

A TIME OF REFLECTION

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For the first time since this article has been published for use in churches, this year you will see information leading up to the general election scheduled in early November. Here are some reasons.

1. It does not matter if you are Democrat or Republican; you are a thinking human being. You deserve dignity and respect no matter what others believe. As Christians *our thinking must line up with the Word of God.*
2. I believe that we all care about right and wrong and truth and justice. Those are respected values we all share. *Our core views must line up with the Word of God.*
3. In spite of wounds and wars, the United States has survived because of our Constitution, because we respect those with whom we disagree. *But most importantly, we are founded on the principles of the Word of God.*
4. Like you, I'm a thinking human being, and this election has me concerned enough to address it.

I honor the differences of opinion of those who read these words, but now I must ask the readers to respect what above all the Word of God.

Politically, in this election we have one contender who has blatantly lied about what they believe to get elected, and who will do the opposite if they win. Unfortunately, that's the truth everyone needs to grasp. Always consider history as the ruler for what will happen in the future if they are elected.

We could say, *"Thank you, God, for pulling back the veil and letting us see the truth,"* but I doubt that will make much of a difference. Many Americans hear clever sounding phrases and see a constant smile instead. So, does it matter? To your children and grandchildren, yes, it does. To everyone struggling to pay today's prices, yes, it does.

In the coming weeks, I will address several issues of moral standing, because, yes, it matters. From now to the election, we will examine what God's Word says about our support. Let's start with 1 Samuel 12:14-16 (English Standard Version):

If you will fear the Lord and serve Him and obey His voice and not rebel against the commandment of the Lord, and if both you and the king who reigns over you will follow the Lord your God, it will be well. But if you will not obey the voice of the Lord, but rebel against the commandment of the Lord, then the hand of the Lord will be against you and your king. Now therefore stand still and see this great thing that the Lord will do before your eyes.

Welcome!

September 22nd, 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

. BLESSINGS FROM A PRIEST

TEXT: Ephesians 1:3-10; Hebrews 7:15 – 8:6

Our High Priest has all _____ and _____ at His command!

1. _____ PRIESTHOODS – Genesis 14:16, 18, 19-20; Hebrews 7:1-3, 14; Numbers 6:23-26

“I will _____ you with my blood. I will _____ for you before the Father, and I will come out and _____ you!”

The blessing was backed by the full _____ of God! Numbers 6:27

When Jesus our High Priest blesses, He does not just _____ us good, He pronounces His blessing with _____ – and it is done!

2. OUR LORD JESUS _____ IN BLESSING HIS PEOPLE! Luke 12:32; 14:13-14; 24:45-53 Matthew 5:3-11

We'll never be _____ of God's blessings, because no one _____ His blessings. Matthew 7:11

3. OF _____! Galatians 3:9; James 2:22-23

A. The _____ that we are justified by _____! Galatians 3:13-14

This blessing is the knowledge that Jesus _____ with His _____ the blotting out of all our _____. Romans 4:6-8

B. _____ in the Lord to be our _____. Genesis 15:1

C. _____ Are Being _____ Through Us! Genesis 22:17-18; Psalm 109:28; Matthew 5:43-48

D. Those who are being blessed are being _____ ever _____ to the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wednesday Bible Study – we continue our new study, “The Great Disappearance” – Rapture of the church, taken from Dr. David Jeremiah’s study. We have student study guides available for \$10 each. Please see the Pastor for more details.

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

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