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## A Time to Speak – A Time to Act – A Time to Serve

As we preach, teach, and practice the unconditional love of Jesus Christ, we must not be afraid to identify a lynching before our very eyes.

The latest lynching did not occur on some dark highway, or in the deep woods of a Southern community. It came in the bright daylight, on a public street, in a famous American city.

The most recent lynching was not initiated and executed by a group of hooded Klansmen hiding their identity. It was viciously carried out by policemen in uniform, persons on the public or city payroll.

The lynching of our brother George Floyd at the hands of parties well known was filmed in brilliant living color. This death is set before the President, the Congress, the Senate, Pastors, Preachers, Priests, Rabbis, Imams, Clerics, Politicians, Liberals, Conservatives, Evangelicals and Fundamentalists and all people everywhere.

There is no hiding place in America or the world from this brutal deed.

George Floyd is dead, murdered, lynched. He did not throw a single stone, set a single fire, break a single window, tear down a single door, or overturn a single garbage can. He did not destroy anyone's property.

Mr. Floyd died in handcuffs with a brutal knee on his neck, while three cops in uniforms gave strength and support to this murderous act. Not a single one, as far as we know, is on record crying Stop! Stop! Stop!

Mr. President, Mr. Attorney General, Ministers, Clergypersons, Senators, and Congresspersons, please do not try to use the outrage following this cold-hearted murder as a reason to excuse, support, or justify this public lynching.

If our faith, religion, ethics, morality, decency, humanity, mind, soul, and politics will not condemn murder and lynching then we are murderers and lynchers. There comes a time when silence is sinful. There comes a time when inaction is consent and co-conspiratorial.

Now is the time to speak, act, vote, serve, sacrifice, teach, and lead in the name of our Lord, Redeemer, and Liberator, Jesus the Christ.

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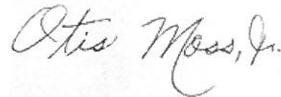
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*“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.” Ephesians 6:12, 13*



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