



BIBLE NUGGETS

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- Citizens Versus Illegals -

"A nation that cannot control its borders is not a nation."

President Ronald Reagan

Following the tower of Babel, "... the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of the whole earth; and they stopped building the city" (Genesis 11:8).

Former U.S. Congressman Randy Forbes:

"The sin nature in man necessitates the separation of man into independent nations. The axiom is true: "Power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely." This is the same principle of Scripture that informed our Founding Fathers relative to the separation of powers within our one government. Babel illustrates an all-out quest for a one-nation-in-the-world form of existence and governance, wherein man worships his own greatness rather than God's. Babel serves to illustrate man's open defiance of God. Its modern-day equivalent is the philosophy of Humanism."

Only In America:

- . If you cross the North Korean border illegally, you get 12 years hard labor.
- . If you cross the Iranian border illegally, you are detained indefinitely.
- . If you cross the Afghan border illegally, you get shot.
- . If you cross the Saudi Arabian border illegally, you will be jailed.
- . If you cross the Chinese border illegally, you may never be heard from again.
- . If you cross the Venezuelan border illegally, you will be branded a spy and your fate will be sealed.
- . If you cross the Cuban border illegally, you will be thrown into a political prison to rot.
- . If you cross the Pakistan border illegally, you are subject to be shot.
- . If you cross the Russian border illegally, you may never be heard from again.
- . If you cross the Syrian border illegally, you may never be heard from again.

If You Cross The U.S. Border Illegally, You Get: (Only In America)

- . A Job
- . A Driver's License
- . A Social Security Card
- . Welfare
- . Food Stamps
- . Credit Cards
- . Subsidized Rent Or A Loan To Buy A House
- . Free Education
- . Free Health Care
- . A Lobbyist In Washington
- . Billions Of Dollars Worth Of Public Documents Printed In Their Own Language
- . The Right To Carry Your Own Flag While Protesting Against The U.S.
- . And, In Many Instances, The Right To Vote.

Biblically Uninformed Thinking:

The above serves to illustrate biblically uninformed thinking. What the Bible has to say about this should lead the U.S. citizen to vastly different conclusions and actions especially in light of Afghanistan and terrorist attacks. In ways unknown yet real, God raises nations up and puts them down, as He chooses (Dt. 32:7-9; Dan. 2:20-21), in accordance with their faithfulness to His respective purposes for them.

"The Bounds Of Their Habitation"

"When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when He separated the sons of Adam, He set the bounds of the people according to the number of the Children of Israel" (Dt. 32:8). "And has made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation" (Acts 17:26).

Distinguishing Between Country-man, Sojourner & Illegals:

- (1) An Israelite citizen is referred to as a countryman in Scripture "Fellow Countryman" (Lev. 19:17).
- (2) A legal immigrant is referred to as a sojourner in Scripture (Ex. 22:21). "You shall not wrong a sojourner or oppress him, for you were sojourner in the Land of Egypt." "Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the Land of Egypt" (Dt. 10:19).
- (3) Policies preventing illegal immigration should stem from biblical motives of ensuring the general welfare of the nation versus denying a would-be immigrant the potential for a better way of life. However, to exclude foreign individuals who might be criminals, traitors, or terrorist, or who possess communicable diseases is not racist in the least! It is good stewardship to protect the citizens of the nation who have pledged their allegiance to the nation and their fellow citizens.