

Principles of Liberty: Ten Biblical Truths
Embedded in the Declaration of Independence
A Five-Session Bible Study Series

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SESSION ONE

The Reality and Authority of Nature's God

- **Principle One:** God exists, has established an ordered and moral universe, and holds humanity accountable.
- **Principle Two:** Absolute truths exist and are knowable.

SESSION TWO

The Relationship of God's Laws to Human Happiness and Human Worth

- **Principle Three:** God and His laws establish the track on which men and nations must travel to attain happiness, fulfillment, and greatness; and to reach their God-given potential.
- **Principle Four:** God has created human beings equal in value, and He intends for them to be treated with dignity and respect.

SESSION THREE

Equality and Rights: Self-Evident Marks of the Creator on Humanity

- **Principle Five:** Rights are inherent and God-given and are rooted in God's having created members of the human race in His own image.
- **Principle Six:** *Equality* as used by Jefferson and the rest of the Founders refers to equality of worth and affirmation of natural opportunities, not to equality of outcomes achieved by government manipulation of outcomes, opportunities, or both.

SESSION FOUR

God Determines Rights and Gives Government the Job of Protecting Them

- **Principle Seven:** Rights are inextricably linked to God's laws.
- **Principle Eight:** Government does not grant rights but has the responsibility to recognize, maintain, and protect them.

SESSION FIVE

Government Is Accountable to God

- **Principle Nine:** Government has limited authority.
- **Principle Ten:** When government oversteps its authority and begins to achieve ends contrary to those it was established and designed by God to accomplish, the people have a right and even a duty to hold it accountable.