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## Contributions

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\$10,121.00



## 9 Post-Election Things I Know



Too Early To Call” was the news caption on key battleground states when I turned off the TV last night.

This morning I awoke to the same caption. Neither President Trump nor Joe Biden has captured enough delegates to truly claim victory. While each is obviously hopeful the outcome still hangs in the balance. It’s still undecided. We don’t know. And may not know for a few days.

The political pundits are perplexed over the unknown factors that have made this election the most unusual in American history. Even the experts don’t know how this is going to end.

However, there are some post-election things I know.

### #1 God still rules and reigns.

Regardless of the final count and who occupies the White House, God still resides on His Throne (Ps. 47:8). He providentially rules in the world’s affairs. He is the Supreme Ruler of heaven and earth. The Judge of the nations. And The One to be worshiped.

### #2 Our election is more important than our national election.

While this election may be very important, some say monumental, there is an even more important election. One of greater significance. Of personal relevance. Of eternal implications.

It’s our spiritual election. The apostle Peter warned us not to miss out on this election. “Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to make your calling and election sure, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall” (2 Pet 1:10). This text reminds us of the spiritual virtues that ought to be cultivated day by day. Continued inside

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### Prayer List 11/02/2020

Matthew Bruce deployed until April 2021

Tom & Debbie Sutherland

Ollie Robinson - Baptist South for tests

Lynn Turner finger surgery 10/29

Libby Darnell, widow of James Darnell, Jr.

John DeMas' mother,..... Janet - Janie Brewer - arthritis in her knees.

Phyllis Lauer - severe headaches.....Marsha Williamson .....Beth Beasley (Marsha's

sister ) - fractured shoulder, COPD, Hospice....Patricia Lange (Carrie Puckett's

mother) - Finishing last chemo soon - Feeling low ....Agnes Kochik - (Ron's

mother) - stroke recovery...Susan Kochik - (Ron's niece) - chemo

### **#3 Our loyalty to the Lord has greater significance than our political allegiance.**

Our #1 loyalty is not to men. Or fleshly relationships. Or political parties. It is to our Lord Jesus Christ. He calls us to be committed to His Word. His will. And His way.

### **#4 Our duty to civil authority continues regardless of the party in power.**

The Bible commands Christians to honor civil rulers. To submit to their authority for the Lord's sake. And to render to each what is fair and just. And most importantly, we need to pray for whoever is elected President as well as all national and local authorities.

"Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence." (1Tim. 2:1-2)

### **#5 Our responsibilities to our families remain unchanged.**

In recent years we've witnessed an increased attack on the traditional family unit. We all deplore the disrespect for the sanctity of life. And abhor the moral degradation so pervasive in our society. Yet none of that may be changed by a new President or Congress.

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### **#6 Our relationship to fellow Believers should take priority over secular ties.**

The unity of Believers should not be divided over political views. Remember that among the 12 apostles Jesus chose Simon the Zealot, who advocated the overthrow of Rome, and Matthew, tax collector, who collected taxes for the government Simon despised. However, their call to Christ superseded their personal and political ambitions.

God unites us in a deeper relationship. "We belong to one another" (Rom 12:5) in Christ. Accordingly, we must accept one another (Rom. 14:1). Serve one another (Gal 5:13). And love one another (Jn 13:33-34).

### **#7 Our obligation to help others continues.**

We may hold to different views about the role of government in helping people, but there should be no disagreement that Christians should care about their fellow man. We are commanded "to do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of Believers" (Gal. 6:10).

### **#8 Our calling to live righteously will be paramount regardless of the political, social, or cultural climate.**

In a world deceived by the devil, we are called to a knowledge of the truth. In a world darkened by sin, we are called to be light. In a world defiled by immorality, we are called to holiness and purity (1 Jn. 2:15-17). We must, as Peter put it "have our conduct honorable among the Gentiles" (1 Pet. 2:12).

### **#9 Our mission to share His Message should remain our top priority.**

It's too easy to get caught up in a mission to promote personal interests. Our main purpose on earth is not about services clubs. Or social services. Or educational advancement. Or political activism. While none of those are wrong within themselves, we have a higher calling. A heavenly calling.

Let us share Jesus' message of life and light with a lost world. Let's be ready to give an answer for our faith. And let's lovingly and accurately articulate that message to lost souls.

Brethren, the power for real change is in the gospel, not politics. Our faith is founded in Christ, not the wisdom of men. And the true hope of the Believer is not found in Washington, but in Heaven.

Don't be dismayed by life's uncertainties. By unpredictable human events. Or what you don't know. Place your faith, hope, and trust in what you do know.

-Ken Weliever, The Preacherman