

Hope for the Future

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You can rest assured today that God has not gone to sleep. God has not gone on strike. God has not forgotten His program. God has not left this world to be decided by chance, fate, or luck. God's plan has always and will always involve His Son Jesus Christ.

I. Principles about God

- **Mankind will not get away with unrighteousness**
- **God will not be mocked (Gal. 6:7-10)**
- **God is sovereign (Dan. 7:17, 25)**

God Almighty raises up leaders and brings them down. Prov. 21:1 says "The king's heart is in the hand of the Lord, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will."

- **Christ is preeminent/has the preeminence (Col. 1:18)** – Not only is Jesus Creator, Savior, and Lord, He is preeminent in everything, everywhere, at all times.

Simply put, no matter who wins the Presidential election, God will still be in control and sovereign, mankind will not get away with their wickedness, God will never be mocked, and Christ continually remains preeminent over all Creation.

II. Principles for us

- **Be strong in the Lord (Eph. 6:10)**

We are at war. The battle goes on whether you are involved or not. We have the power to win available to us. We need to take that power and appropriate it every day. The enemy isn't taking a day off; neither should we. Go to the Source of the power, live in that power, and go to battle knowing the victory is won. Spiritual battles will not be won with physical strength; they will be won with supernatural help.

- **Do good (Gal. 6:10)**
- **Rely on our anchor (Heb. 6:19)** - Who guarantees safety in our storms? Our Anchor! In the sea of life, in the sinking sands of this earth, in the pressures of life's problems, we have an anchor.

Our Anchor is *sure* and *steadfast*.

We know that God's truth is certain. We have security. We have safety. We have the firmness of God's word. This anchor is unbending. This anchor holds up underneath all the storms. This Anchor will carry us through it all and bring us safely to the other side.

- **Redeem the time (Eph. 5:16)** – Make the most of every opportunity that is in front of us. We can't undo the past, but we must live for God in the present. Live carefully, wisely, following the Lord every day.

III. Live in light of the brightest future

When Jesus comes back to this earth, He will come in power and glory to rule and reign like no other ruler. The world will see that He is truly the King of kings and Lord of lords. The glorious truth will be known from the farthest to the nearest place. He will expunge His enemies and purge this world of all of its defilement. He will restore this universe, this earth, this place to its rightful place of prominence, how it was originally intended.

Conclusion

Friends, the King is Coming. When He does, in the words of David Rosenthal, “He will make earth beautiful again. He will make earth bountiful again. He will make earth peaceful again. He will make earth great again!” (Rosenthal letter 3Q 2024)

Until then we are called to trust Jehovah and His plan. We are called to bow the knee to Jesus Christ as Lord. We are called to give the Gospel to mankind. We must fight for right and truth. We must vote. We must uphold God’s standards of rightness. We must not waver or grow weary in well-doing. Please vote. Please pray. Please praise. Please trust.