ELECTION DAY SERMON

CALLING THE CHRISTIAN TO STAND HIS GROUND IN THE DAY OF BATTLE // ELECTION OF 2018

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

"Come Back California – Part 2"

What Happens When the Christian Votes From a Biblical Worldview Position

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"The Call for a New Black Robe Regiment"

Matthew 5:14-16

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This morning I would like to convert this Sanctuary into a Time Machine, if you would.

What I mean by that is – History is the record of, the accounting of man's actions and his events in time.

"Those who do not know history are doomed to repeat it." - Irish Statesmen, Sir Edmund Burke, 1777

But there are life-saving moments in history as well.

Isaiah 46:9a Remember the former things of old, For I am God,

Here is a former thing for us - - when our founding fathers had come to an agreement on what action was needed to be done - - they always prefaced their decision with one word –

Resolved,

(ie. set, to determine, to adopted, to declare to be resolute)

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1.) Resolved: Is the Calling of the Pastors to prepare God's people for the Day.

If we understand and believe in the Bible and the God of the Bible, then we must agree to His timing of things, The Remnant of His church, God's has divinely appointed to be Relevant at this time.

"The Bible Calls for His People to Ready Themselves."

From the shores of the Red Sea to the Jordan River to the Crossing of the Atlantic, The people were warned – get ready for what is about to happen.

Romans 15:4

For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.

Trumping // Pastors Across These United States // Trumping

Did not all of God's prophets call out the kings of Israel for their sin? Did they not address the kings of Israel? But were their actions "Political" or "Prophetic?" Each of them spoke right into the heart of the nation and challenged every king and magistrate

"To the pulpit we owe the moral force which won our Independence. They prepared for the struggle, and went into battle, not as soldiers of fortune, but with the Word of God in their hearts, trusting Him. England sent her armies to compel submission, but the colonist Appealed to Heaven." John Wingate Thornton, Historian 1860

> "The preachers of the Revolution did not hesitate to attack the great political and social evils of their day." Frank Moore, Historian 1862

2.) Resolved: Is the Responsibility of the church to engage their culture.

Deuteronomy 31:6

Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you."

It does not take a majority to prevail but rather an irate, tireless minority, keen on setting brushfires of freedom in the minds of men. Samuel Adams

Pasha's Video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BTItcpI23RM&feature=youtu.be

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3.) Resolved: Is the Unction of the church to be about her Father's business.

Last week I read an article about "How to get the most out of your social media posts"

Avoid posting anything on the weekends unless you want it to be ignored. People tend to be busy with personal activities and are most likely to be pre-occupied with other interests.

The best practice is to post your messages or photos on Monday mornings. The data shows that most people view their e-mails and social media sites while at work.

John 9:4

I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work.

Urgency – Is there a sense of Urgency in your life?

Ephesians 5:15-17 ESV

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, **16** making the best use of your time, because the days are evil. **17** Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

"Now is the hour for us to redeem the time,

Because time allows for **opportunities** and **opportunities** come in **moments**. It's like a window that opens up for a portion of the day."

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4.) Resolved: Is the Witness of the Christian to this generation.

The Power that belongs to the Christian and to the Church is Staggering.

There were 7 million registered evangelical voters in California that did not vote in California's last General election – 7 million!

"There is not a right asserted in the Declaration of Independence which had not been discussed by the New England clergy before 1763. Noticeable is the fact that, that the rights listed in the Declaration of Independence were nothing more than a listing of sermon topics that had been preached from the pulpit in the two previous decades leading up to the American Revolution. It was not just the British who saw the American pulpit as being responsible for American independence and government, our own leaders agreed. John Adams rejoiced that "the pulpits have thundered" and specifically identified several ministers as being among the "Characters the most conspicuous, the most ardent, and influential" in the "awakening and a revival of American principles and feelings" that led to our American independence."

The Christian history of the Constitution of the United States of America Verna M. Hall, New York 1960

God's Governing Mindset

Exodus 18:21

Moreover you shall select from all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them to be rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens.

Deuteronomy 1:13 Choose wise, understanding, and knowledgeable men from among your tribes, and I will make them heads over you.'

Acts 6:3 Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business;

At the Constitutional Convention of 1787, James Madison rose to present the following; "A model plan to divide the central government into three branches, a model of government from the Perfect Governor, as he read...

Isaiah 33:22 For the Lord is our Judge, The Lord is our Lawgiver, The Lord is our King; He will save us!

"We have staked the whole future of American civilization, not upon the power of government, far from it. We've staked the future of all our political institutions upon our capacity to sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God."

"While we assert for ourselves a freedom to embrace, to profess, and to observe, the Religion which we believe to be of Divine origin, we cannot deny an equal freedom to those whose minds have not yielded to the evidence which has convinced us." James Madison

Address to the General Assembly of the State of Virginia, 1778

"Necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." - Irish Statesmen, Sir Edmund Burke, 1777

"If we miss this opportunity to speak out and to do right by voting in defense of the issues that God has put before us – I believe that we may never have another opportunity like this again."

Esther 4:14

For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

In the spirit of Ezekiel 33 & Isaiah 62

Silence in the face of evil, is itself evil. Not to speak is to speak. Not to act is to act. Dietrich Bonheoffer

"If ever a time should come, when vain and aspiring men shall possess the highest seats in Government, our country will stand in need of its experienced patriots to prevent its ruin." Samuel Adams

The Church must take right ground in regard to politics. Do not suppose that I am going to preach a political sermon, or that I wish to have you join in getting up a Christian party in politics. No, you must not believe that. But the time has come that Christians must vote for honest men, and take consistent ground in politics. All parties will be compelled to put up honest men as candidates. Christians have been exceedingly guilty in this matter. But the time has come when they must act differently. God cannot sustain this free and blessed country, which we love and pray for, unless the Church will take right ground. Politics are a part of a religion in such a country as this, and Christians must do their duty to the country as a part of their duty to God. It seems sometimes as if the foundations of the nation are becoming rotten, and Christians seem to act as if they think God does not see what they do in politics. But I tell you He does see it, and He will bless or curse this nation, according to the course they take. Charles Finney 1871

So How Does California Come Back To Her Former Glory?

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It must never be forgotten that religion gave birth to Anglo-American society. In the United States, religion is therefore commingled with all the habits of the nation and all the feelings of patriotism; whence it derives a peculiar force. - Alexis de Tocqueville, 1835

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If there is a decay of conscience, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the public press lacks moral discernment, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the church is degenerate and worldly, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the world loses its interest in Christianity, the pulpit is responsible for it. If Satan rules in our halls of legislation, the pulpit is responsible for it. If our politics become so corrupt that the very foundations of our government are ready to fall away, the pulpit is responsible for it.

Rev. Charles Finney 1873

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