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The Lord wants you to live in His liberty and freedom.

Jer. 2:11-13 “Has a nation ever changed its gods? (Yet they are not gods at all.) But My people have exchanged their glorious God for worthless idols. Be appalled at this, you heavens, and shudder with great horror,” declares the LORD. “My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken Me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.” (NIV)

In this most tragic statement, the LORD calls out through the prophet Jeremiah to the people of Israel. Even though this was written to them, it is apropos for us as well--not only nationally, but individually. You see, for many years the people of Israel looked to the LORD for their strength and hope. God blessed them in so many ways. He had promised them the land that they were living in and all the blessings of it as well, if they would serve Him alone as God. Unfortunately, they got their eyes off of Him and onto worldly things and gods that were not gods at all. These idols were worshipped even though they were made by the hands of people. How could a nation go from worshipping the one and only true God to worshipping idols made by men? The answer is that their priorities had changed. What once meant everything to them had become just a form of religion. Is that possible for us? Take a look around you and you will see many churches who are not even meeting anymore. They have forsaken the assembling themselves together. It will not be long until many churches will be shutting down because they cannot make ends meet. They are digging cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water. We must build our lives on the only perfect cornerstone--Jesus Christ. If anything is built on something else, it will crumble and fall. America was founded on the scriptures and the belief in salvation through Jesus Christ alone. But now, you can't pray in our public schools in the name of Jesus because you might offend someone. The Ten Commandments may not be posted in a public building because that might also offend someone. How is this possible? Because other things have replaced the LORD. These worthless 'gods' are not gods at all. We must re-center our focus on the Only One Who really matters. He is Christ the LORD.

Dear LORD, call this nation to repentance. Help us to follow You and You alone. You are the way, the truth and the life. We choose You LORD. In Jesus Name, Amen