Standing in the Gap

What does it mean to "stand in the gap?" Many people pray the prayer of standing in the gap for our country, but what does that truly mean? The prayer is good however I believe that God is looking for something more when He says that He is looking for someone who will stand in the gap for the sake of the nation. I believe He is looking for someone who is living a consecrated life and is willing to be a "Break-water" for all of our adversaries forces and anger. He is looking for someone who no longer cares for his earthly life, for the sake of those who will follow afterword and enjoy the fruits of his sacrifice. Those who died in World War Two experienced this. They never saw the freedom they had paid so dearly for and yet were willing to do their all for our sake.

So what are the character traits of someone who can actually stand in the gap?

They have to ask themselves these questions.

- Am I willing to take the heat for the Gospel of Christ?
- Am I willing to give up the world and its approval?
- Am I willing to give up my earthly desires that stand between me and God's will being accomplished?

You see, the person who God is looking for to stand in the gap is also the person He will use to lead the land out of sin and into righteousness. God wants to take that person and rebuild the nation with him.

The only thing that stands between us and being a man or woman who can truly stand in the gap is our love for this present life. If we cannot let go then we are unable to take part because those earthly loves will always get between us and our duty. We will not be dependable. Sometimes we'll be available but at all the critical times we will easily be distracted and enticed by our adversary and unable to answer the call. Our distractions will win the day.

God is looking for people who will lead the country out of sin and into righteousness. Are we willing to lay down our lives for a victory we may not see but will most assuredly come and bless all who come after us? Are we willing to be the people God will use? The personal cost is high but the reward far outshines it. I recently read the story of a town in China where the leaders attempted to stamp out all Christianity by killing all the Christians. However only a few years later that town was a stronghold for Christ! Those people who died did not see their victory but all who followed after did.

Are we willing to lay down our lives for our land once again? Only those who are willing can truly stand in the gap and God is looking for you! Will you stand? Are you tired of living a compromised life for Christ and greatly desire the fullness of joy that can only come with truly picking up the cross of Christ? Let us be the Fellowship of the Unashamed for Christ!

God bless you all!

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