Pastor George ministered this past Sunday, "Israel - You are Not Alone."

There are some who say, "Just stick to what you are supposed to do. Be the sweet little church, preach the Gospel, don't say anything that might be controversial and keep your sheep ignorant and uninformed." We must wake up to a what it means to, "preach the Gospel."

There is much at stake in this upcoming election. The moral foundation of our country is under attack. The envelope of sin is being pushed beyond its limits.

Many misunderstood the "Separation of Church and State."

This is a legal principle in the United States. It is related to, but not found within the First Amendment of The Constitution. The First Amendment reads: **"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof...**"

Jefferson wrote, "Believing with you that religion is a matter which lies solely between man and his God, that he owes account to none other for his faith or his worship... that their legislature should make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof ...thus building a wall of separation between Church and State."

That separation was not designed to prevent ministers from speaking out about national issues that relate to Biblical mandates.

It was to be a one-way wall that prevented government from infringing on our free exercise of religion.

Twenty four of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence held Bible School or Seminary degrees. Almost half were trained for the ministry.

They were influential in establishing America's constitutional form of government.

Early in 1776, Pastor Peter Muhlenberg's sermon scripture was Ecclesiastes 3:8. "There is a time for war and a time for peace." After his sermon, he took off his black robe to reveal his Colonel's Continental Army uniform. Three hundred men followed this "Black Robe, Preacher-Patriot" to fight for our independence.

Reverend Charles Finley declared this during the Second Great Awakening. "Brethren, our preaching will bear its legitimate fruits. If immorality prevails in the land, the fault is ours to a great degree."

- "If there is a decay of conscience, the pulpit is responsible for it.
- If the public press lacks moral discrimination, the pulpit is responsible for it.
- If the church is degenerate and worldly, the pulpit is responsible for it.
- If the world loses its interest in religion, the pulpit is responsible for it.
- If Satan rules in our halls of legislation, the pulpit is responsible for it.
- If our politics becomes so corrupt that the very foundations of our government are ready to fall away, the pulpit is responsible for it."

"Let us not ignore this fact, my dear brethren."

"But let us lay it to heart, and be thoroughly awake to our responsibility in respect to the morals of this nation."

Should ministers mix politics and religion?

Politics and the Bible are already mixed here at EMIC

- Abortion
- Same-Sex Marriage
- Religious Liberty
- Judges and the Supreme Court Sex Education in Public Schools.

- Woke Education in Public Schools
- The Boarder Crisis
- The United States Stand for Israel

We are currently on Day 14 of our 21-Day Daniel Fast. We are holding these issues before the Lord:

- 1. An Awakening to God in the Body of Christ.
- 2. An Awakening to God in Israel.
- 3. An Awakening to God in America and the Nations.
- 4. The 2024 Elections.
- 5. Breakthroughs for KCM, EMIC, KCBC and the Victory Channel.
- 6. Personal Breakthroughs (Answers, Direction and Clarity).
- 7. Prepare for "All that is Coming."

What exactly does Israel have to do with the 2024 elections?

The current administration is pushing for a two-state solution. A report from last Friday stated:

"Israel will not be pressured into accepting a Palestinian state," Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on Friday. That followed a Washington Post report that Israel's main ally — the United States was moving ahead with plans to establish a Palestinian state. Israel categorically rejects international dictates regarding a permanent settlement with the Palestinians," said Netanyahu, in a statement following a call with President Joe Biden."

"The Washington Post reported on Thursday that the United States was already working with some Arab countries on a post war plan for the region. That plan would include a firm timeline for the establishment of a Palestinian state. The two-state solution would create a state for the Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza.

The term, "Occupied West Bank" is an incorrect, ungodly, media driven description of the actual Biblical names of Judea and Samaria.

Let's get Biblical.

God made an everlasting covenant with Abraham regarding the land of Israel.

Genesis 15:18 (NLT)

So the LORD made a covenant with Abram that day and said, **"I have given this land to your descendants**, all the way from the border of Egypt to the great Euphrates River."

Genesis 17:7-8 (NLT)

I will confirm my covenant with you and your descendants after you, from generation to generation. This is the everlasting covenant: I will always be your God and the God of your descendants after you. And I will give the entire land of Canaan, where you now live as a foreigner, to you AND your descendants. IT WILL BE THEIR POSSESSION FOREVER, AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD.

Psalm 105:7-11 (NKJV)

He is the LORD our God; His judgments are in all the earth.

He remembers His covenant forever, The word which He commanded, for a thousand generations, The covenant which He made with Abraham, And His oath to Isaac, And confirmed it to Jacob for a statute, To Israel as an everlasting covenant Saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan As the allotment of your inheritance."

What happens when you fight against God's everlasting covenant? Simple. You lose.

Genesis 12:3 (NIV)

I will bless those who bless you, and **whoever curses you I will curse**; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.

Zechariah 2:8 (AMPC)

For thus said the Lord of hosts, after [His] glory had sent me [His messenger] to the nations who plundered you—for he who touches you touches the apple or pupil of His eye.

Exodus 23:22 (NIV)

If you listen carefully to what he says and do all that I say, I will be an enemy to your enemies and will oppose those who oppose you.

(CEV) I will be a fierce enemy of your enemies.

In 2005, the United States pressured Israel to give the Gaza Strip to the Palestinians. It was another "land-for-peace" deal that challenged God's Covenant. On August 17, the Prime Minister authorized the mandatory evacuation of Israeli residents from the Gaza Strip. They were forced to leave their homes by soldiers. At the very same time, Americans were also forced to leave their homes by soldiers because of Hurricane Katrina. Nine thousand Israeli residents were evicted by their government. One million Americans were evicted by the hurricane. A coincidence? No. The United States poked its finger in God's eye.

Don't mess with God's Everlasting Land Covenant.

Pastor George shared that he refuses to vote for anyone who supports the two-state solution in Israel — especially while there are still hostages there. That is what the Bible calls, "gross darkness."

Pastor George shared he will not help to inflict a curse on our nation because of the way we treat Israel.

As a Pastor, he is responsible for educating this congregation in our Biblical rights, privileges, responsibilities, and authority [and is doing an amazing, anointed job!] This includes educating EMIC in the political realm.

Why? Because the political realm directly touches every aspect of our lives.