



**Canada 150**

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*Blessed is the Nation whose God is the Lord*

Psalm 33:12 (NKJV)

*He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth...Blessed be the Lord God...Who only does wondrous things! And blessed be His glorious name forever! And let the whole earth be filled with His glory. Amen and Amen.* Psalm 72:8,18-19 (NKJV)

Unknown to many Canadians is the role of faith in the vision of the founding of the Nation. **Where did the influence of faith evidence itself?**

1. Our Name

*He shall have dominion also from sea to sea...* Psalm 72:8 (NKJV)

2. Our Flag

*The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.* Revelation 22:2 (NKJV)

3. Our Crest / Motto

*...from sea to sea...* Psalm 72:8 (NKJV)

4. Our Parliament Buildings

*Give the King Your judgments, O God, and Your righteousness to the King's Son.* Psalm 72:1 (NKJV)

*Where there is no vision, the People perish...* Proverbs 29:18 (KJV)

5. Our National Anthem

Ruler supreme, who hearest humble prayer,  
Hold our Dominion in thy loving care;  
Help us to find, O God, in thee  
A lasting, rich reward,  
As waiting for the better Day,  
We ever stand on guard. (Verse 4)

*Chorus:*

God keep our land, glorious and free.  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee!

**How can we "Stand on guard for thee" as we celebrate 150 years?**

1. Pray for our Nation.

*I urge you, first of all, to pray for all people. Ask God to help them; intercede on their behalf, and give thanks for them. Pray this way for kings and all who are in authority so that we can live peaceful and quiet lives marked by godliness and dignity.* 1 Timothy 2:1-2 (NLT)

2. Participate in Public Discourse

*"King Nebuchadnezzar, please accept my advice. Stop sinning and do what is right. Break from your wicked past and be merciful to the poor. Perhaps then you will continue to prosper."* Daniel 4:27 (NLT)

3. Represent Christ in Word and Deed

*"You are the light of the world - like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden...In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."* Matthew 5:14,16 (NLT)