July 4, 1776. The Continental Congress declared that the thirteen American colonies regarded themselves as a new nation, the United States of America, and were no longer part of the British Empire.

Regarded themselves a new nation

When we turn to Christ we become new

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV)
17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

We start new spiritually (become born again) when we confess our faith in Jesus

John 3:3-5

Ephesians 2:8 (NKJV) 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,

Romans 10:9-10 (NKJV)

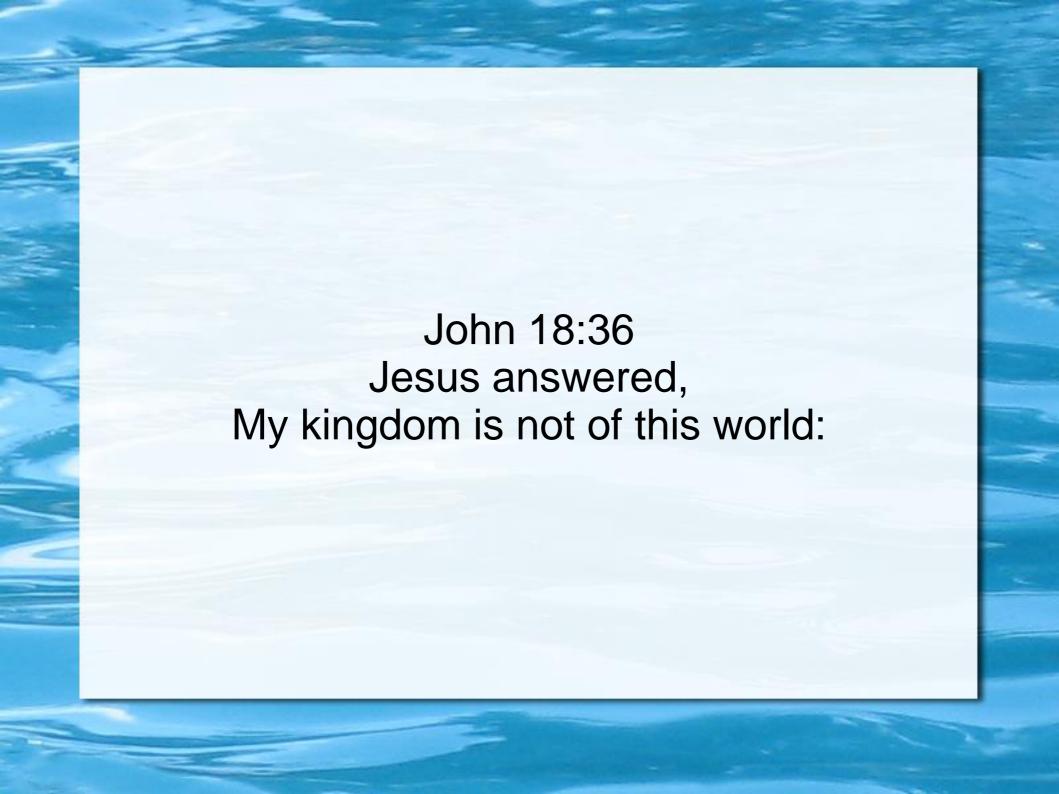
9 that if you confess with your mouth the Lord
Jesus and believe in your heart that God has
raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

10 For with the heart one believes unto
righteousness, and with the mouth confession
is made unto salvation.

Just like the United States leaving Britain and starting a new Nation we must separate from the Kingdom of this world and start new in Gods kingdom

2 Corinthians 6:17 (NKJV) 17 Therefore "Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you"

Just like America is no longer part of British Empire and its rule, we are no longer a part of the kingdom of this world and its rule



1 John 2:15-17 (NKJV)

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

16 For all that is in the world the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. 17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

Romans 12:2 (NKJV)
2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.



When you come to Jesus, you declare your independence from the world and live in the newness of the Kingdom of God

John 14:15-17 (NKJV)

15 "If you love Me, keep My commandments. 16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever

17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

Luke 4:16-19 (NKJV)