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THE COMING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

On Nov 3, 2020, at the time of this writing, (259 days 2-17-2020) *I believe one of the most important elections of the President of the United States will take place.* I realize that in the past there has always been a general concern as to whom the America people would or would not vote for in such an election. We are living in a time when it seems our nation is divided over the general issues that determine as to how this country should be run.

I realize that the general media and educators at the same time are trying their best to make this election more about Mr. Trump than the issues which will affect our religious freedom, the birth or death of babies as well as one’s preference when it comes to marriage. And on the other hand there, are some that will deny that our economy is working better than ever before, and that there is an increase in employment especially among the non-white sector of our population. In other words they deny that this present administration has improved the conditions of this country. It is believed by many of us that he has done more than any other President in what he has accomplished in this short time of his administration.

On the other hand, maybe some on our side of these issues may have exaggerated the accomplishments and such improvements may not be long lasting and that before long everyone will find that such accounts and figures are not as great as one time thought. But I know this that many voters will be going into that voting booth dealing with the question as to how their personal lives have been affected, and thus will probably vote accordingly as to whom they feel will help best in improving their lives. However, my concern today, is not so much as to how this nation has made it economically as much as to where they stand on the real issues that this nation stands in regards to our Constitution and the basic principles that our forefathers believed was what is best for all Americans.

For over 200 years we have seen this nation grow to be the greatest nation on earth. We have been a freedom loving people who have been willing to even die when necessary to defend our nation as well as other people throughout the world who had no one to protect them from dictators, communism, and leaders who would enslave and dominate them from experiencing the kinds of freedom we have had for all these years in our nation.

I hate to say this, but I believe it is true that there are rich and powerful individuals, as well as agencies, political organizations, and news-outlets, which are working hard to change what has existed over the years. We, as voters, need to insure by our participation in the process of voting and standing up for what is right that such “haters of our Constitution” will fail in their attempt to change these values which we hold dear to our hearts. At the same time we need to pray that such behavior and practices are exposed to the general public. It is hard to believe that so many of our citizens are completely ignorant as to what is happening in Washington as well as have the attitude that they could not care less.

I feel, as an American, born again Child of God, fellow pastor, and writer, that I have a responsibility to inform the people I know what is happening in our nation’s capital and to speak to these issues regardless of those who would oppose me as to whether I as a pastor should speak of such things. But when I see what is at stake such as: human life, freedom of religion, the value of a child having a mother and a father to raise them, as well as have a proper school and freedom loving teachers I cannot stand by and be silent. Someone must raise the issues and inform the general public what is at stake. I believe both political parties are and have been at fault in allowing the wrong people to take control of the political process.

I am praying each day for wisdom as to how best to deal with these issues of concern that I have for this nation. If any of my readers are offended at what I am saying they have the right to ask their name be removed from our mailing list and such will be done. But in the meantime I am going to address the issues which are at stake right up to the time of the election if the Lord so permits me. I do believe this is the most important election in our history.

TODAY OUR FORM OF GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN FUNDAMENTALLY ALTERED

Today the form of our government has been fundamentally altered – the Constitution has been largely replaced with an alternative form. The best way that I can describe it is in this way which I might say is key to the whole situation: the great majority of our laws at the federal level are not made by Congress (the very people who are elected by the people). This means that the people we elect to make the laws have actually delegated that work to someone else. It consists of independent executive agencies which number well over 150.

It is these agencies who make a very great number of laws, and there is no way for the people (voters) to correct those laws. The fathers (founders) and thinkers of our nation who drew up our Constitution believed that such arrangement would destroy the accountability of the government to the people, and therefore destroy the ground of government by consent. This ought not to be.

Over the past few years we have witnessed recent developments which have taken new and dangerous turns. We know that people in law enforcement and intelligence at the federal level have acted in partisan ways. We know this because they admitted it themselves. In the meantime our President is being accused of obstruction of justice because he told the Director of the FBI what to do. Well he had a right to. He is the President of the United States.

Where does the Director of the FBI get his authority? He works for the attorney general, and the attorney general works for the President with the consent of the Senate for his appointment only. The authority of those who hold these *unelected offices* is made legitimate by the fact that they are under the control of the people who are elected. ***But the problem is that it is not clear any longer that the holders of these offices understand this.*** And that is why we are in the mess we are in at this time. Too many people are taking liberties that the Constitution has not given them....and the media is supporting and advocating or defending them for their actions. This needs to stop.

The only way it is going to stop is if the American people awaken to what is happening in Washington DC and vote to insure that these things are corrected, and that they also support those who are running for office who see this problem and once elected will do something about this. It cannot be done by one or two Congressmen; they are going to need the support of the American people.

You may be thinking, well how does Pastor Vaughn know what he is talking about. Well we as pastors are able obtain our information from reliable sources. One of which I trust is one that is located in Hillsdale, Michigan...where I pastored for about a year....when I was doing some trouble shooting and helping churches in their crisis. I have received the monthly publication called the “**Imprimis,**” which is the monthly publication of **Hillsdale College** for a longtime. They have over 4,800,000 readers. Larry P Arnn is the President and a true child of God. This school is recognized as a reliable source and trustworthy as legitimate, having a long established reputation in their 175 year history of existence. Any of you who are interested in getting their paper may contact my office for this information.

I recently received an article entitled “**Four Pillars: Educating for America**” which was adapted from a speech delivered in December 6, 2019, by Allan P. Kirby, who represented the Center for Constitutional Studies and Citizenship in Washington D.C. I am hoping to get several copies of this article alone to make it available to our members and friends of Faith Christian Assembly, prior to the coming election. I believe it is time to inform God’s people of what is taking place and providing them the tools by which they may convince others that correction and action need to take place if we are to save our Republic.

I recently read in Paul David Tripp’s Devotional something that is worthy of our consideration. He said, “There are two lies that tempt each of us in some way. **The first was the lie of autonomy** – *the lie that says that you are an independent human being with the right to live as you wish. And the other lie is self-sufficiency, which I have everything I need within myself to be what I was created to do. But what they do not realize is that we were made by God and therefore don’t belong to ourselves, we belong to God. And we need to know human self-sufficiency is a lie. We need to come back to Biblical principles and see the error of our ways so that we may live in a nation whose dependence is upon God and God alone. The Church has its work cut out for itself, if only we hear His voice and learn to do His will.*”

Amen.