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*Their perverted hearts plot evil, and they constantly stir up trouble. But they will be destroyed suddenly, broken in an instant beyond all hope of healing. There are six things the Lord hates—no, seven things He detests: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, **hands that kill the innocent**, a heart that plots evil, feet that race to do wrong, a false witness who pours out lies, a person who sows discord in a family.*

Homosexuality is a sin. Leviticus 20:13; Jude 7; and Romans 1:26-28; 1 Corinthians 6:9-10:

*If a man practices **homosexuality**, having sex with another man as with a woman, both men have committed a detestable act. They **must both be put to death**, for they are guilty of a capital offense.*

*And don't forget Sodom and Gomorrah and their neighboring towns, which were filled with immorality and every kind of sexual perversion. Those cities were destroyed by fire and serve as a warning of the **eternal fire of God's judgment**.*

*That is why God abandoned them to their shameful desires. Even the women turned against the natural way to have sex and instead indulged in sex with each other. And the men, instead of having normal sexual relations with women, burned with lust for each other. Men did shameful things with other men, and **as a result of this sin**, they suffered within themselves the **penalty** they deserved. Since they thought it foolish to acknowledge God, He abandoned them to their foolish thinking and let them do things that should never be done.*

*Don't you realize that those who do wrong will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Don't fool yourselves. Those who indulge in sexual sin, or who worship idols, or commit adultery, or are male prostitutes, or practice **homosexuality**, or are thieves, or greedy people, or drunkards, or are abusive, or cheat people—**none of these will inherit the Kingdom of God**.*

The Word is clear, when we by our vote align ourselves with those who God has pronounced judgment on and with the sin He hates, we are placing ourselves under the wrath of God which will be visited on those who disobey His commands. Colossians 3:6; Proverbs 1:24-33:

*Because of these sins, **the anger of God is coming**.*

*"I called you so often, but you wouldn't come. I reached out to you, but you paid no attention. You ignored My advice and rejected the correction I offered. So, I will laugh when you are in trouble! I will mock you when disaster overtakes you—when calamity overtakes you like a storm, when disaster engulfs you like a cyclone, and anguish and distress overwhelm you. "When they cry for help, I will not answer. Though they anxiously search for Me, they will not find Me. For they hated knowledge and chose not to fear the Lord. They rejected My advice and paid no attention when I corrected them. Therefore, they must eat the bitter fruit of living their own way, choking on their own schemes. For simpletons turn away from Me—to death. Fools are destroyed by their own complacency. **But all who listen to Me will live in peace, untroubled by fear of harm.**"*

VOTE THE WORD OF GOD!

Welcome!

November 3rd, 2024



"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so they can have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way."

SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM
Unity in Prayer & Youth: 6:00 – 7:00 PM
Wednesday – Bible Study: 7:00 PM; Kid's Club
Prayer ½ hour before services

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wednesday Bible Study – we continue our study of the Rapture of the church.

Flagging Class – Wednesdays, at 6:00 PM prior to our Bible study. Special thanks to all the participants of this praise ministry.

Women's Ministry – Friday, November 22nd at 6:00 P.M. here at the church. We encourage all ladies to attend.

Thanksgiving Dinner – please plan to join us for a fellowship dinner following our morning service, Sunday, November 24th. Please plan to attend and to bring something. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer to indicate what you want to bring. We will join together to thank God for all He has given us.

Ladies Christmas Party – Friday, December 6th at 6:00 P.M. here at the church. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer so we can plan. For any questions, please see Caroline Zeyak.

Christmas Program Rehearsal – Saturday, December 14th at 11:00 A.M. here at the church. Please be on time!

Christmas Program – Sunday, December 15th at 10:30 A.M. Let's invite family and friends to enjoy what the Lord will do.

Kid's Club Christmas Party – Wednesday, December 18th at 7:00 P.M.

Operation Christmas Child – boxes are due the 24th of November. See the bulletin insert for more information.

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PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

A question comes to mind now that we are so close to the final days of our elections, this coming Tuesday, November 5th. **On what should I base my vote decision?**

As Christians, our responsibility is to always and, in every case, base our decisions on the Word of God. How does this work when it comes to our elections? The Word has good advice for us as for all those who down through the ages have loved God and His Word in James 4:4; Jeremiah 7:23 and 1 John 5:3 (New Living Translation):

⁴ *You adulterers don't you realize that **friendship with the world** makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: if you want to be a friend of the world, **you make yourself an enemy of God.***

²³ *This is what I told them: **'Obey me, and I will be your God, and you will be my people. Do everything as I say, and all will be well!'***

³ *Loving God means **keeping His commandments**, and His commandments are not burdensome.*

Any principle, philosophy, culture or words that go against God's Word cannot be supported by anyone who claims to be a Christian. Remember, God's Word and Jesus are synonymous as stated in John 1:1:

*In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the **Word was God.***

The logical and Scriptural outcome is that my vote must agree with the Word of God and I cannot vote for anyone or anything that violates the expressed Word of God. God commanded the destruction of the Canaanites for two main reasons. In first place, **they offered their children to their gods in sacrifice** which mirrors abortions today. In second place, **they tolerated and supported homosexuality**. Any politician that agrees with these two sins cannot be supported with our votes, for to vote for him or her, we are agreeing with these sins which God hates and we are making ourselves the enemies of God. 1 John 2:3-6:

*And we can be sure that **we know Him** if we **obey His commandments**. If someone claims, "I know God," but doesn't **obey God's commandments**, that person is a liar and is not living in the truth. But those who **obey God's Word** truly show how completely they love Him. That is how we know we are living in Him. Those who say they live in God **should live their lives as Jesus did.***

Abortion kills what God has made; it is an act against God Himself. Psalm 139:13-16; Proverbs 6:14-19:

***You made** all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. Thank You for making me so wonderfully complex! **Your workmanship** is marvelous—how well I know it. You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. **You saw me before I was born.** Every day of my life was recorded in Your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed.*

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