

AMERICA, FREE RIDE, OR WHAT?

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A Russian arrives in New York City as a new immigrant to the United States . He stops the first person he sees walking down the street and says, 'Thank you, Mr. American, for letting me in this country, giving me housing, food stamps, free medical care, and free education!' The passerby says, 'You are mistaken, I am Mexican.'

The man goes on and encounters another passerby. 'Thank you, Mr. American, for having such a beautiful country here in America!' The person says, 'I not American, I'm Vietnamese.'

The new arrival walks further, and the next person he sees he stops, shakes his hand and says, 'Thank you, Mr. American, for this wonderful America !' That person puts up his hand and says, 'I am from Middle East, I am not American!' He finally sees a nice lady and asks, 'Are you an American?' She says, 'No, I am from Africa!'

Puzzled, he asks her, 'Where are all the Americans?' The African lady checks her watch and says, 'Probably at work!'

Where did the teaching go that says, "If a man will not work, he shall not eat"? 2 Thess 3:10 NIV Where do some people "Get Off" by thinking that some are to crawl out of bed early each morning and go off to jobs, and work all day and that is just fine for them. While others of us think that unless physically or mentally unable --- that all should be crawling out and going to work. Uncle Sam needs to wise up and put all to work. If one refuses to work -- let him get hunger cramps and he/she will possibly change his/her thinking.

Plainly, don't get short changed. Let's be ready to meet our Maker. The Bible (in Acts) teaches that to avoid hell and gain heaven - one must:

- 1) Believe In Jesus As Savior (16:31) 2) Repent Of Sins (17:30)
- 3) Confess Christ Audibly (8:37) 4) Be Baptized In Water (2:38)
- 5) Live A Christian Life (14:22) 6) Be Active In the Church (2:47)

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