A. With our national election only two days away, I feel called to bring a message from Scripture to give us the kind of ________ ________ God wants us to have.

B. The first point that helps us have the right perspective is: There is nothing _____ under the ____ (Eccl. 1:9; 1 Cor. 10:13).

C. As we go to the polls on Tuesday, we might be tempted to thing that the U.S. has never had an election during such ________ times as a ________.

D. We also might be tempted to think that we are living during the most ________ times in history.

E. Consider the tumultuous times Christians faced in the early ______ of the church.

F. In 2 Timothy 2:1-4, Paul was emphasizing the necessity of staying _________ on God's ________.

G. If we are going to be good ________, and if we want to please our commanding officer, then we must not get entangled in _______ life.

H. One of the greatest dangers that the church faces today is allowing our focus to shift from sharing the ________ that saves the _______ of people, to trying to change _______ and _______ through politics and social justice.

I. The purpose of the church is _______ to ________ the United States of America.

J. Leading people to reconciliation with God is our _______ and ________.

K. As Christians living in the U.S. it is always our privilege and responsibility to be “_______ and ________” and to _________ for our country and its leaders.

L. The U.S. is only ______ country among the _______ countries of the world.

M. Presently, the world is populated by ____ billion, ______ million souls.

N. The U.S. population of ______ million souls is only ____ % of world population.

O. Here is something to think about if we want to emphasize __________ citizenship more than _________ citizenship, we have more in common with heavenly citizens than we do with earthly citizens, and there are way more people who are _________ citizens.

P. In Philippians 3:17-21, Paul contrasts those who are focused on _________ things and those who are focused on _________ things.

Q. In Colossians 3:1-4, Paul encourages us to _______ and _______ our minds on things above, not on earthly things.

R. Jesus covers a lot of territory in Matthew 6:25-34, but gives two commands: (1) seek first the _________ of God; (2) do not ________.

S. Our enemy, the devil, wants us to _______ and causes _______ and _______.

T. If we seek first God’s kingdom and keep our minds focused on God, then we don’t have to be _______, because God has promised to never __________ us (Heb. 13:5-6).

U. God is in ________, even of ________ (Jn. 19:10-11; Ps. 22:28; Dan. 2:20-21).

V. Illustration of Odysseus, from Homer’s Greek mythological poem - The Odyssey - in order to being lured to death by the Siren’s song, Odysseus had his crew plug their ears with _________ and had himself ________ to the ship’s ________.

W. If we have to put wax in our ears and tie ourselves to the mast to enable us to stay focused on _________ ________, then that’s what we must do.

X. In the end, the most important question is: are you a _________ of the _________ of __________.