

# Joshua Miktarian Funeral - Part 2

by Jason Robinson

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*Jason Robinson emphasizes the importance of mourning and reflection on God's laws in a lawless society during Joshua Miktarian's funeral service.*

**Duration:** 5:02

**Scripture:** Exodus 20:1-17, Psalm 119:105, Proverbs 14:12, Proverbs 29:18, Ecclesiastes 7:2, Matthew 7:21, Romans 14:12, Galatians 6:7, Hebrews 9:27, 1 John 3:4

**Topics:** "Moral Accountability", "Spiritual Consequences"

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## Description

This sermon emphasizes the importance of reflecting on the state of our souls and the need to prioritize our relationship with God. It addresses the societal shift away from acknowledging God's laws and the consequences of lawlessness. The speaker highlights the significance of upholding moral values, such as the Ten Commandments, in shaping a just and orderly society. The sermon also delves into the spiritual realm, discussing accountability before a holy God and the consequences of disobeying His laws despite the freedom of choice given to humanity.

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## Transcript

The sad face is good for the heart. The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning, but the heart of fools is in the house of pleasure. Why? Why is that? Because it causes us when we're at a funeral to reprioritize and to examine the state of our soul.

You see, we are in a generation that has no time to stop and contemplate the fact that someday we are going to have to give an account to God for our lives. Many changes have been made over the last century in this country that make it easier to not have to think about the Day of Judgment. This nation has pushed the Lord Jesus out of public schools.

This nation has pushed the Bible out of schools and forbidding even the Ten Commandments to be hung in public places, and now innocent people like Josh's wife and many others are having to live the rest of their lives dealing with the pain caused by a lawless society. Why is it so bad to put a sign up on a wall that says thou shalt not kill? Why is it so bad to say thou shalt not steal? Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not lie.

Thou shalt not covet or lust after your neighbor's wife and your neighbor's house. As I look out into this building and see thousands of police officers, I think of how much easier their job would be if we could

teach the Ten Commandments to young people in this country. Thomas Jefferson said, God who gave us life gave us liberty, and can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed the only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people, that these liberties are a gift from God, that they are not to be violated, and if violated we will see, and I quote him, God's wrath.

He goes on to say, indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, but that his justice cannot sleep forever. Two of the framers of the Constitution, John Adams and John Hancock, said we recognize no other sovereign but God, and no other king but Jesus, but because of the politically correct culture we live in, it won't even permit what our founding fathers had emphasized. And so then we're seeing a nation drift more and more into lawlessness.

What is lawlessness? The definition of lawlessness is a refusal to be restrained and controlled by law. We see lawlessness getting worse and worse in this country, and it's become so bad now that many have no regard for the laws of this land. We are a constitutional republic governed by the rule of law.

You officers here have the great task of enforcing those laws. Many of us rejoice that we live in a free country, but you cannot have freedom without law and responsibility. The very definition of the word liberty is this, the freedom to do that which is right.

That's what liberty is. But now I would like to take this understanding of freedom and lawlessness and bring it into the spiritual realm. I feel it necessary to remind us that we are all going to have to give an account for our actions to a holy God after we die.

See, God out of love has set up laws for us to live by. I have four children and live on a very busy road, and because I love my children, I have rules that they're not allowed to go in the street, and if they go out in the street, they'll get punished. I make those rules because I love them, and God made us, he created us, he loves us, and he has made rules for which we have to live by.

But he's given us a free will. He does not make robots, he gives us a free will to obey those laws or to disobey those laws. And he's also put a conscience within us, so that when we begin to violate those God-given laws, it pricks our heart.

And when we still go against that conscience, the Bible calls that sin. First John 3, 4 says, everyone who sins breaks the law. In fact...

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