

"From the cowardice that shrinks from new truth, from the laziness that is content with half-truths, from the arrogance that thinks it knows all truth, O, God of Truth, deliver us."



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Illegal Aliens and the Mixed Multitude

Today we have an estimated 20 million illegal aliens in our country. Yes, they are aliens and they are illegal. That is, they are not citizens and they are law breakers. Using semantics will not change what they really are.

In a similar way, we have millions of unconverted people in our churches. Like the illegal aliens, they have no interest in the origins, principles, history, or the laws of the land to which they have fled. In fact they seek to change the new land to be like the country of Egypt from which they fled earlier.

All that is important to them is what they want to do. They think that by their will they can make the Church a democracy by the voting of the legitimate citizens and themselves rather than a theocracy where God rules. But where God speaks, none of us have a vote.

The audacity of non-citizens to demand rights simply amazes me. They often undermine those in authority and burn our flag, the very emblem of our country. They are attempting to change us to their liking. Divine ordinances or founding principles mean nothing at all to the unconverted tag-alongs. They are like the mixed-multitudes that came out of Egypt and set Israel to murmuring over and over in the wilderness. They are complainers, instigators of rebellion and grumblers against the things God has commanded.

Note these Scriptures:

Exodus 12:38, "And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, *even* very much cattle."

Numbers 11:4, "And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting; and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?"

This mixed multitude, or aliens, wanted to escape their own taskmasters and followed God's people.

Illegal Aliens:

- * Split loyalties.

- * Refuse to enter the desired country in the legitimate and legal way.
- * Refuse to recognize the established authority.
- * Want the privileges of being a citizen without respecting the obligations of citizenship.
- * Claim the same rights of citizenship without the duties of citizenship.
- * Hinder the welfare of the citizens and use up the resources of the country for their own use.
- * Refuse to learn to speak the language of the legitimate citizens and speak their own language but expect citizens to learn to communicate with them rather than them learning to speak the language of the citizens.
- * Increase the sin and confusion of their new adoptive country and try to bend the laws of the land to serve to their advantage.
- * Expect to collect what they have not contributed towards, as if they were citizens.
- * Raise the cost of doing normal business of meeting the needs of caring for the real citizens of the country.
- * Support their own people rather than contributing to those who are paying for food, clothing, and caring for their needs.
- * Work the "uninformed citizens" into riots, terrorism, and demonstrations against the law.
- * Expect to vote, change laws and choose officers in order to make their wishes the law of the land.

It will not work for a nation, it will not work for the Lord's Church. Those who are pretenders and not true citizens seek to force upon the citizens their own desires. Personal greed is the pole star, or their ambition.

The mixed-multitude brought the destruction of those in the wilderness. They set Israel to murmuring and destroyed a whole generation of Israelites.

The only answer to this problem is for the young citizens to learn and to outlive the foolishness of this present generation and not listen to those "tag-alongs" who did not escape the profane thinking of Egypt.

What are we to do?

Nehemiah 9:1-3, "1 Now in the twenty and fourth day of this month the children of Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackclothes, and earth upon them. 2 **And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all strangers, and stood and confessed their sins**, and the iniquities of their fathers. 3 And they stood up in their place, and read in the book of the law of the LORD their God *one* fourth part of the day; and *another* fourth part they confessed, and worshipped the LORD their God.

Nehemiah 13:3, "Now it came to pass, when they had heard the law, **that they separated from Israel all the mixed multitude.**"

The mixed-multitude had wanted to leave bondage, the hard taskmasters in Egypt, the hard work, and the whips. They desired to help spoil the Egyptians and tagged along with God's people. They were prepared to join a great Exodus. There are always believers, unbelievers, and make-believers. The latter are great enemies of the Church or a nation.

Who does not want to appear to be a part of a people who desire to be going into a land flowing with milk and honey? These are the insurrectionists, the grumblers, complainers, demanders of alleged rights, impatient, murmurers. Living on riotous outbursts they are stumblingblocks to God's people. Remember, God removed the rebels and they didn't enter the Promised Land.

Ezekiel 20:36-38, "36 Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD. 37 And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant: 38 **And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.**"

Numbers 14:22-24, "22 Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice; 23 Surely they shall not see the land which I swore unto their fathers, **neither shall any of them that provoked me see it**: 24 But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it."

Numbers 32:11-15, "11 **Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I swore unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they**

have not wholly followed me: 12 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, and Joshua the son of Nun: for they have wholly followed the LORD. 13 And the LORD'S anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation, that had **done evil in the sight of the LORD, was consumed**. 14 And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, an increase of sinful men, to augment yet the fierce anger of the LORD toward Israel. 15 For if ye turn away from after him, he will yet again leave them in the wilderness; and ye shall destroy all this people." See also **Chapters 25 and 26 of Numbers** and see the end of the "tag-alongs".

Joshua and Caleb and some Priests of Levi, did not die and yet all the adult Jews and mixed-multitudes died in the wilderness. The obedient entered rest in the Promised Land, which represents Heaven. Beware of the mixed-multitude who set Israel to murmuring.

1 Corinthians 10:5-12, "**5 But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. 6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. 7 Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. 8 Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. 9 Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. 10 Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer. 11 Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. 12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.**"

Hebrews 3:16-19 – 4:2, "**16 For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses. 17 But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness? 18 And to whom swore he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? 19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief. 1 Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left *us* of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. 2 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it*.**"

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Are you an unbeliever, a make-believer, or a real believer? The difference is Heaven!

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