

Sunday Morning, November 6, 2024 » Pastor Josiah Kagin

Message Title: Post-Election Reflections

Message Text: Psalm 33:12-22

Introduction:

Without a doubt, this was the most consequential election of my life time. The struggle for the direction our nation affects every nuance of our lives — home, marriage, faith, education, finances, work, medicine, food, freedom. As the election is now behind us, how should we as followers of Christ focus our energy on in this season that God has mercifully granted to us?

1. The Wonder of God's _____

AN EPIC BATTLE BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL

Ephesians 6:11–13 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. 13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

DEFINITION—WRESTLE: grappling; the act of engaging in close hand-to-hand combat.

AN EVIDENT DISPLAY OF GOD'S MERCY



Deuteronomy 21:9 So shalt thou put away the guilt of innocent blood from among you, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the Lord.

Habakkuk 3:2 O Lord, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, In the midst of the years make known; In wrath remember mercy.

Isaiah 3:4 And I will give children to be their princes, And babes shall rule over them.

Isaiah 3:12 As for my people, children are their oppressors, And women rule over them. O my people, they which lead thee cause thee to err, And destroy the way of thy paths.

2. The Worship of our

THE SONG OF MOSES — After being delivered by God at the Red Sea. (Exodus 15:1-21)

THE SONG OF DEBORAH — After defeating the General Sisera and the Canaanite Army (Judges 5)

A SONG OF PRAISE FOR GOD'S MERCY — (Psalm 136:10-15)

Psalm 107:8 Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, And for his wonderful works to the children of men!

3. The Work of God's

WHY ARE WE HERE — to engage in the complete fulfillment of the great commissions of Jesus Christ through the power of the Spirit to the glory of God.

Ephesians 4:14–15 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; 15 But speaking the <u>truth</u> in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

LIVE TRUTH

Philippians 2:14–16 Do all things without murmurings and disputings: 15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; 16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.

Ephesians 6:14 Stand therefore, <u>having your loins girt about with truth</u>, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

PUBLISH THE TRUTH

Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

UPHOLD TRUTH

1 Timothy 3:15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

STAND FOR TRUTH

Jude 3 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

Conclusion

Luke 19:13 And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.

Questions to Consider

In what way do I need to live out the truth in my life tomorrow?

To whom do I need to publish the truth this week?

In what arena of my life do I need to uphold the truth?

Is there a situation in which I need to stand for truth?

