## II Chronicles 7:14

# **Introduction:**

- 1. Today, America has 3 ticking time bombs hanging over our heads.
  - A. We are killing our future (Exodus 1:8-22; 2:1-15; 13:17-14:31).
  - B. We endorse the "alternate" lifestyle (Gen 18:20-19:29; Rom 1:21-32)
  - C. An antisemitic culture is increasing in US (Gen 12:2-3; 22:17-18).
- 2. In II Chronicles 7:14, God gives us our only recipe for the cure.

#### I. OUR PREPARATIONS.

- 1. (v. 14c) We must humble ourselves.
  - A. I Peter 5:5 *God resists the proud*
  - B. "Climb down off your high horse."
  - C. Ps. 51:17 God requires a broken and contrite heart.
- 2. (v. 14d) We must pray for ourselves.
  - A. Ps 139:23-24 Search me, O God, and know my heart.
  - B. We come to God humbly, in prayer, to confess (agree with God) concerning the awfulness of our sins.
- 3. (v. 14e) We must seek God's face.
  - Jer. 29:13 You will seek Me and find Me when you search....
- 4. (v. 14f) We must turn from our wicked ways.
  - A. II Cor 5:17 If any man be in Christ, He is a new creation.
  - B. God commands morality (Rom 14:21; I Cor 6:9-20; 8:9-13).

# II. GOD'S PROMISES.

- 1. (v. 14g) God will hear from heaven.
  - A. Proverbs 28:13 *He that covers his sins shall not prosper*.
  - B. Ps. 66:18-19 If I regard iniquity in my heart....
  - C. I Pt 3:12 For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous.
- 2. (v. 14h) God will forgive our sin.
  - John 8:36 If the Son, therefore, shall make you free....
- 3. (v. 14i) God will heal our land.
  - A. Ezek. 36:26 A new heart also will I give you.
  - B. Prov 14:34 Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin....
  - C. Ps. 33:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.

## **Conclusion:**

God is willing & able to heal our land, but the big IF is left to us.