

Ten Election-Proof Truths of the Christian

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This is the last of six sermons that were preached to address the Voting Christian for this upcoming election. There is nowhere in the Bible that says the Christian has to vote. If we choose to vote for our leaders and Jesus as our number #1 leader, then it would behoove us to make our political decisions based on what the Bible says about the issues rather than our feelings. That is why we covered what the Bible teaches about abortion, for God is a God of life, not infanticide in the womb. We covered education and the fact that God wants us to pass on transcended values from Him. When covering fiscal responsibility, the Bible is clear about running up monstrous debts and heaping them on the backs of our children and grandchildren. We also covered the importance of the candidate to not only live a good marriage, but to support healthy marriage laws with healthy marriage policies to keep one man with one wife in the bonds of holy matrimony. These are just a few of the issues that should be important to the Voting Christian.

Now for the last lesson in the series of lessons: “Ten Election-Proof Truths of the Christian”. Because no single of the candidates perfectly fits the model of Jesus Christ, no matter who is voted into office for President and Vice-President, there will be some disappointments. In fact, I will boldly say that if you have found all that you are looking for in the candidate, you will be extremely disappointed. All candidates break promises, but not Jesus. All candidates will error, but not Jesus. You had better be putting all your “Spiritual Eggs” into one Basket and that Basket best be Jesus.

In light of that, no matter who is elected when the change of office takes place and men waver from then on out, to the Christian there are certain things that will not change.

1. The Bible will still be true.

It does not matter who is voted in for President in the election, the Bible will still be true.

- Luke 21:33 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away."
- Prov 30:5 Every word of God is tested; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him.
- Heb 4:12 For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

It is the word of God that we are to pray for a President (1 Tim 2:1-4) and condemn the sinful actions of leaders gone astray (Matt 14:3). The White House will be changing, but the Bible will still be true.

2. God will still be on the throne.

It does not matter who is seated in the White House come January, for God will still be on the throne in heaven. When Stephen was about to be stoned in Acts the seventh chapter, he had burned in his mind God on the throne and Jesus the right-hand man (Acts 7:56). We ought also have the same mindset of knowing that God is on the throne and in power.

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- Rev 4:2 Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne was standing in heaven, and One sitting on the throne.
- Ps 45:6 Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever; a scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Thy kingdom.
- Ps 47:8 God reigns over the nations, God sits on His holy throne.

It does not matter how this election turns out in the end, for God will not be removed from His throne seat of power. This is an election-proof truth.

3. Jesus will still be Risen from the Grave.

Many great leaders and poor leaders have assumed high positions of power throughout the centuries. Some of them were called Pharaoh, some Caesar, some Herod and even some called President, but all have a grave that awaits them in the end. Death is the great equalizer for all people, adding importance to the great equalizer of death, Jesus. HE BEAT THE GRAVE!

- Acts 2:32 "This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses.
- Luke 24:6-7 "He is not here, but He has risen. Remember how He spoke to you while He was still in Galilee, 7 saying that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again."
- Phil 3:10-11 "...that I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; 11 in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead."
- 1 Pet 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

It does not matter who assumes the highest office on the planet, that carpenter's tomb is still empty and we still have hope. He is RISEN and that is an election-proof truth.

4. The lost will still be lost.

The world is on a crash course of utter destruction for their violations to God, hence He sent Jesus to die for our sins. It does not matter who is elected mayor, congressman or President, the lost in God's eyes will still be lost, for that did not change. A lost man or woman in the eyes of God is still a lost person.

- Isa 59:2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear. (KJV)
- Matt 10:6 but rather go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.
- Luke 19:10 "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Election-proof #4: Whoever is voted into office will not change the salvation status of any soul with God.

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5. The gospel must still be preached.

It does not matter who is going to be in the White House concerning our responsibility to the lost of this world. The Bible will still be true, God will still be on the throne, Jesus will still be risen from the grave, the lost will still be lost and in need of the gospel to deliver them.

- Mark 16:15 And He <Jesus> said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.
- 1 Cor 2:2 For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.
- 1 Cor 9:16 For if I preach the gospel, I have nothing to boast of, for I am under compulsion; for woe is me if I do not preach the gospel.

Regardless of who wins the election, we have the obligation to have our feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace (Eph 6:15) in view of our participation of the gospel (Phil 1:5). As Paul said in *2 Tim 1:8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, or of me His prisoner; but join with {me} in suffering for the gospel according to the power of God*, and to not be ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God for salvation (Rom 1:16). Sharing the gospel with your lost friends and your lost relatives is an election-proof value that does not change!

6. The lost must still repent.

It does not matter who is elected President this fall for the lost will still be lost in the sins and the must repent of the sins. If there is a liberal candidate voted in that tries to loosen morality or a conservative that tries to bind it, for the lost they must repent to be right with Jesus.

- Luke 13:3 "I tell you, no, but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.
- Acts 17:30 "Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent,
- Mark 6:12 And they went out and preached that {men} should repent.
- Luke 24:46-47 and He said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and rise again from the dead the third day; 47 and that repentance for forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

To repent means to think again and then lining-up our actions with God's mind. *Rom 12:2 "...but be transformed by the renewing of your mind..."* Politicians waver back and forth, taking their own way, but we know there is only one way to think for the Christian; and that is God's way through repentance. We must emphasize repentance for the lost that hear the gospel, for it is an election-proof value.

7. The repentant must still be baptized.

It does not matter how this election turns out for the SAVED must share the truth from the One on the throne who sent His Son to be our Lord and PREACH the gospel to the LOST in hope that they will REPENT and be BAPTIZED. God was very clear before any of the candidates were candidates and well before they were born.

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- Acts 2:38 And Peter {said} to them, "Repent, and let each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- Acts 22:16 'And now why do you delay? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on His name.'
- John 3:5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

I do not care who is voted into office, there is an election-proof truth of baptism for the repentant soul that has heard the gospel. It may not be politically correct since it is the dying of the old man and the putting on of the new, but this election-proof truth must be taught and carried out in the lives of the seeking.

8. Our prayers will still reach heaven.

Sometimes an election cycle can get us all worked up and take our focus for Jesus off course. It is times like these that we need to be on our knees praying to Father, for He hears our prayers and as His children is obligated to our prayers. This is an election-proof truth that cannot be changed.

- Isa 59:1 Behold, the LORD'S hand is not so short that it cannot save; neither is His ear so dull that it cannot hear.
- Prov 15:29 The LORD is far from the wicked, but He hears the prayer of the righteous.
- Rev 8:4 And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, went up before God out of the angel's hand.

I am terrified of the social and moral difficulties that lie in wait for the coming generations in this country. We are drifting further and further to our own destruction. It is actually bigger than one man, but one man can still do a lot of damage. Isn't it nice to know that they may be able to tax us into oblivion, take the culture straight into the wrath of God, persecute the church and even someday lock us in jails for preaching the word of God, but they cannot stop our PRAYERS! The Christian's prayer ascending into God's throne room is an election-proof truth!

9. The church will still be saved.

Throughout time, the people of God have been persecuted by wicked leaders and wicked governments. During periods of the Roman Empire, God's people were tortured about their issue of faith, but God always came through. This is the apocalyptic snapshot that we see in Revelation.

- Rev 12:12-14 "For this reason, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has {only} a short time." 13 And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted

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the woman who gave birth to the male {child.} 14 And the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, in order that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

Rome and the Caesar party, Egypt and the Pharaoh party and Babylon and the Nebuchadnezzar party could not prevent salvation in the lives of God's people. Is it too much to say that the salvation of the NT people of God, the Church is safe with Jesus regardless of the election? This is an election-proof truth.

10. We will still have each other.

No matter how this election goes, we as Christians will still have each other, for we are in the same covenant. This is an election-proof truth that must be remembered as we approach the closing days of the campaign. We have each other to help one another to heaven and that is an election-proof truth that cannot be taken away.

- John 13:34 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.
- Rom 15:7 Wherefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God.
- Heb 3:13 But encourage one another day after day, as long as it is {still} called "Today," lest any one of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.
- James 5:16 Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.

In the end, what does it matter if we do not stick to the election-proof truths of the Christian?