THE CANDIDATES THEIR COURSES THE CONSEQUENCES

We are voting for people whose governing directly and indirectly affects our daily lives. Consider the concerns: the economy, the media, Congress, taxes, socialism, global interactions, responsible immigration, fuel, court decisions, the surrender of healthy social and moral values, etc. The pressures are to discard that very special foundation upon which our nation rests. Consider also

the war that is being waged from within and from without against our historic American heritage. It requires a serious effort, like that of our FOUNDING FATHERS, to change back to the good prac-

tices of moral sense, common sense, business sense, legal sense, educational sense, social sense, etc. We are reaping the consequences of our CONDUCT which is but the expression of our CHARACTER.

Character is essential in rightly resolving our conditions. The consequences of indifference, tolerance, false hope, unprofitable anxiety and anger will not be a new deal. Such will be a bad deal. Where the candidates stand is revealed by what they vote for and what they promote. But all that is voted for needs not to be disappointing. At the very least, let there be a voting for the good governing of one's heart. God's rightful righteous rule seeks one's decision to receive God's saving grace. We either vote for the direction of rightness or for the direction of wrongness. Consider:

A "NO" VOTE IN THE PAST

The elders of Israel said to Samuel: "Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations. And the **LORD** said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me that I should not reign over them" (1 Samuel 8:5,7). "Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar" (John 19:15).

A "NO" VOTE IN THE PRESENT

"This know also, that in the last days perilous [difficult] times shall come, for men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers... lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God, having an [outward] form of godliness, but denying the POWER thereof [that power and life that makes for inward reality]: from such turn away... But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived" (2 Timothy 3:1-5,13;4:3-4). "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools" (Romans 1:22).

YOUR VOTE?

"I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore

choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live, That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey His voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto Him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days" (Deuteronomy 30:19-20). The Lord Jesus said, "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life" (John 5:39-40). "And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent" (John 17:3).

God's proven record of grace and mercy, rightness and truth, is ours to know. "As for God, His way is perfect: the Word of the LORD is tried: He is a buckler [shield] to all those that trust in Him" (Psalm 18:30). "Look unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else" (Isaiah 45:22). "For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed" (Romans 10:11).

WILL IT BE <u>NO</u> OR <u>YES</u> TO GOD, HIS WORD AND HIS SAVING GRACE IN THE PERSON OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST? CAST A <u>YES</u> VOTE TODAY!

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