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A nation without faith in God does not become free, neither advances further as a civilization. Only in this way we can assure for our children the heavenly inheritance, the only one true inheritance which truly remains even after death.

Otherwise we are doomed to linger between our passions, defeated and enslaved by our own desires. The one who doesn't need anything material is the one who is free. The ones who learn to die will be free.

Be warned though that nobody is born like this: God doesn't give the hardest battles to His toughest soldiers. He creates His toughest soldiers through the hardest battles.

Based on Theodoros Kolokotronis, Metr. Chrysostomos of Patra, Seneca

The Metropolitan Chrysostomos of Patra serving the Divine Liturgy in the Chapel of Paramythia, Vatopedi monastery, Mount Athos.

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