

George Floyd, the protests and the Riots

I believe as a minister of the Gospel and a leader in the body of Christ, I must weigh in on the issues that affect our society to bring in godly and biblical insight that could be missing. Furthermore, the Constitution of the United States allows me to speak freely on any issue. In other words, I cannot be silenced unless I choose to be. Christians must be the leading voice on every single social issue. What they have to say is more important and crucial than any other person or leader.

George Floyd's death was tragic and unacceptable, and I believe that justice will be done. No, not through the streets, but by the rule of law. We are not a society of mob justice. The people involved in this death should be held accountable. I do not know anyone who would disagree that the approach was wrong and inhumane. I condemn the way these officers handled this situation and my prayers and thoughts go out to the family and friends of George Floyd.

On the other side, George Floyd is not the only one who has died in this way. I'm not condoning this, but I'm just putting this into the right perspective. This is not an isolated case. There are plenty of these cases out there, but they are all not dealt with this way. What makes this unique? I believe one of the reasons is because he was a black man.

I believe deaths like these also happen when it is a white officer dealing with a black or another white individual, but also, they happen when it is a black officer dealing with a black man or a black officer dealing with a white individual. Although they are not televised, but they do happen.

Another thing that must be said is, as much as I disagree and condemn the way the life of George Floyd was taken, the media has treated this man as the godliest man, if not as a martyr. The media has hidden the details and truths about George Floyd living a lifestyle of a criminal, and sooner or later, he was going to get killed due to his ungodly way of life. Again, I'm not diminishing the life of this man.

Law enforcement/Police officers

I can't think of any profession which does not have any rotten apples. This is true for every profession because every profession has human beings. Where you have human beings, be assured of a mess, but the existence of a mess does not remove all the other benefits we have from that profession. Proverbs 14:4 says, "Where no oxen are, the crib is clean: but much increase is by the strength of the ox."

I do not subscribe to the notion that all police officers are bad the same way I do not believe that all doctors are bad. I'm not going to be forced to accept that I should hate and despise the law enforcement that we have because they erred greatly.

I grew up in a country where the police is 100 times worse than the police here in the United States. I'm not knocking my country of birth, but what I'm saying is just the reality. Without the police, you will have the greatest levels of crime, ungodliness, and violence. If we were to suspend the police from patrolling the highways, for instance, people will be driving 120 miles an hour and dying in the thousands. People would be dying left and right. We need law enforcement to restore order to any society.

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Here is a thought: If you hate law enforcement so much, why do we call 911 for their help? How do you call on someone you think hates you and is not for you to come to your rescue?

I thank and salute the work done by law enforcement and I refuse to accept that all of them are evil and ungodly. For us to come against all policemen for what a small percentage have done is wrong. If we are to be fair, we need to come against all professions.

Constitution

The First Amendment of the United States Constitution says, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."

Peaceful protesting is constitutional, but unpeaceful protesting is not. The protests we have witnessed started peaceful, but within a short time frame, they turned into rioting, chaos, and hate filled. Many protests start with good intentions, but they can quickly turn into carnage, looting, violence, and many ungodly people take advantage of the situations.

One false premise many people have is they think their constitutional rights are to be exercised at the expense and violation of mine or someone else's. Something is wrong with this picture. Your constitutional rights ought to be exercised, but not to stop mine. You have a constitutional right to protest, but I have one that allows for the protection of my life and property. It is like saying that because you have a basic need for food, you must steal mine, or because you need a wife, you should take mine. Simply put, your rights ought not to violate my rights.

Riots are evil. They do exactly what Satan came to do—steal, kill, and destroy (John 10:10 " The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.")

I have also noticed that those who are looting and destroying these properties of other people are mostly those who have nothing. They have never built a business or else they would know how much it costs to have a business. These folks are poor folks with a poverty mindset. Poor people build nothing, but they destroy. I have seen this firsthand. I have seen charity organizations build water wells (boreholes), but within a short period, they were broken and destroyed. Many rich folks would not be out there burning down other people's business. They know what it takes to build one and would not take part in such.

Leadership—Leaders over cities and states

One appalling fact that I heard during this time is that authorities in many of these cities refused to deal with the rioting and unpeaceful protests. Basically, they asked law enforcement to stand down. It is a scary time when the rioters, thugs, and protesters runoff law enforcement. I believe all the damage that was done was because the leaders, mayors, and governors of many of these cities and states refused to take action to extinguish these unpeaceful protests and riots but ran. This encouraged the thugs to continue with their ungodliness. Leaders lead.

The common denominator in most, if not all, of the cities that have been burned down and destroyed by the rioters and the looters is that they are run and governed by the democrats and liberals. My point is this is a leadership issue. The leaders of these cities allowed the cities to be looted and plundered. They are responsible for this mess and destruction. If they were a coach for a football team, they would be fired.

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For this kind of evil and ungodliness to be dealt with, we need the top-chain leaders to enforce the law. We need the rule of law restored to bring back sanity in any society. This underscores the need to elect godly leaders in offices and positions of authority. Proverbs 29:2 says, "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn."

Thanksgiving

The things we see on television can be very discouraging. The news is seldom positive. Negativity, corruption, violence, and sex sells in this fallen world. The news could easily cause you to see one side of the coin and become discouraged, fearful, and unthankful. We can focus on all the negatives such as cities and businesses that have been plundered by the thieves and rioters and miss that thousands of other cities have not been destroyed. Yes, what is happening is evil and I condemn it wholeheartedly, but in perspective, praise God that things are not that bad. There are still good things we can be thankful for in this moment. All these people do not represent the way the whole country feels or thinks.

Forsaking the law leads to praising the wicked

Proverbs 28:4 " They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them."

Many people, especially the leftwing media, have been praising the actions of the rioters and so forth. There is nothing godly about what the rioters have been doing. I tell you, this is horrific,

that anyone would praise the destruction and plunder that is happening. We have a system of justice, (not perfect, but the best in the world) that has to be adhered to for justice to occur. We should not be using threats and violence to manipulate and influence the law to work in our favor.

We need to speak up against these evils. Robbing businesses, torching cars on fire, breaking windows of buildings, and attacking police stations is all ungodly. This is pure evil, and for a believer to condone that, it shows they have no fear of the Lord.

The real problem

I read a tweet by Tiger Woods, and although I agreed with most of what he said, I believe he got it wrong in one major area.

"My heart goes out to George Floyd, his loved ones and all of us who are hurting right now," Woods wrote in the Monday night tweet. "I have always had the utmost respect for our law enforcement. They train so diligently to understand how, when and where to use force. This shocking tragedy clearly crossed that line. I remember the [1992] LA riots and learned that education is the best path forward," Woods wrote. "We can make our points without burning the very neighborhoods that we live in. I hope that through constructive, honest conversations we can build a safer, unified society."

"I remember the [1992] LA riots and learned that education is the best path forward," he said, but this is not so. Education is one of the ways forward, but it is not the *best* way forward. A change of heart is the best way forward. This happens when one gets born again (John 3:3) through faith in Jesus and they receive a new heart. People who are educated are still sinners and have a heart sickness condition that needs to be dealt with. Education can't do it. They need a transplant. The stony, hard heart needs to be taken out, and they are given a brand-new heart.

Ezekiel 36:26-27 "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them."

All lives matter

Why is it controversial to say all lives matter? Is that not true? Of course, it is.

Injustice has been done towards some lives more than other lives. For instance, over 6 million Jews that were killed in the holocaust. I would agree that if the Jews said "Jews lives matter" I would understand, but not only do Jews lives matter. Yes, some black folks have been mistreated due to the ignorance and hatred of some people, but this is also true for other lives, too, although you could argue not at the same magnitude. My heart goes out to all who have been mistreated due to the color of their skin—black or white.

Who did God give the right to decide which lives matter and which lives do not? Definitely, not the government. No one. It is ungodly to think and proclaim that only certain lives matter because of their skin color or the injustice they have faced. This is not biblical, and I refuse to subscribe to it. All lives matter—elderly lives, those on life support, those with mental challenges, and physically disabled. When Jesus came to die for the sins of the world, He did not die for just a few lives. He did not die just for the Jews, which many think or thought mattered the most. He died for the whole world (John 3:16; 1 John 2:2). If only a few lives mattered, Jesus would have demonstrated that and His Word would have taught that, but that is not the case. Jesus associated with what people considered the unwelcome and outcasts, why? Because to Him, all lives matter.

All lives are precious in His sight. This includes the unborn. Babies in the womb matter. They are a life and they matter to God. We can't just be killing the babies through abortion and infanticide because doing so not only violates the Word of God but says that their lives do not matter.

Who has the right to proclaim which lives matter? Only God has that right. He is the Creator of all people and He clarifies that all lives matter, not just black lives, blue lives, white lives, or yellow lives. To God, all lives matter.

Lastly, on All Lives Matter, I have noticed that the outrage is seen only when a black person is killed by a white person. Why is that? It seems evident that black lives don't matter to some black people unless taken by a white person. Blacks kill each other all day in places like Chicago and many ghetto cities, but there is no outrage until it is a white police officer killing a black person, justified or not. Recently during the riots, a former police officer, a black man (David Dorn), 77 years of age was murdered by looters and rioters during these riots, but no word came out of the leftwing media. To many, including the media, this life did not matter even if it was black. The level of hypocrisy displayed is atrocious.

Planned parenthood.

This one of the most misleading names you could find. When you read this name of this organization you would think that they are any good but far from it. I call it "planned unparenthood." The "would have been" parents end up not becoming parents. This organization is the number one killer of blacks in my humble opinion. They have aborted babies in astronomical numbers saying it is the right of the woman to do whatever she wants with her body. One thing is true though, the child on the inside of her is not her body. The founder of this organization (Margaret Sanger) was a chief of all racists. Her goal was to eliminate and kill all black babies she considered to be of an inferior race, the very same ideology that Adolf Hitler had towards the Jews—murdering over 6 million of them.

Planned unparenthood has been murdering babies in the womb black or white by millions especially black babies, but there is no outcry about this. Why is that? Even more, it is funded by the taxpayers many who do not subscribe to their carnage and murder.

The founder had some absurd, evil, despicable statements in human history. Here are a few.

Margaret Sanger had a rotten perspective on certain people as she planned what she believed, and thought were "Inferior races like Orientals, Jews, and Blacks."

"[Our objective is] unlimited sexual gratification without the burden of unwanted children... [Women must have the right] to live ... to love... to be lazy ... to be an unmarried mother ... to create... to destroy... The marriage bed is the most degenerative influence in the social order... The most merciful thing that a family does to one of its infant members is to kill it."



"Colored people are like human weeds and need to be exterminated."

"We should hire three or four colored ministers, preferably with social-service backgrounds, and with engaging personalities. The most successful educational approach to the Negro is through a religious appeal. We don't want the word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population. And the minister is the man who can straighten out that idea if it ever occurs to any of their more rebellious members."



"Birth control must lead ultimately to a cleaner race."

"We are paying for, and even submitting to, the dictates of an ever-increasing, unceasingly spawning class of human beings who never should have been born at all."

You can find more quote at http://prolife365.com/margaret-sanger-quotes/

Infanticide

Infanticide is the latest publicly promoted evil of our society. First, let me boldly say, I have discovered that one of the main reasons that people support or legislate in favor of abortion and infanticide is so that they can profit from the selling of the body parts of these babies. Employees of this shamefully renowned organization—Planned unParenthood, a chief in slaughtering babies in the womb and after the womb were later exposed on video for selling the body parts harvested in abortion. What a shame! This is evil and ungodly. Infanticide is the crime of killing an infant or a child within a year of birth especially one who has survived the act of abortion.

Where is the outcry against abortion or Infanticide? The truth is Babies Lives Matter!

Racism

No one can doubt that there is still some racism not only in the United States but all over the world, and we have to fight against it. Treating a person differently because of the skin of their color is wrong, ungodly, and unacceptable. This is true for treating one differently because of their sex, accent, background, weight, and height.

Some people think because someone is black, he can't be racist. Racism is not white against black. It could be the other way around. Racism is not a skin color issue. Racism is not a heart issue, not a skin issue. A black, white, or any person can be a racist. In Rwanda, two tribes—Hutus killed Tutsi in vast numbers. They were blacks hating on blacks because of their tribal differences. This was a form of racism. It was anti-Tutsi racism.

Even more, to think that all white brothers and sisters are racist because of their skin color is racist in itself. All whites do not hate black and all the black do not hate whites.

I heard a woman on "The View" show who said a woman ought to be believed without collaboration. This woman was saying that women are incapable of lying. This is one of the most outrageous, incompetent statement I have ever heard on television. A woman, a man, or a child can lie. We should not believe anyone's testimony without collaboration. Racism is evil in the hearts of men that people use to treat others unjustly.

Many have claimed America is a racist country and that it has systemic racism. I disagree with that perspective. It is wrong. What does systemic mean? They are saying that racism is all around us, in every institution, it's all you see, there is no escape from it and so forth. No! America is not systemically racist, but although cases of racism still happen, praise God this country has come a long way. Every system of America is not racist.

You will want to read the Civil Rights acts of 1964 and certain amendments of the Constitution, many of which were directed towards ending slavery and discrimination such as the 13th Amendment—abolished slavery and involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for a crime, 14th Amendment—citizenship, equal protection under the law as relates to life, liberty, and property, and 15th Amendment—the right to vote. Even more, think about this. Is there a country that you know that has ever fought a war to end slavery against the blacks? An estimated 620,000 men died as a result of this war of the North versus the South all in the name of bringing slavery to an end.

After the war, more was done, the Civil Rights acts to end and stop discrimination based on race, sex, religion, and the nation of origin not to mention another major step in 1863—Emancipation Proclamation (executive order issued by United States President Abraham Lincoln on September 22, 1862, and effective as of January 1, 1863, which freed the slaves forever.)

- Civil Rights Act of 1866—Guaranteed the rights of all citizens to make and enforce contracts and to purchase, sell, or lease property.
- 2. Civil Rights Act of 1957— Created the six-member Commission on Civil Rights and established the Civil Rights Division in the U.S. Department of Justice.
- 3. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 ended:
 - Unequal application of voter registration requirements
 - Racial segregation in schools, at the workplace and by facilities that served the general public or what is called the public accommodations.
 - Created Equal Employment Opportunity (EOC) Commission to monitor employment discrimination in the public and private sectors.
- 4. The Fair Housing Act of 1968:

Prohibited discrimination in the sale or rental of approximately 80 percent of the housing
in the U.S. Prohibited state governments and Native American tribal governments from
violating the constitutional rights of Native Americans.

As hard to accept as this may be the blacks in America are not the only ones who have suffered because of racism. Around 6 million Jews were killed by Hitler, a Nazi ruler, in the Holocaust. This was racism against the Jews. One thing you do not see about the Jews is the victim mindset that we see in some of the African Americans here in the United States. One thing I do know is that as long as a person has a victim mindset about anything, they will not experience freedom in any area of their lives. They will not take responsibility for anything and they will blame everyone that comes in their lives.

This concept of making the people today pay a price for the racism of their great-grandparents is unjust. The person who sins is the one who pays the price. Jeremiah 31:29-30 says, "In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge. But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge."

One thing I know that will get one treated differently no matter where you are on the face of the earth is the actions of the individual—not their skin color. Some people tend to blame others for racism and discrimination for treating them based on their actions, yet the real issue is their actions. Some people want to be treated based on the color of their skin even though their actions suck. More often than not, it is because the individual has work to do, not because of their skin color.

Some people will point to their skin color for failure in their lives. If they do not get a job because they have poor qualifications, they will conclude that it was because of their skin color. When they get fired for showing up late at work or having a bad attitude, they will say it happened because of the color of their skin.

When something good happens to them, they do not say it was because of their skin color. They want to prove to everyone how it was because of their experience, skills, and brilliance. This is not always the case. We need to take these filters that make one see everything in light of their skin color.

I pray that sanity and godliness will be restored in this great nation and that godly leaders will take positions of influence and leadership in our government system. I thank the Lord for preserving this second to none country. God bless the United States of America

