death in

their transportation thither... determined to keep open a market where MEN should be bought and sold... suppressing every legislative attempt to prohibit or to restrain this execrable commerce."

At that writing, the Revolutionary War had been underway for a year, and New York was under siege by the British. The very survival of the revolution and our fledgling nation was at stake. It had been agreed that any stand against Great Britain had to have 100% support by all the colonies for any hope of victory. Eleven of the thirteen colonies were supportive of abolishing slavery, but South Carolina and Georgia refused to sign the declaration if the statements on slavery were included. Therefore, this anti-slavery clause was removed.

We can easily criticise this 245 years later with the hindsight of knowing all the damage slavery caused in this nation, but it's hard to reject their reasoning at the time. The revolution and any chance for future freedom of slaves or anyone else in the colonies would have been extinguished before it had even gotten started if they could not come into agreement.



America is the only nation to be founded upon the proposition that "all men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights." This has never been carried out perfectly, because people aren't perfect. However, the seeds of anti-racism and freedom for all were sown through our founding fathers and began to grow.

Abolitionist movements were started as early as 1688 in Pennsylvania and had wide support. Christians were at the forefront of these abolitionist movements, and there are many heroic stories of slaves being freed and protected from the slave trade throughout our early history.

It is true that some Christians twisted scriptures to promote slavery, just as some Christians today are sucked into the "woke" movement and other anti-Bible beliefs. But they were always in the minority nationwide and out of sync with true biblical interpretation. On March 2, 1807, Thomas Jefferson signed legislation that made it illegal to import or export slaves in the U.S. This legislation went into effect January 1, 1808, at 12:01 a.m. Slavery was on its way out based on the principles of freedom put forth in our Declaration and Constitution, but human nature didn't submit easily.

The northern states were primarily industrial while the southern states were agricultural. With the invention of the cotton gin, cotton became king in the South and was dependent on slave labour to make that work. There was the Missouri Compromise and other attempts to balance the predominately free North with the slavery-dependent South.

The Democrats were the party protecting slavery. The Republican Party was formed in the 1850s to specifically abolish slavery and the polygamy practiced by the Mormons. Abraham Lincoln's speeches during the 1859 campaign left little doubt among southern Democrats that slavery was on its way out. This caused eleven southern states to secede when Lincoln was elected, and the American Civil War began.

America is the only nation to fight a civil war in an effort to end slavery, once again showing that it is systemically anti-racist. Over 650,000 American lives were lost, which is the highest number of American lives lost in any war in our history. Certainly, there were other issues besides slavery, but that was the catalyst that brought about the war.

During the decade of reconstruction after the Civil War, sixteen blacks served in the U.S. Congress and

600 more were elected to state legislatures. Congress passed the 13th, 14th, and 15th amendments to the U.S. Constitution, guaranteeing voting rights and other freedoms to blacks and all Americans. But in the 1870's, the KKK and a resurgence of Democrats elected to Congress stifled the freedoms those amendments brought. Jim Crow laws, passed by Democrats and opposed by most Republicans, were restrictive to blacks and persisted until the 1950s-60s Civil Rights movement.

Certainly, there is still racism today, just as surely as human nature is still the same. *No one is saying that sin expressed through racism doesn't exist, but the inequities are being magnified and exploited today to destabilise and overthrow this nation. **That is sin.** And the re-writing of American history which excludes the godly and only presents the evil is sin too.* This is a deliberate attack by the devil with willing participants to destroy all the good that God has done and wants to do in and through this nation.

In the body of Christ, *"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus"* (Gal. 3:28). This puts an end to ethnic prejudices, slavery, and gender discrimination for those who believe the truth of God's Word.

The body of Christ should reflect God's love for all, and so should this nation, which was dedicated to Christian principles. But we aren't going to get there by magnifying the differences and allowing Marxists and socialists to turn one group against another. For those who hate this nation, burn the flag, take a knee, or turn their backs at the playing of our national anthem, I challenge them to do that in one of the communist nations they love so much. They would suddenly and mysteriously disappear.

A boat may spring a leak, but that's not time to abandon ship. America is the best ship sailing the world's seas today, and we need to unite and fix the leaks from inside the ship. The destructive movements surging today are not making things better but worse.

I praise God for the brave men and women who pledged their lives, fortunes, and sacred honour to secure the liberties we have today. They laid the foundation for an anti-racist nation. I am thankful for the millions who have given their lives in sacrifice to preserve these rights, and I am hopeful that America's best days are still ahead.

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John Adams wrote on April 26, 1777:

"Posterity! You will never know how much it cost the present generation to preserve your freedom! I hope you will make a good use of it. If you do not, I shall repent in Heaven that I ever took half the pains to preserve it."

Let's not be the cause of making John Adams repent in heaven, and even more importantly, let's not squander the "once in the history of the world opportunity" to let freedom reign for all men and women.

This Thanksgiving, think of all the good the Lord has done in and through this nation, and pray that this generation will take our place in this cultural war which is raging, just as surely as our forefathers stood fast against the aggression of their day.

Together, we are going to win this fight. **GT**

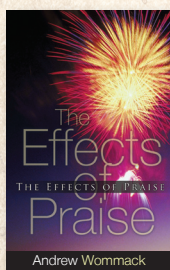
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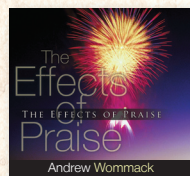
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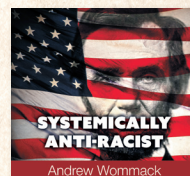
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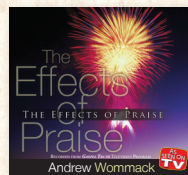
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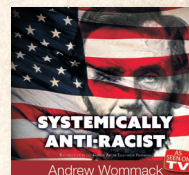
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An American Story by Bishop E.W. Jackson



My history is part of the American story. I am an American descended from slaves, and I have a deep love and respect for my country. One of the harshest criticisms levied against the U.S. is its history of slavery. For those on the Left, it is conclusive proof that America is a fundamentally unjust country, a racist nation. They refer to slavery as America's "original sin," a very misguided and inaccurate analogy.

America was not born in a perfect environment, but in the context of a sinful world. Neither Europeans nor Americans invented slavery. Slavery has been practiced by every people on every continent, and it is still practiced today in many countries, particularly Muslim nations. The American experience must be seen in light of this reality. On this continent, a miracle occurred on July 4, 1776. The Declaration of Independence would bequeath that miracle to me. I was predestined by God to be an American, and I will be forever grateful.

My great grandfather, Gabriel Jackson, and my great grandmother, Eliza, were slaves in Orange County, Virginia. When the Civil War ended, they were set free and became sharecroppers. They are listed in the 1880 census - Gabriel as a laborer and Eliza as a housewife. My great grandfather was born in 1798, the year before George Washington died. I am possessed of African roots, but my heritage is American. We must end the hyphenation of our identities. I am not an African American. I am an American.

It is time to recognise that, although our ancestors may have come on

different ships, we are all in the same boat now. We are two and a half centuries into the journey. Some of us want to repair and strengthen the boat; others want to sink it. I am convinced that Christians are God's stewards of this providential gift we call America. It is up to believers to move our country toward a more perfect union.

My grandfather migrated from Virginia to Pennsylvania. My father and mother met in Chester, and that is where I was born. Their marriage was over by the time my umbilical cord was cut. At the age of fourteen months, I was placed in permanent foster care with Rebecca and Willie Molet at 226 Pennell Street in Chester, near Philadelphia. Rebecca became my "mom" and Willie, my foster father.

Willie and Rebecca were Christian people who took me to church every Sunday and often during the week as well, but it didn't take. I felt abandoned and unwanted by my parents and came to resent my foster parents' authority. By the age of nine, I was in absolute rebellion and impossible to control.

With a group of my friends, we formed the Pennell Street gang. We were committing petty crimes and having violent clashes with the Lamokin Street gang, whose members lived on the next street over. We were on the path to becoming public enemies.

That was my life when one of its most dramatic turning points happened. I was standing on the corner of Third and Pennell Streets in August of 1962, hanging out with my gang. My father drove up and called me over to his car.

As I reached the passenger window, I greeted him, "Hi Dad." Getting right to the point, he said, "Son, you still wanna come live with me?" And I said, without hesitation, "Yes!" Then he said, "Well, get in." My life was forever changed. On that very day, I went to live with my father. His home was my home until I joined the Marine Corp in 1970.

I left fifth grade as a street kid, juvenile delinquent, and academic failure. I entered sixth grade to become an academic achiever, no longer in a gang, and no longer on the streets. After I was grown, my father explained to me that he came to a decision that if he did not take custody immediately, he would lose me to the streets and worse.

God would later use my father to help me come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. That is another story, but it all underscores the importance of fathers in the lives of their children. We are facing an epidemic of absentee fathers. While the problem is affecting the entire society, it is particularly acute in the black community, with 75 percent of children born out of wedlock and two-thirds of black children raised in single-parent, female-headed households.

Coming from my background - gang member, juvenile delinquent, raised in foster care and later by a single father - my life is a miracle. I've served my country in the military, graduated from Harvard Law School, practiced law, written three books, have a beautiful wife, a happy marriage, three successful children, and I am a minister of the Gospel.

Things could have turned out very differently, but there are millions of miracles like mine in this great country of ours. I entered the world with many disadvantages, but I had one gigantic advantage over 95 percent of the people on earth. I was born a citizen of the United States of America - the land of freedom, opportunity, and hope. That is why I love my country.

We must reject the fatalism and divisiveness of critical race theory and Black Lives Matter, which try to convince us that America is irredeemably and systemically racist. We must reject the Left's obsession with the past and focus on building the future.

I acknowledge the Civil Rights Movement for opening doors and hearts. However, what remains of that laudable movement is a Marxist counterfeit. Freedom opens doors. Marxism closes them. Collectivism incites tribalism, riots, and violence, but individualism inspires achievement and progress.

What made the difference for me personally was a loving father who gave me direction and discipline. My dad worked for thirty-three years at Sun Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company in Chester. He was a proud, hardworking American who left school before finishing the sixth grade. Yet he raised a son who would earn a Harvard Law degree. He knew that in our country, my life could be better than his had been. That is my American story and the American dream. It is the gift of God, and it is worth defending and preserving.

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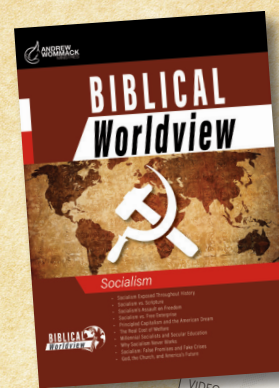
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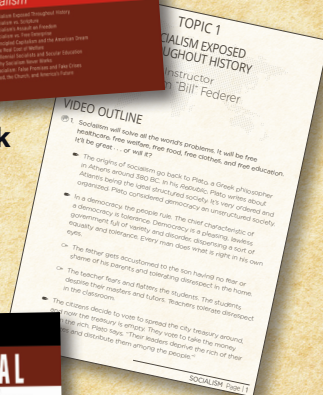
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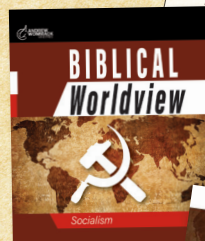
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Preview of *The Heart of Christmas*

Woodland Park's captivating musical presentation, *The Heart of Christmas*, is back in 2021! This vibrant and touching tale follows one family's journey through time as they discover how a single gift can change a life forever.

We recently sat down with cast member Melissa Vasquez to discuss her start in musical theatre and how Charis has impacted her life. Though singing from the time she was little, Melissa's passion for performing arts bloomed when her characteristic strong vocals stunned her listeners during a grade school play audition.

Despite subsequent professional success at Disney's Epcot Center, Melissa struggled with insecurities about her career choice. So, when an opportunity arose in 2005 to audition for a coveted role at Disney Hong Kong, she made a deal with God: if she won the part, she promised to serve Him when she returned home. "Needless to say, I got the gig!" she said.

Upon returning home, work was scarce. Around this time, her parents were saved, and they invited her to their new church. Being raised Catholic, she went reluctantly. But she soon discovered a personal God who not only heard her heart, but also loved her unconditionally. Remembering her promise to God, she readily surrendered her life to Him.

Within two weeks, she began what would become a fourteen-year run performing at The Holy Land Experience in Orlando, Florida. It was there in 2017 where she met and began working with Elizabeth Muren, the producer of *The Heart of Christmas*. "She gave me the opportunity to not only perform in her life-changing shows at The Holy Land, but also here at Charis," she shared.

Following the closure of The Holy Land Experience in 2020, Melissa took a leap of faith and moved to Colorado to join the creative team at Charis. "It brings me so much joy to tell the story of love that God has placed before us to anyone that will listen," she said. "Most people expect to see a typical Christmas show with all the glitzy trimmings, but this show is packed full of meaning and vulnerability from the characters."

Audiences who love to have fun and celebrate Jesus will appreciate Melissa's character, Hattie, in *The Heart of Christmas*. "We all have that one person in our lives who is a guide to us, and Hattie represents that person. She is the voice of faith that knows how to help others find joy!"

Filled with soaring melodies, witty humour, and compelling storylines, it's no wonder that this extraordinary musical has become an annual holiday tradition for so many. The neighbouring **Christmas Market**, filled with handcrafted gifts and specialties from local vendors, completes the festive atmosphere. *The Heart of Christmas* musical will have three showings December 10-12. Go to **HeartOfChristmas.org** to learn more and to purchase tickets.

Also happening at Charis December 16-19 is the dazzling drive-through **LIVE Nativity**. Visitors can witness the wonder of the first Christmas amidst brilliant campus lights - all from the convenience and warmth of their vehicle. This **free** event is a must-see holiday highlight you won't want to miss. Come and see what everyone's talking about! **GT**



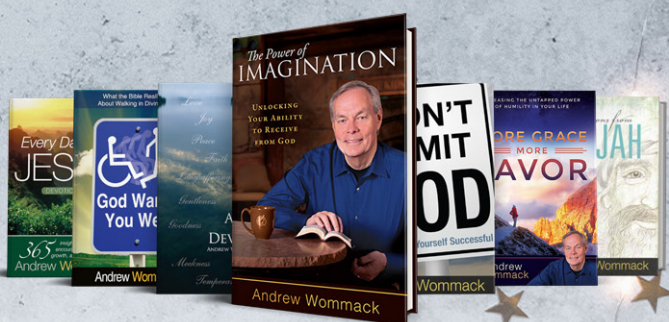
Featured Testimony

"I am the LORD that healeth thee"

For 3 months Sulakshna experienced bone growth on her the top of foot. She could no longer wear shoes without pain. She also experienced inflammation. The prayer minister prayed with her the day before she had a scheduled x-ray. The prayer was for inflammation and the pain to go and that the doctor's report would be good. When she had the X-ray the next day the doctor's report was good. Within 2 days the pain and inflammation had completely gone, and the bone was decreasing in size. She can now wear shoes painlessly.



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