

# ONE NATION UNDER GOD

## One Nation Under God: "Unalienable Rights"

Last weekend we had a great lesson civics by PT and on the founding of our nation of America. If you missed it, I urge you to go online to catch it. So how are we doing today, 246 years after our nation was founded? Yes, we have religious freedoms in America, but do we see more God revering, God fearing people in America? Or less so? Are more people coming to Jesus than ever before? Would we say there is a revival happening in our country to turn to Jesus?

I'm gonna be asking this question, and it's rhetorical, in that I want you to reflect upon how things are. This is the question, **How are we doing?** And therefore, I hope you respond with a question to God: **God what do you want me to do about this!** Got it!

This past Wednesday, at our Town Hall, almost every candidate started out as saying they were fed up with how government is leading today.

Even if our founding fathers set the very foundation of our nation on God and Religion, it's not a theocracy. A theocracy is when the religious leaders are the heads of the state. The first amendment states there is freedom of religion. That's what the founding fathers wanted freedom from, the tyranny of the religious establishment of England to dictate their religious beliefs of it's citizens.

And in this America we all live under, one of our unalienable rights, since we are all created equal, is we all have a voice, and no one sovereign can claim to represent God and so our government is of the people, by the people and for the people. I see it as our responsibility, our kuleana, as those who pledge to follow Jesus, to have a voice to speak and represent Jesus' Kingdom values in our world and have a say in how we are to be governed.

**So how are we doing** collectively as fellow kings, with voices to speak out, in America, with the rights and privilege to have a say in the way we are to be governed, in what kind of morality, what's seen as right and wrong, as Christians we can have in our nation. How are we Christians doing?

However, we have to be sure about this. Enacting laws that represent our morality won't mean we'll see more conversions and followers of Jesus.

We must not look to government as the institution that brings hope to our world. It's Jesus and His coming Kingdom that does. And the good news is this, one thing is for sure is Jesus is the soon and coming King. All earthly nations will pass away and there is an eternal kingdom awaiting us. A kingdom where there will be no wars, no evil, we'll be one family, no suffering, no discrimination.