



SOWING SEEDS for the *Kingdom*



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WE NEED TO BE GOOD STEWARDS

First of all, let me give thanks to David Barton, founder and president of WallBuilders. His research and expertise in sharing information on the relationship of the U.S. Constitution, its' founders and the relationship to the Word of God is priceless. So, having said that let's get into the subject for this month.

Psalm 33:12 (KJV)

¹² Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

On November 8th, 2022, the U.S. will be holding "mid-term" elections. All 435 seats of the House are up for election, and 35 of the 100 seats in the Senate are on the ballots. Also, Gubernatorial elections will be held for 39 states and territories. The balance of power in Congress will be affected by these elections, which in turn will affect us.

Psalm 119:130 (KJV)

¹³⁰ The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

In this dark time of corruption, the entrance of God's WORD brings LIGHT! The founding fathers believed that we stand before God and give an account concerning everything we think, say and do. Stewardship is important to God giving and voting. There are many places in the Constitution that contain biblical truths.

We need to judge political platforms and politicians by the WORD OF GOD! We shouldn't separate what appears to be secular from spiritual. In the 1800s, Charles Finney wrote how to have revival in America: *"The Church must take right ground in*

regard to politics. Politics are part of a religion in a country as this, and Christians must do their duty to their country as a part of their duty to God.” He went on to say: *“God will bless or curse this nation according to course Christians take in politics.”* (From *Revival Lecture #1, 5 “Hindrances to Revival.”*) Finney realized that if you want to PREVENT revival in your nation, stay out of politics. In Finney’s time, voting was a DUTY not an option!

We will be given account of everything we think, say and do. See 2nd Corinthians 10:5; Mathew 12:36; and Hebrews 4:13. One day we will stand before God and give an account for what we have done. One day God may say something like: “I gave you life, what did you do with it?” “I gave you family what did you do with it?” “I gave you possessions what did you do with them?” “I gave you your country, what did you do with it?”

People with Biblical values VOTE! Stewardship is a biblical concept. We have to understand it and get engaged with the process of government. I believe that voting is a serious thing with the Lord. It is our RESPONSIBILITY AS BELIEVERS!

It is estimated that there are **40 MILLION** unregistered evangelical Christians, they have the ability to CHANGE THE NATION! Add that to the enormous amount of professing Christians that choose to not even vote or vote their “feelings,” “party,” or “personality” when they cast their ballot...we need to sincerely pray and vote according to the Word of God...THINK OF THE RESULTS!

The members of the Constitutional Convention were men who knew the Bible; most of them were Christians. Many of the concepts in the Constitution are BASED on biblical values. It is our duty to KNOW THE PLATFORMS of the political parties and the VALUES of the men and women who are on the ballot. What they believe, they will support in their official positions.

We need to see political issues as biblical issues. Vote in line with THE WORD of God. John Quincy Adams was an amazing person. After his presidential term ended, he was elected to the House of Representatives with the objective of ending slavery. At that time, only 20% of the members were anti-slavery. He was asked, “Why do you speak out so strongly?” His reply was, “Duty is ours; results are God’s.” In other words, “I’m not responsible for how it turns out, I’m responsible for doing my job.” John Quincy Adams didn’t see the end of slavery, but he mentored a man in the House who did--Abraham Lincoln!

Recently in Virginia, out of the 312 churches, 7700 people registered to vote. Out of these 312 churches, 1,343 determined to learn the election rules, and people got involved as election officials, and poll watchers. They found that 5.2% of the votes were fraudulent. That could be enough to change the outcome of an election. We need to cast our vote FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS!

Exodus 18:21 (KJV)

²¹ Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:

We need people in government who are able AND qualified AND are GODLY men and women. In John Adam's diary, he addressed the difference between politicians and statesmen: Politicians are in government to get what they can for themselves. Statesmen operate with integrity in public and private because they fear God.

Every person in Congress has to take an oath as they enter office. If they fear God, they will keep the oath. If they don't fear God, they might not. As I understand it, federal law REQUIRES that any witness sworn to give testimony has to take an oath and say, "So help me God" to affirm that their testimony is before God. In the 2022 session of Congress, the Democrats dropped the use of "so help me God." We NEED GOD –CONSCIOUS people in Congress who will keep their oath and do the right thing. But, that will only happen if we have God-conscious VOTERS who will vote for godly men and women.

Romans 13:1 (KJV)

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.

I need to deal with a VERY LARGE MISUNDERSTANDING which in essence says: God is in control, so He will allow who He wants to be elected. God has ORDAINED THE OFFICES, but HE HAS NOT NECESSARILY ORDAINED THE PEOPLE THAT ARE ELECTED TO THOSE OFFICES. God has given us the responsibility to elect who WE DESIRE to elect and He will honor our choice good or bad!

One of the proofs that the Constitution is a godly document is the source of its unique ideas. A study by professors of the University of Houston said, "Let's look at who and what these 55 writers of the Constitution quoted in their speeches and

their writings. In that way, we will find where they got their ideas to write the Constitution.” They found 3,154 quotes. The SINGLE MOST source (34%) was the Bible. A total of 94% of the quotes came directly from the Bible or were related to the Bible.

The Constitution is a godly document based on the uniqueness of its language. At the Constitutional Convention in 1787, there were many factions trying to get their agendas followed. It was an occasion of combining 13 nations into one. There was much dissension. Benjamin Franklin, the least religious man at the convention, gave an off-the-cuff speech with no notes. He quoted 14 Bible verses in his speech. (Matthew 12:34), following is his speech: *“In this situation of this Assembly, groping, as it were, in the dark to find political truth, and scarce able to distinguish it when presented to us, how has it happened, Sir, that we have not hitherto once thought of humbly applying to the Father of Lights, to illuminate our understanding? In the beginning of the contest with Great Britain, when we were sensible of danger, we had daily prayer in this room for Divine protection. Our prayers were heard, and they were graciously answered. All of us engaged in the struggle must have observed frequent instances of a superintending Providence in our favor. And now we have forgotten this powerful Friend? Or do we imagine we no longer need His assistance? I have lived, Sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth—that God governs the affairs of men. If a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid? We have been assured in the Sacred Writings that ‘except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.’ I firmly believe this; and I firmly believe without His concurring aid we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel, and we shall become a reproach and a byword down to future ages. I therefore beg leave to move that, henceforth, prayers employing the assistance of Heaven and its blessing on our deliberation be held in this assembly every morning before we proceed to business.”*

MAY GOD BLESS THE USA AS WE VOTE RIGHTEOUSLY IN JESUS NAME!

Kathy and I so appreciate your prayers and faithfulness to the ministry; TOGETHER we are accomplishing all that God has called us to do! We call you BLESSED IN JESUS NAME!

*Pastor Don
MAT. 6:33*

Sister Kathy

Remember above all that *You* are **Loved**, *You* are **Welcome** and *You* **Belong**.

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2020 PARTY PLATFORMS SUMMARY*

A Nonpartisan Party Platform Comparison Summary

ISSUES	DEMOCRAT	LIBERTARIAN	REPUBLICAN
LIFE & ABORTION	"...every woman should have access to...safe and legal abortion. We will repeal the Title X domestic gag rule and restore federal funding for Planned Parenthood. We will repeal the Hyde Amendment, and protect and codify the right to reproductive freedom."	"...government should be kept out of the matter, leaving the question to each person for their conscientious consideration."	"all" are 'endowed by their Creator' with the inalienable right to life...we assert the sanctity of human life and... that the unborn child has a fundamental right to life which cannot be infringed. We support a human life amendment to the Constitution..."
MARRIAGE & SEXUALITY	"Democrats applaud this year's U.S. Supreme Court decision that made clear that employment discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity violates the law. We will ensure that all transgender and non-binary people can procure official government identification documents that accurately reflect their gender identity."	"Sexual orientation, preference, gender, or gender identity should have no impact on the government's treatment of individuals. Consenting adults should be free to choose their own sexual practices and personal relationships."	"...the cornerstone of the family is natural marriage, the union of one man and one woman. [We oppose the imposition of] a social and cultural revolution upon the American people by wrongly redefining sex discrimination...reshaping]... our entire society - to fit the mold of an ideology alien to America's history and traditions."
ISRAEL & FOREIGN POLICY	"Democrats recognize the worth of every Israeli and every Palestinian. We support a negotiated two-state solution that ensures Israel's future as a Jewish and democratic state with recognized borders and upholds the right of Palestinians."	No comment on Israel... "Our foreign policy should emphasize defense against attack... end... military and economic aid."	"We reaffirm America's commitment to Israel's security and will ensure that Israel maintains a qualitative military edge over any and all adversaries."
HEALTHCARE	"We must guarantee health care not as a privilege for some, but as a right for every single American. For a century, Democrats have fought to secure universal health care."	"We favor a free-market health care system... freedom of individuals to determine the level of health insurance they want... including end-of-life decisions."	"Any honest agenda for improving healthcare must start with repeal of the dishonestly named Affordable Care Act of 2010: Obamacare."
IMMIGRATION & BORDERS	"Democrats support policies and programs to make it easier for qualified immigrants and their families to become full and equal citizens, including increasing funding for culturally appropriate immigrant inclusion and citizenship services, legal support, English classes and bilingual education, workforce development, and adult education. ...it is long past time to provide a roadmap to citizenship for the millions of undocumented..."	"Economic freedom demands the unrestricted movement... across national borders."	"Our party is the natural home for those who come in search of freedom and justice. The greatest asset of the American economy is the American worker. Our immigration system must protect American working families and their wages, for citizens and legal immigrants alike, in a way that will improve the economy. Our highest priority must be...to secure our borders and ports of entry and to enforce our immigration laws."
RELIGIOUS FREEDOM	"Democrats celebrate America's history of religious pluralism and tolerance, and recognize the countless acts of service of our faith communities, as well as the paramount importance of maintaining the separation between church and state enshrined in our Constitution."	"We favor the freedom to engage in or abstain from any religious activities that do not violate the rights of others. We oppose government actions which either aid or attack any religion."	"We value the right of America's religious leaders to preach, and Americans to speak freely, according to their faith. Republicans believe the federal government, specifically the IRS, is constitutionally prohibited from policing or censoring speech based on religious convictions or beliefs..."
ENVIRONMENT	"Climate change is a global emergency. We have no time to waste in taking action to protect Americans' lives and futures. Democrats believe we must embed environmental justice, economic justice, and climate justice at the heart of our policy and governing agenda."	"Protecting the environment requires a clear definition and enforcement of... responsibilities regarding... land, water, air..."	"As the pioneer of environmentalism a century ago, [we affirm] the moral obligation to be good stewards of the God-given natural beauty and resources... [P]rivate ownership has been the best guarantee of conscientious stewardship... some of the worst instances of degradation have occurred under government control."

Sources:

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*This non-partisan information contains direct quotes from respective 2020 Party Platforms. You are encouraged to do independent research.