

THE LORDSHIP OF CHRIST, THE AUTHORITY OF GOVERNMENTS

...AND THE CHRISTIAN'S ROLE IN POLITICS

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS:

#1 *Our P C Is In H. Phil.3:20, 1 Pet.2:11, 2 Cor.5:20, Mtt.10:16, Acts 5:29, Mtt.10:32, Jn.18:36, Psm.33:12, 1Jn.3:2,.

#2 *I Am, Biblically Obligated To C with and to P In Government Activities, Providing They D N C With Or Supersede My F. (Taxes, Rights, Protests, Privileges, Prayers,) Mtt.22:21, Rom.13:1-7; Acts 16:37, 22:25, ch25; 1Tim. 2, Titus. 3;

A note on persecution: Matt.5:10; Acts 5:29, Rom.13:1-7,

QUESTIONS & IMPLICATIONS FOR THE CHRISTIAN:

“How Much Involvement Can And Should Christians Participate In Government?”

1. T ?

2. V ?

3. R for O ?

4. P L or Ordinances?

5. P -Based Voting? (Character, Conduct, Deeds, Morality, Personality, Policy, etc.)

6. A Candidate's R Regarding Matters B A ?

Prov.14:34 Righteousness exalts a nation,
But sin is a [a]reproach to any people.

TO EVERY NATION

PSALM 33:8-22 NKJV

Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. *For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast. *The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect. *The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart to all generations. *Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, The people He has chosen as His own inheritance. *The LORD looks from heaven; He sees all the sons of men. *From the place of His dwelling He looks On all the inhabitants of the earth; *He fashions their hearts individually; He considers all their works.

*No king is saved by the multitude of an army; A mighty man is not delivered by great strength. *A horse is a vain hope for safety; Neither shall it deliver any by its great strength. *Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him, On those who hope in His mercy, *To deliver their soul from death, And to keep them alive in famine. *Our soul waits for the LORD; He is our help and our shield. *For our heart shall rejoice in Him, Because we have trusted in His holy name. *Let Your mercy, O LORD, be upon us, Just as we hope in You.

A CHRISTIAN'S PRE & POST ELECTION PERSPECTIVE

1. Trust God fully and solely. (Ps 119:114) You are my hiding place, my shield; I hope in Your word.) **Ps. 22:28** - dominion belongs to the LORD...

2. Have Courage in the Face of Difficult Times. (Josh 1:9) Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.") *If indeed Christian principles are the strength of our nation and foundation for the lord's blessings, then we must be even more awakened to our daily duty.*

3. Be Diligent in Prayer. (Ps 145:18) The LORD is near to all who call upon Him, ... in truth.

Jer 33:3 - *Call to Me, and I will answer you, Matt 7:7-11* -- "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you...., how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him! **Mark 11:24** -- Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them. **James 5:16** *The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.*

Prayer Points: a) for God to guide their hearts. b) for "God's will."

c) for the US to look to God. d) for God's blessings.

4. Always Maintain Faith: (Ps 43:5) Why [is my soul] cast down? Hope in God; For I shall yet praise Him, The help of my countenance and my God.

5. Teach "as you go". (Matt 28:18-20) "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 **Go** therefore and make disciples of all the nations... **teaching**; **poreuomai (por-yoo-om-ahee); to traverse, travel, go one's way** them to observe all things that I have commanded you.

7 PRE & POST-ELECTION FACTS:

1. The Gospel remains true.
2. Prayer for God's will remains best.
3. God continues to work in people's lives.
4. The Bible still has all the answers.
5. God still pours out blessings upon His people.
6. There is still room at the Cross.
7. Jesus still saves the lost who come to Him.

Bonus Points: (Dan.2) (Acts 17:26)

*God moves within human events, yet is far more concerned about the individual decisions & hearts of men & women to be part of His everlasting Kingdom. **(Phil.3:20)** *So our primary concern is making sure that *what God wants for our lives is also what we want.* (**Mt.5:5**)