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What an *awesome* book this is! It is not just a book, but a true teaching tool in the hand of our God to help all of us fine-tune our role as intercessors, and to wield His Sword in *victory*. Thank you for writing this amazing volume!

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Wanda's book is bold, balanced, and biblical! It is an absolutely fantastic resource to help us engage in effective intercession at this turbulent



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*From Sword to Scepter* resets readers' hearts and minds on heaven's perspective and purpose for the Church and government by arming prayer warriors for divine deliberation, declaration, and demonstration of Christ's reign and our response and responsibility to change the current culture through the power of the Holy Spirit. God has given Wanda a very powerful message, and I am excited to see how prayer warriors across our nation will take hold of this great guide to reshape our thinking and culture.

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# DEDICATION

I dedicate this book to all the amazing intercessors across this nation who have faithfully stood in the gap, stayed on the wall, and persevered through many challenges in order to answer heaven's call in praying for your communities, your churches, and this nation.

- I pray that the spirit of wisdom and revelation will come upon you as you read this material so that you will be encouraged, inspired, motivated, and enriched in your call.
- I pray that you will go deeper in the secret place to become even more intimate with the One who has called you and anointed you for this task.
- I pray that the strategies of heaven will be released in greater measure to see firsthand evidence of the Kingdom at work in your own sphere of influence.
- I pray that the anointing upon your life and call will draw others into the place of prayer, so that more prayer altars will be established across this land for the glory of God.

I also pray for the pastors, church leaders, and cultural influencers who will be reading this book.

- I pray your vision will grow and expand to see even greater possibility, destiny, and legacy that is awaiting us all.
- I pray for a greater love for the Body of Christ to capture your heart and empower your vision.
- I pray for the gift of discerning of spirits to be activated in greater measure so that you will gain confidence in heaven's agenda and boldness in confronting the darkness.
- I pray you will embrace your own assignment with greater zeal and increased passion for the coming harvest and the revealing of God's glory.

I also pray that the Holy Spirit would take the words I've written on these pages and go beyond the print to speak into your ears and write upon your hearts. May the message I share simply be a gateway for you to receive a firsthand revelation of God's purposes in this season. I pray that you will receive exactly what you need and that Jesus will be known, the Spirit will be revealed, and the King forever glorified.





*Using the Sword  
may destroy your enemies,  
but using the Scepter  
will secure your inheritance!*



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# FOREWORD

**A**s one who has helped pioneer the whole concept of functioning more from a judicial perspective in the spirit realm than from a battlefield mindset, *Moving From Sword To Scepter* is a book that thrills me. What we are looking for in our spiritual activities is effectiveness, not just effort. The truth of the matter is that we have put in much effort and seen little fruit quite often. The Apostle Paul spoke of this in First Corinthians 9:26 when he uses a boxing concept to speak of effort being expended with no real results being seen.

*Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air* (NKJV).

Beating the air spoke of the way a boxer would train. They would shadowbox, which speaks of punching at an imaginary opponent. Through this effort they would learn to throw blows in a more perfected way, but they were not fighting something real or having any real effect. The result would be tremendous effort put forth but no advancement or victories being won.

So often I believe we have been beset by the same thing. Since the spiritual realm is an unseen realm it is easy to make mistakes and conjour up ideas that aren't real. We can invent imaginary adversaries we are fighting.

This causes us to use a lot of energy while thinking we are actually touching something in the unseen realm, when there is actually nothing there. The result will be no real breakthroughs. This in turn will eventually lead to hope deferred as a result of disappointment produced from having our hopes built up then dashed. Proverbs 13:12 uses this phrase to describe the condition in our hearts that can develop.

*Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but when the desire comes, it is a tree of life (NKJV).*

We are told that when we have believed that something would occur and then it doesn't, a sick heart can be the result. This means that we have lost the ability and willingness to try again and believe. The root of this can be that we thought we were fighting an enemy that really didn't exist at all or at least didn't exist in the form we considered it did.

Another issue, however, is that the enemy does exist but we are approaching it from a wrong perspective or protocol. Most of us have been led to believe that we should deal with the devil and his forces on a battlefield. We are discovering however that unless we see the legal right of the devil revoked that he is claiming, we can never be effective in our spiritual warfare endeavors. Revelation 19:11 gives insight into how Jesus Himself deals with His enemies.

*Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war (NKJV).*

Notice that Jesus in righteousness judges then makes war. This is the divine order. Judge speaks of judicial activity, while making war speaks of going to the battlefield. We can never win on the battlefield until we have first operated in the judicial system of heaven. This is where judgments come from. Through repentance we can see every legal right of the devil revoked and removed that he is claiming against us. In *Moving From*

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*Sword To Scepter* Wanda Alger gives significant insight into the necessity of this. Key secrets to this effective way of function are also revealed. She helps us be able not just to beat the air in our efforts, but actually land blows on real opponents that will produce victories and breakthroughs. The result will be encouragement and healing of our hearts from any sickness of discouragement that has sought to possess them. We will again find not just effort but effectiveness in our spiritual activities. This will produce personal, family, business, ministry and even national results in agreement with the passion of God Himself. My prayer for you as you read *Moving From Sword To Scepter* is that the long-desired and sought-after breakthrough will become yours. You will see Jesus' longing over you fulfilled and over all that you love.

—Robert Henderson  
Best-Selling Author of *The Courts of Heaven* Series

# FOREWORD

It's easy to be frustrated with the current state of our nation, the United States of America. It seems every "news alert" is about the latest negative event happening in politics that usually involves one politician criticizing another. Differences are emphasized, with each side absolutely convinced they are correct. It seems as if there is no solution and our only choice is to watch the nation, that has had the greatest impact for the Kingdom of God in history, implode.

And yet, what is God's perspective on the state of our nation? Is He calling the Church to act, or just sit back?

Wanda Alger's unique perspective on these questions comes from years of intercession, prophetic action, pastoring, writing, and leading God's people. Her practical answers to these questions will convince you what God's plan has been all along—how we are called to rule in the midst of our enemies and take action as believers.

I have been in ministry for more than thirty years, traveling the nation as a leader in different large national ministries; and I can tell you, Wanda's voice is needed in this day. Her clarity of revelation and ability to express it will encourage all who read this book. I currently lead a network of hundreds of thousands of intercessors who would respond to

the type of teaching you find in this book. I believe that the Holy Spirit guides the Church to certain types of resources, and this is one of them.

*Moving from Sword to Scepter* guides you through the process of weeding out bad theology and replacing it with a practical mindset that will be aided by prayer points for you and those you will want to share with after reading this book. I encourage you to not only read it and take the time to pray through the prayer points, but to share them with others at your church, small group, Bible study, etc.

*Moving from Sword to Scepter* is a message for the Church for today. Do not delay in reading this book or passing it on. We are in a window of time that could quickly close; and unless the Church gains ground, we will lose our nation.

I have co-labored with Wanda for most of a decade and I can tell you that what you read in this book is personally applied. She's the real deal. Her journey has had many ups and many downs, many victories and some defeats, but she has remained faithful. The Body of Christ is now the benefactor of all of her effort.

Thank you, Wanda, for your faithfulness and tenacity.

—David Kubal  
President and CEO, Intercessors for America

# *The* RISING EKKLESIA *and* KINGDOM AUTHORITY

What Is God's Government?

*Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19).*

**F**or those who have been longing to be taken out of tribulation and be taken up before things get worse, I would urge you to consider our great commission. Rather than preparing to leave, we should be positioned to lead. Instead of predicting the end, we should be presenting our case. Rather than storing up provisions for fear of impending doom, we should be out in our communities releasing the clarity, purpose, and wisdom that our culture so desperately needs. Though Jesus clearly said to be ready for His return, His primary message was to preach the gospel, demonstrate the Kingdom, and bring order to the earth He gave us.

Good government rises and falls on leadership. This is true in both the sacred and secular realms. The dysfunctional leadership now in some of the highest positions of our government is, unfortunately, a reflection of the Church's dysfunctional leadership. This is not from lack of love for God or even love for others. It's due to immaturity of character, lack of accountability in leadership, and an incomplete theological framework for Kingdom expansion. The fatherless generation talked about for decades is now grown up and seeking positions of power and influence. Without a solid biblical worldview and community of faith in place, we will continue to see wicked rulers rise and Kingdom expression curtailed.

## Government Was God's Idea

*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the **government** shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of **peace** there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this (Isaiah 9:6-7).*

The word "government" in Isaiah is from the Hebrew word *misra* meaning "to prevail, have power, rule, and dominion." This governmental power and dominion flows from a Wonderful Counselor, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace, whose government is the first and the only government that will endure forever.

The major mark of God's government is *peace* (verse 7). He has established His Kingdom government so that man can live in peace with himself, his God, and his fellow man. God's government produces justice and



right decisions to all who serve the King's purposes. It is always growing, producing life, and increasing in favor and blessing without end.

From the beginning of creation, God invited all people to be part of His government. He gave Adam and Eve the mandate to fill the earth, subdue it, and to have dominion over every living thing (see Genesis 1:28). He gave them the responsibility to steward all that He created. His plan was to always include His sons and daughters in ruling and reigning with Him on the earth.

In Mark 1:15, Jesus preached, "*The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.*" The word "kingdom" is the Greek word *basileia*, meaning rule or dominion. The Kingdom is the government of God and is now at hand. It is a life-giving authority and rule that flows through the people of God to bring transformation to the earth. Jesus demonstrated this Kingdom and governmental authority by overturning the sentences of death and decay, and bringing life, alignment, and supernatural increase in every area of our existence. He released this same authority to us in order to demonstrate, influence, and disciple entire nations in this Kingdom reality to transform the failing systems of humankind.

## On Earth as It Is in Heaven

Even in the heavenly realms, there is a government at work. In Ephesians 3:10, it speaks of the "*rulers and authorities in heavenly places.*" Daniel 10:13 describes Michael, the archangel, as "*one of the chief princes*" among the heavenly host. Additional Scriptures allude to orders and ranks of heavenly beings (see Genesis 3:24; Isaiah 6:1-3; Ephesians 3:10; Colossians 1:16). God is truly the Creator of every governmental structure on both sides of the veil.

*For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him (Colossians 1:16).*

*The purpose of God's government is to reconcile to Himself all things in both realms to bring peace to His creation.* Ever since the fall of man, God has been working to bring order back to the chaos and blessing back from the curse. In His ultimate act of love, He gave His Son to make the way possible. Now, He extends to His sons and daughters, the invitation to partner with Him in rendering decisions that will restore order and reconcile humankind to God, once and for all. This is what heaven is doing and this is what His Kingdom governmental authority accomplishes.

Jesus taught His disciples to pray that His Kingdom would come, and His will would be done on earth as it is in heaven (see Matthew 6:10). This is an invitation for the government of God to be made manifest on the earth—with us as His ambassadors. That which is done in the heavenly realms to bring divine order, liberty and freedom, abundant life, and the presence of the Holy One, is to be established here on the earth.

The entire ministry of Jesus was a training ground for His followers to learn what He modeled so we could replicate it for generations to come. It not only included salvation along with signs, wonders, and miracles, but the administration of the Spirit, and the building of the House of the Lord from which all other mountains would seek truth and direction (see Isaiah 2:2). Our commission doesn't only include salvation, but discipling nations to follow a heavenly pattern of Kingdom power and authority.

*Until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ (Ephesians 4:13).*

## Church Government Versus Secular Government

If we are to be effective ambassadors of His Kingdom and transformative change agents in our nation, we must distinguish God's government apart from the governments of the world. For too long, the Church has kept governmental affairs at arm's length and refused to engage, thinking it was only "secular." We have confused politics with government and missed our opportunity to impact and influence our culture in significant ways (see Jeremiah 29:7).

*Without the Church engaging in governmental affairs, secular rulers will govern the land by default and legislate ungodly laws to silence our voice and deny us our commission.* It is clear in Scripture that God has created government for the good of the people as well as the good of the gospel. When we understand the purpose of government in both the secular and sacred realms, we are better empowered to do our part in establishing righteous rule on the earth.

The mistake most Christians have made regarding secular government is that it is supposed to function like the Church. We have imposed our beliefs and expectations on government structures and leaders and wrongly assumed their roles and purpose. Whereas the Church's role is to preach the gospel and proclaim the Kingdom, the government's role is to preserve the peace by protecting the weak and punishing the wrong.

*Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore, whoever resists the*

*authorities resist what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain. For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God's wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore, one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed (Romans 13:1-7).*

In this passage, we are told that God has established all authorities and that we are to submit to them out of reverence for Him. The apostle Paul is speaking specifically here to *governing authorities* and not church leaders. He gives specific instructions regarding their God-given role, as well as our responsibility in obeying their rules.

God uses governing authorities to:

- Bring terror to those with bad conduct.
- Use the sword to punish and bring wrath on the wrongdoer.
- Collect taxes for the good of the people.

Our responsibility to these governing authorities is to:

- Submit to their leadership or resist God and incur judgment.
- Do what is good.
- Keep a clear conscience by paying taxes.

- Respect and honor those who are due.

The government’s role is not to “turn the other cheek” or “extend mercy” to those who do wrong. Its job is to protect the innocent and punish those who threaten others. God has established “secular” government to rule *all* people—both saved and unsaved—in order to keep peace in the land. A government properly run will ensure that all people in the land are protected from those who seek to do harm.

To keep things in perspective, this was written when Emperor Nero was in power. The government of that day was evil and wicked. God’s instructions were given at a time when the governing authorities were godless and self-serving. Even so, His instructions kept His people’s hearts clear. The Kingdom principles of authority and submission were in play, regardless of the individual rulers or their motives. God’s rule would prevail as long as His people remained pure of heart and free from offense.

*Be subject for the Lord’s sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by Him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. ...Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly (1 Peter 2:13-19).*

These verses speak specifically to our attitudes toward authorities we deem to be unfair and cruel. Even when we don’t like them, we are instructed to honor their role and office. Unless we are told to go directly against God’s Word, we must abide by the laws of the land and the directives of our leaders. How we respond—even to wicked leaders—can be a demonstration of the unseen Kingdom whose influence and power supersedes all others.

In our current political climate, this is increasingly difficult for God-honoring believers who see those in power as corrupt and self-serving. We must remember that in the United States, politicians are elected by the people, thus putting the responsibility—or blame—squarely on our own shoulders. It has only been in recent years that Christians are waking to this reality and beginning to get more engaged in the electoral process to assure that God-honoring officials are elected—or removed.

However, in our attempt to redefine godly leadership, we cannot confuse the qualifications for governing authorities with church leaders. Scriptures, again, clarify these roles and what God expects of both types of leaders.

## Church Leadership Versus Secular Leadership

Numerous passages in the New Testament detail the job descriptions and expectations for those chosen to lead the church. The long lists of character qualities, moral choices, and relational dynamics are given to ensure the purity of heart and truthful integrity of anyone considering a position of leadership within the Body of Christ.

We find these lists in First Timothy 3, Titus 1:6-9, and First Peter 5:1-3. Some of the expectations listed are as follows: being above reproach, temperate and self-controlled, respectable and hospitable, able to teach, a lover of good, upright, holy and disciplined, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money, not a recent convert, having a good reputation with outsiders, able to give instruction in sound doctrine, able to keep their household and children in order, etc.

It is evident that those whom the Lord calls to lead the Church are held to a high standard. They, and their household, must demonstrate godly character and a life of integrity that upholds biblical values. Their role is to bring the lost into the Kingdom (see Matthew 18:16-20),

disciple believers into holiness and godliness (see 1 Timothy 4:6-11), and to mature the Bride of Christ (see Ephesians 4:12-16).

However, the Bible refers to civil servants differently. Rather than a list of qualifications, Scriptures detail how God will use governmental leaders to accomplish His purposes. In Romans 13:1-6 and First Peter 2:13-14, the role of governing authorities within human institutions describes a different kind of leader. They are:

- *God's servant* for the good of the people
- *A terror* to bad conduct, bearing the sword
- *Avengers* who carry out God's wrath on the wrongdoer
- *Servants of God*, attending to taxation of the people
- *Sent by God to punish* those who do evil and *praise* those who do good

These job descriptions include no reference to personal morality or godliness. These civil authorities are used by God, and in that sense are authorized by Him, yet their personal conduct and behavior is not mentioned. Their primary role is to keep the people safe from harm, punish those who break the law, and reward those who do good. The authority granted to them is so strong that it should even bring “*terror*” to those who break the laws of the land.

In Exodus 18:21-22, judges were appointed to govern the people. Their list of qualifications called for men who feared God, were trustworthy, and hated bribes. Again, their personal morality was not a factor, as much as their track record of being truthful, honest and God-fearing. King Cyrus (see Isaiah 45) and the Pharaoh (see Genesis 41) were both heathen rulers, yet they recognized God at work and allowed the people of God to flourish and succeed. In both Testaments, God's purposes for



governing rulers were to discern rightly, judge fairly, and follow the laws of the land so that all would thrive.

What does this mean in today's political process? As believers, we can certainly pray that all our elected officials would fear the Lord and love God. At the same time, there will be those who do not follow Christ, yet have made the personal choice to honor those who do. Unlike church leaders who must model Christ to the flock, civil government leaders must rule over many who are not yet saved and have no godly standard for righteous rule. This is what creates a society where believers can be free to exercise their faith and share the gospel without hindrance.

Let's not disqualify those whom the Lord chooses as civil authorities simply because they may not pass the litmus test for church leaders. Their roles are different as are their job descriptions. Even as we pray for our governing officials to have a life-changing encounter with Christ, let us also pray that they would meet the qualifications for governing well.

To summarize, these are the foundational truths concerning the government of God:

1. God created government, both in the natural and in the spirit, to bring reconciliation between God and humanity, and peace to the earth.
2. Jesus gave us authority to govern here on the earth, just as He does in heaven.
3. Secular governments have different roles than church governments, but both have their purpose in fulfilling Kingdom purposes.
4. The leadership roles of civil authorities and church authorities differ, but both have been authorized by God to bring peace and stability to those they serve.

## Taking Dominion Where It Counts

When I speak of governing here on the earth, I am not referring to “taking dominion” in the way some in the Body of Christ have thought. Our rule is not one which seeks total domination over every institution on the earth or some zealous takeover of every mountain in culture. That’s what the disciples in Jesus’ day thought would happen. They didn’t get it, either.

Kingdom rule is the reality of an unseen Kingdom at work in every sphere of our culture; bearing such weight, authority, and influence, it’s impact is powerful and tangible. It will be felt by the implicit, supernatural authority that accompanies those who operate in it, bringing substantial results that are not possible through natural means. It is we, the ambassadors of heaven, who are the carriers of this Kingdom authority and those who bring heaven to earth in our various realms of influence. This is not necessarily by ruling over others in the natural as much as ruling and reigning in the spirit. We have the opportunity to bring this kind of impact to every mountain of our culture through our witness and righteous actions, regardless of our roles or positions.

God took Daniel to a governmental mountain in his day to bear heaven’s authority with a heathen ruler. Joseph was made second in command to the Pharaoh of Egypt in order to save God’s people from extinction. The apostle Paul was led into the courts of Caesar to make an appeal for the gospel. In each case, it was not an organized takeover or attempt at domination, but a living demonstration of Kingdom rule and authority that so impacted the pagan rulers of the day, God’s people prospered, and the glory of the true King became known. They ruled in the midst of their enemies (see Psalm 110:1-2).

Regardless of our seats of authority in the natural realm, there is one place that we have been called to be seated and take dominion—in the spiritual realm. We are seated with Christ in heavenly places (see

Ephesians 2:6) in order to reign with Him, putting everything in subjection under His feet.

*That he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named.... And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all (Ephesians 1:20-23).*

*The Lord says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool (Psalm 110:1).*

We know that our battle is not against humans, but against the rulers and authorities in the spiritual realms who are trying to steal, kill, and destroy our Kingdom authority. *This* is the place where we are to reign as sons and daughters of the King to take dominion and rule over every seat of darkness set against the Lord. As coheirs with Christ, we wrest the authority from illegal spiritual invaders over the Body of Christ and over our nation. It is here that our true authority is tested and matured so we have legitimate authority on the earth.

The kingdom of darkness will continue to press in, and the work of our adversary will never stop advancing until the final day of judgment. However, in the midst of that darkness, the light of Christ will shine, for *"Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end"* (Isaiah 9:7). Jesus' commission was for us to disciple His Bride among every nation of the earth to show forth the glory of His Father and demonstrate what heaven looks like. We do this by exercising our God-given authority in the spiritual realm first, thus impacting and shifting the authorities on the earth.

## Executing Justice on the Earth

In late 2017 I was shown why it is so important for the Body of Christ to understand our spiritual authority in these days. Heaven is rendering God's justice on the earth and He has invited us as Kingdom agents to execute that justice through our prayers, proclamations, and righteous deeds.

*I saw the region surrounding Washington, DC, and a platform that someone was standing on. It was in the midst of a vast ocean that was dark and swirling. I saw a huge gavel from heaven coming down from above, ready to strike the platform. I knew the one standing on the platform was unaware of the judgment coming. I needed to warn him.*

*Those who saw from a distance avoided the crash of the gavel—the first time. Suddenly, an unexpected immense wall of water came from behind this platform, carrying another gavel. I saw it emerge from the depths, but this time, the **handle** of the gavel came directly to **me**—as if an invitation to take it—and use it. The force of the water was so great there was no avoiding the crush of the wave. Even so, the gavel had power over it. As I struggled to keep my head above the water, I felt something at my feet, as if a warning.*

God's judgments are being rendered concerning the platforms of humanity. The messages we speak and the alliances we keep, are being watched and weighed. God is letting us know that decisions are being made in heaven's court and we must warn those who do not yet see or understand the severity of their choices.

He is also extending to us on earth this same authority in rendering decisions on His behalf. We do this through our prayers, our proclamations, and our righteous walk and deeds. As we watch with Him from

heavenly places and declare His Word concerning the affairs of man, our Kingdom authority in prayer will bring justice and breakthrough. Even so, He is issuing a warning concerning our walk. Just as I felt something at my feet in the dream, the enemy will go after our attempts at spreading the gospel and try to “pull us under” if we are not properly attached to the Body of Christ.

The godly legislation needed on the land starts in the heavens through prayer, then manifests on the earth through us. The government of God is at work through us and we can rejoice in the invitation to partner with heaven to see the fullness of His Kingdom come to earth.

*Let the godly exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their beds.  
Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged  
swords in their hands, to execute vengeance on the nations  
and punishments on the peoples, to bind their kings with  
chains and their nobles with fetters of iron, to execute on them  
the judgment written! This is honor for all His godly ones.  
Praise the Lord! (Psalm 149:5-9)*

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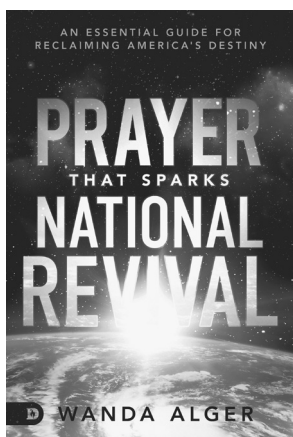
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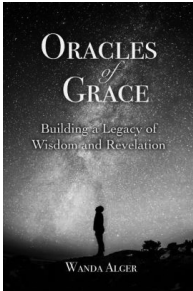
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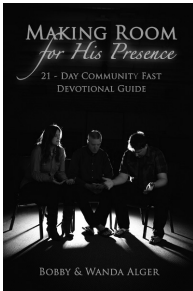
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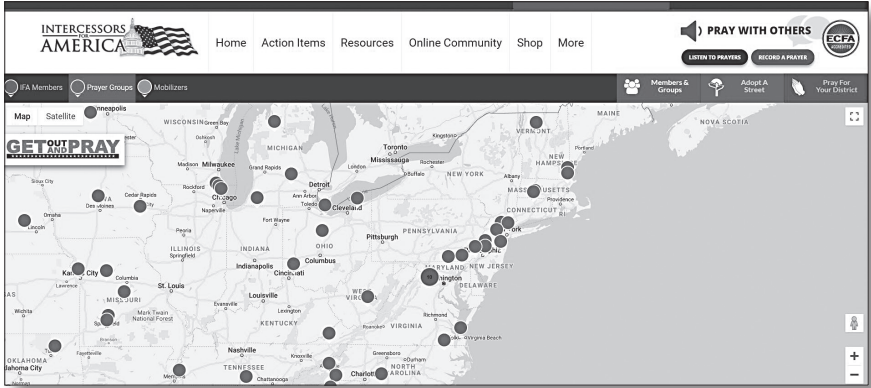
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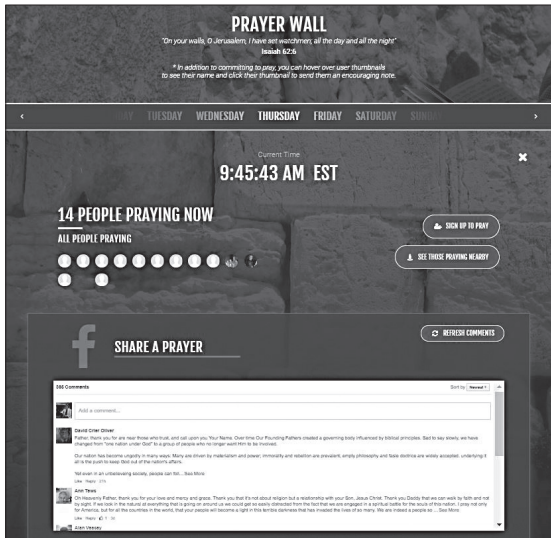
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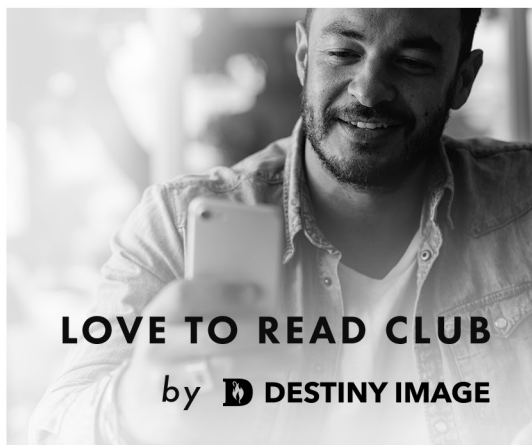
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