

# CAUTION

**This Grace Group contains explicit BIBLICAL content. It contains graphic expressions of PRAYER. The language may not be suitable for visitors offended by non-profane references to JESUS. You are strongly cautioned that your flesh may be in serious danger.**

# ROMANS

A nighttime photograph of the Colosseum in Rome, Italy. The structure is illuminated from within, showing the arches and the tiered seating areas. The foreground features some trees and a fence, and the background is dark.

Results of  
Rejection -  
1:21-23

Colosseum





**Arch of Severus,  
Arch of Titus in  
distance**

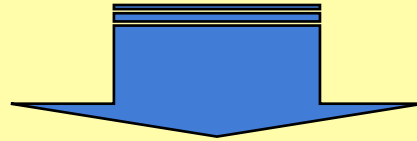


# OUTLINE

- I. Introduction 1:1-17**
- II. Prov. of God's Righteousness 1:18-8:39**
  - A. Condemnation 1:18-3:20**
    - 1. Guilt of Humanity 1:18-32**
      - a. Rejection of God 1:18-23**
        - 1) Revelation & Reason for God's Wrath 1:18-19**
        - 2) Rev. & Rejection of God 1:20-21**
        - 3) Results & Replacement 1:22-23**

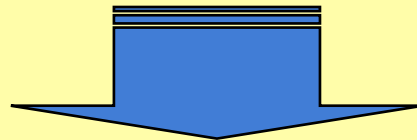
**Man under  
God's Wrath**

**1:18**



**Reasons  
For Wrath**

**1:19-23**



**God Rendering  
Wrath**

**1:24-32**

**1:21 For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened.**

# RESULTS

## 1. Distorted thinking

ματαιωω - be empty, worthless

noun = emptiness, purposeless

διαλογισμος - thoughts, reasoning

inability to know spiritual things

1Cor 2:14, Eph 4:17-18

alternative theories - evolution





**IN THIS HOUSE WE BELIEVE...**

**NO HUMAN IS ILLEGAL**

*Love is Love*

**SCIENCE IS REAL**

*Women's Rights are Human Rights*

**BLACK LIVES MATTER**

*Health Care is  
a right, not a  
privilege*

**WATER IS LIFE**

**And Kindness is Everything**





**In this house we believe the Bible ...**

**Law breaking is not legal**

*God is love and immoral behavior is devastating*

**Science is real—if based on reality**

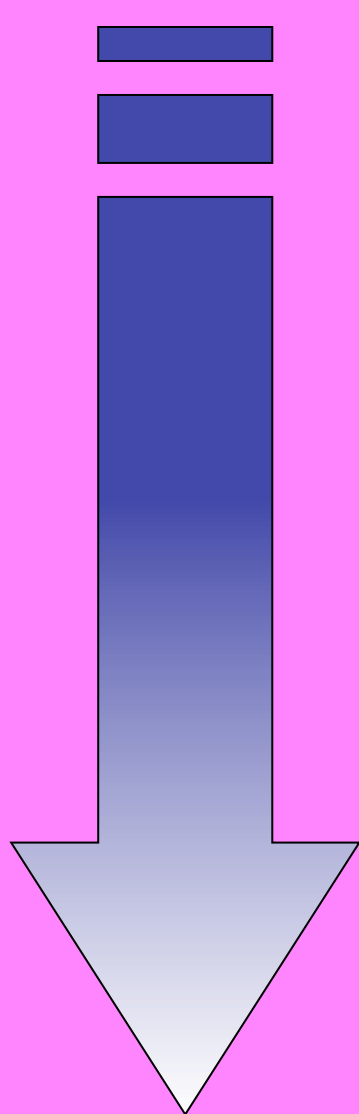
**Women's rights are protected by God's laws**

**All lives matter—especially those in the womb**

**Jesus is the water of life**

**And the Creator is source of everything**

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## 2. Destructive Morality

**ασυνετος - senseless, foolish**

**σκοτιζομαι - become dark**

**moral inability to do spiritual things**

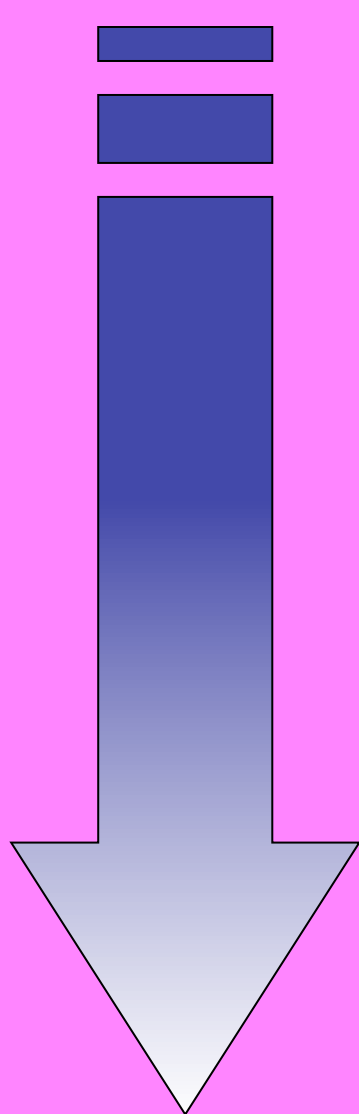
**blurring of right and wrong**

**flesh and emotions control actions**

**Mt 15:18-19, Lk 6:45**



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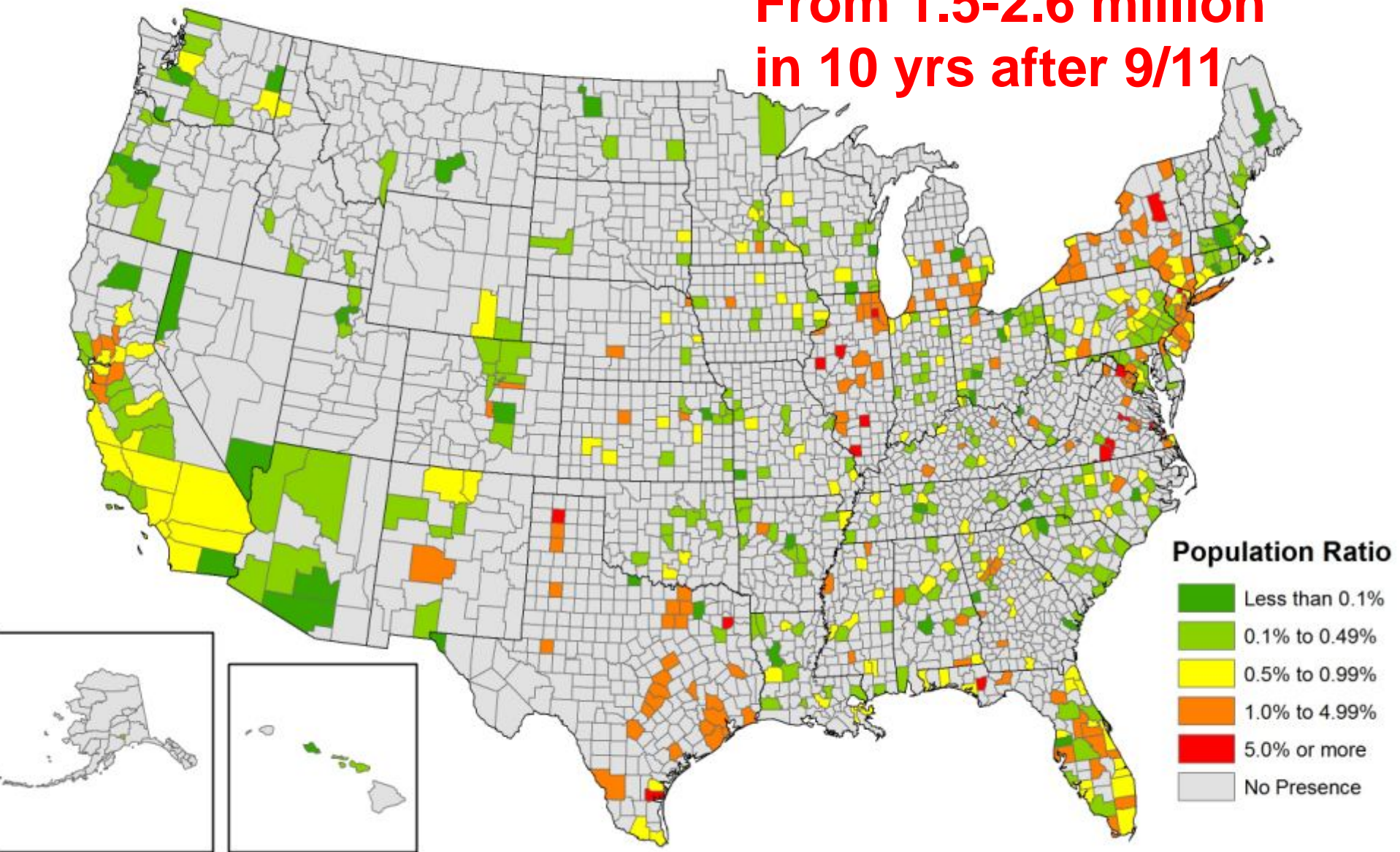
- 1. Man - Babylon, Greeks, Romans,  
Tibetan Buddhism, Japan,  
N. Korea**
- 2. Birds - Egyptians, Romans**
- 3. Animals - Egyptians, Hinduism**
- 4. Crawling creatures - Assyrians,  
Chaldeans, Egyptians, Africans**



**“Mormons and Muslims are now two of the most rapidly growing religious groups in the United States - swiping ground from the Protestants and Catholics who dominated the country throughout the 20th century.”**

**Daily Mail**

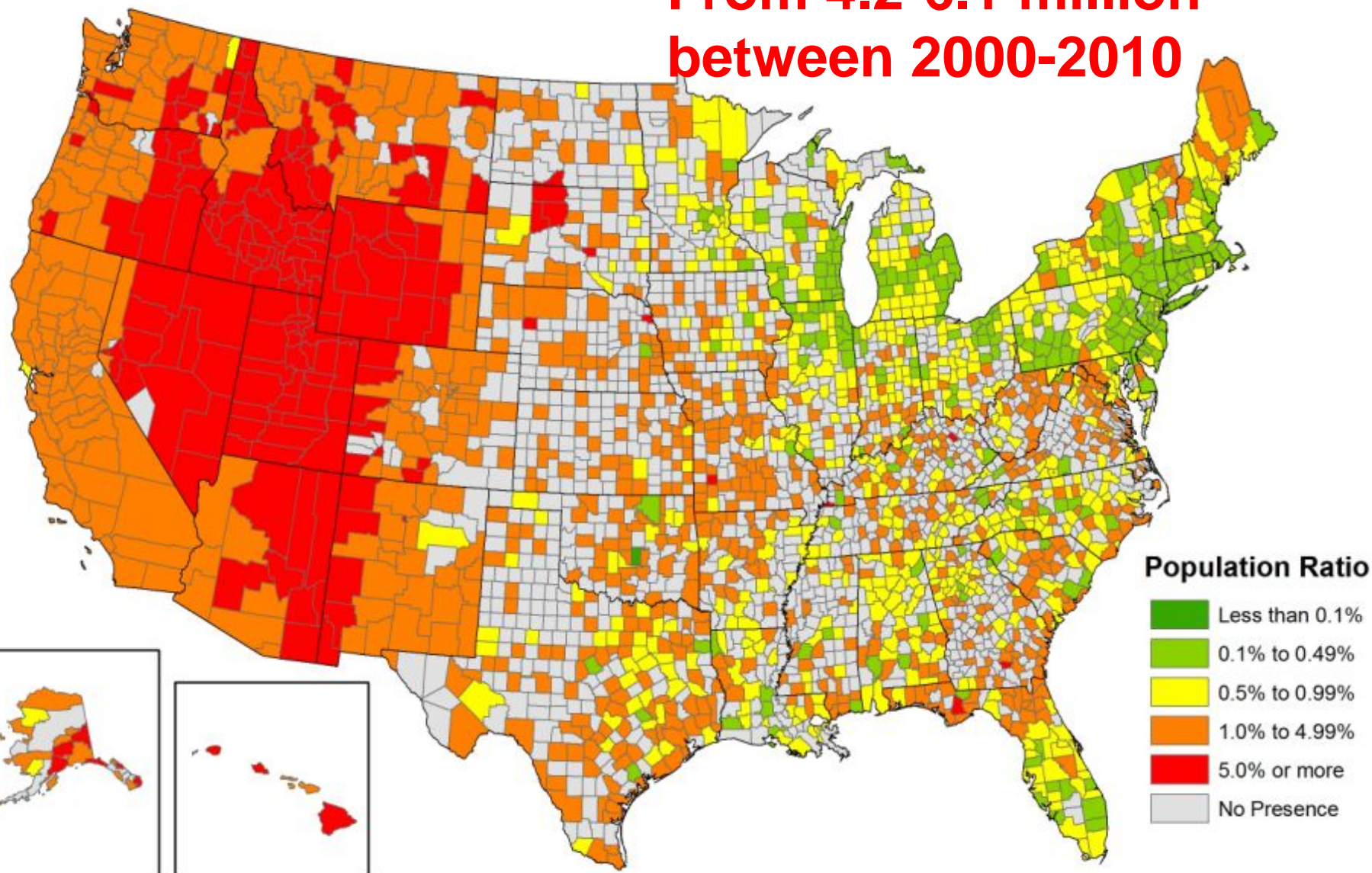
**From 1.5-2.6 million  
in 10 yrs after 9/11**





Population Penetration, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Adherents in the United States, 2010

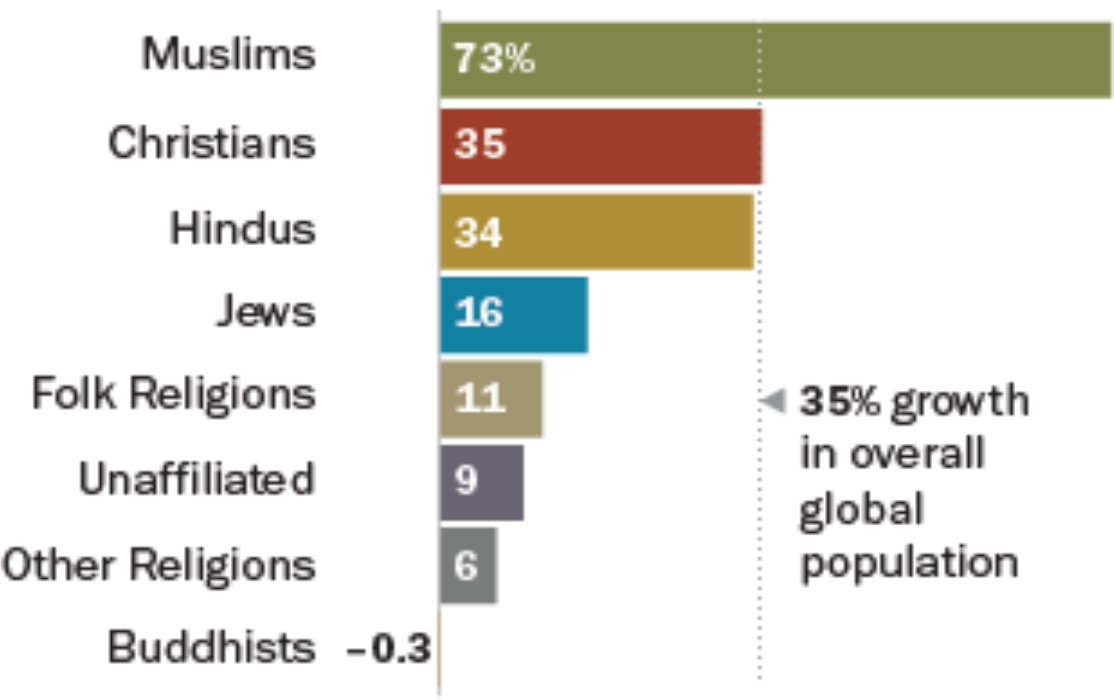
**From 4.2-6.1 million  
between 2000-2010**



# Islam Growing Fastest

*Muslims are the only major religious group projected to increase faster than the world's population as a whole.*

Estimated change in population size, 2010-2050



Source: The Future of World Religions: Population Growth Projections, 2010-2050

PEW RESEARCH CENTER

Opinion:

Christian numbers are poll results & do not represent born again Christians

# **NEW AGE**

➤ **Beliefs -        astral projection,  
reincarnation, psychic healing,  
past lives, UFOs, channeling,  
consciousness, transformations**

➤ **26% of US believe some**

# **OCCULT**

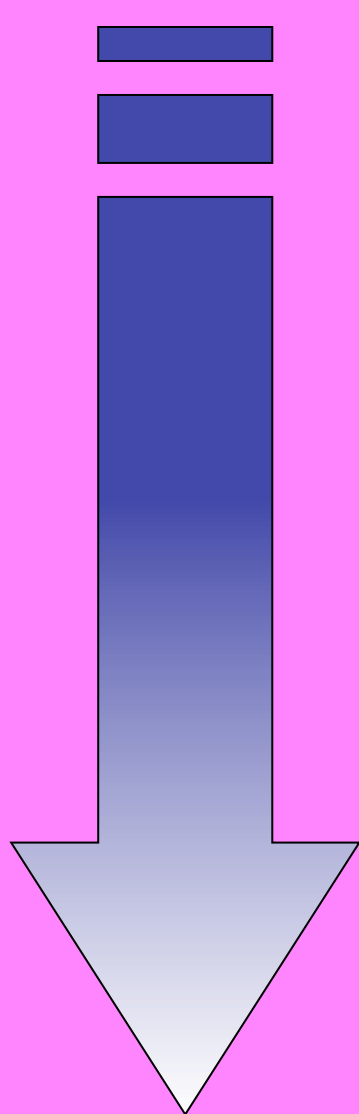
- **200,000 registered witches in US**
- **8 million unregistered practitioners of Wicca**
- **“Certain parts of the country, such as the Pacific NW, the mountain states (NM & Col.) & areas near Salem, Mass., are the strongest in the U.S.”**



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A photograph of a sunset over the Sea of Galilee. The sun is a bright, glowing orb on the horizon, casting a shimmering path of light across the water. The sky is filled with soft, golden clouds, and the distant hills are silhouetted against the twilight. The overall mood is peaceful and majestic.

**Praise our Lord for  
His work of  
REGENERATION!!!**

**Sea of Galilee from Kursi**