



KEYS TO REMEMBER ABOUT ELECTION RESULTS

Should you be concerned about election results? Although it can certainly be easy to be worried and fearful as our religious freedoms continue to be tested, we as Christians should not be scared, anxious, or feeling hopeless over who is in the White House for the next four years. Our Christian duties continue regardless of who holds this position. Here are some key reminders for every believer to keep in mind.

1. – God is still on the throne.

Ultimately the party currently controlling the White House doesn't change what really matters – that God is in control. God is in CONTROL. Nothing happens in the world, let alone politics in the United States, without God's authorization. Paul makes this abundantly clear in Romans 13:1: "Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God." God didn't just allow each appointed President – according to Romans, he ordained each and every one of them. Sometimes God's decisions won't make sense to us, but that doesn't change the truth that the Bible has proclaimed. So, when you begin to feel stressed, remind yourself first: God is still in control.

2. – The United States, while beautiful and the greatest country on earth, is not our final home.

We here at the Christian Law Association are proud patriots of the United States of America and treasure the religious freedom that has been such an integral part of our nation. However, it is vital that we Christians do not forget – we are citizens of Heaven. Philippians 3:20 explains where our citizenship truly lies: "For our conversation is in heaven, from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ." In the grand scheme of things, our time on earth is not just brief – it is infinitesimal compared to the eternity awaiting us. There's only one Ruler there, and no votes are needed. Remember the old song next time election results begin

to dwell in your mind:

"This world is not my home, I'm just a passing through..."

3. – Fretting about anything is wrong.

Consider what you are doing when you let the stress of an election affect your spirit. Worrying is a sin. Believers are to continually take our thoughts and emotions into captivity and practice temperance. The more that someone allows himself to express frustrations and anger over election results, the more he fails to focus on issues that eternally matter. Paul reminded us in Philippians 4:6: "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Focusing too much on politics can lead to obsession and worry. Remember to take time each day to clear your head from politics and focus on what matters – the Scriptures.

4. – Place all your hope in Christ.

The hope of every believer is not on anything in this world. The Bible says that our hope is in God, and He alone should be where our reliance resides. The United States holds elections often, and on each occasion, God is fully in control. Our hope resides in our Savior Jesus Christ, Who is the same yesterday, today, and forever. We can cast all our cares on the Creator of the universe.

So what is the solution? It is of course important who we as Christians vote for, and it is vital that every Christian let their voice be heard in the election. However, regardless of the results, the real end result is the same: Jesus Christ is still our Savior, and Heaven still awaits us.

In the meantime, remember Psalm 43:5. "Why art thou cast down, O my soul? And why art thou disquieted within me? Hope in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God."

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