Subject: No vote = SIN! Posted by william on Wed, 21 Oct 2020 05:23:47 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Well, I guess I'm just sick of being called a sinner for not participating in the "most important election ever". Of course I should be used to it by now, I haven't voted in any of the "most important elections ever" of my lifetime: (Yes, it was my fault that God didn't get the right man in office, so there, I've admitted it... by my count I've used up 11 of my 7x70 opportunities for forgiveness from my fellow believers.)

I don't remember the phrase "most important ever" being used until Jerry Falwell's Moral Majority/Silent Majority movement came along in 1979, but I could be wrong. I will credit him, however, for creating this mess.

1980-Jimmy Carter vs Ronald Reagan (most important election ever); 1984-Walter Mondale vs Ronald Reagan (most important election ever); 1988-Michael Dukakis vs George H. W. Bush (most important election ever); 1992-Bill Clinton vs George H. W. Bush (most important election ever); 1996-Bill Clinton vs Bob Dole (most important election ever); 2000-Al Gore vs George W. Bush (most important election ever); 2004-John Kerry vs George W. Bush (most important election ever); 2008-Barack Obama vs John McCain (most important election ever); 2012-Barack Obama vs Mitt Romney (most important election ever); 2016-Hillary Clinton vs Donald Trump (most important election ever);

Anyway, it happened again when I was listening to a video yesterday. I was curious about the title and wondering if any of these so-called-prophets had had the guts to actually tell us who we needed to vote for, you know, since they claim it is a sin not to vote, I figured it would be easy enough to let us know which one of the candidates God wanted us to help Him with... after-all I'd hate to vote for the wrong person... that would be just as big of a sin as not voting, wouldn't it?

Well, I was disappointed again--led astray by the click-bait-title! Maybe they are just a bit concerned about their 501(c)(3) tax exempt status... much better to slight God's people and maintain their relationship with the government, and their money, I suppose.

Title: Will Donald Trump Be Re-Elected in November? (feat. Mario Murillo) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ISMqeJvvXGg (20 minutes in).

If you have nothing better to do than listen to the whole pathetic video (like me) then you'll find out that apparently there are some "prophets" (somewhere... I can't find them) that are bold enough to predict an election. Of course, they have a caveat if they somehow didn't hear God clearly

concerning their prediction, viz. ME, I'm not voting.

I did learn a few things though:

1) "Prophets" don't use "thus saith the Lord" anymore, without caveats, because God seems likely to change His mind if certain of us don't vote. In other words, if God gives a word to His prophets, His words might cause His people to become overconfident and hence, passive,(hey, I don't need to vote--God has already told us what He's going to do!) making His word invalid, which begs the question--why prophesy anything? That should help to get me off of the hook, at least a little bit, because I wasn't going to vote anyway and He probably has that figured into the prophecy already. (Thank God for His OMNISCIENCE, well, in my case anyway!)

2) Daniel's prayers in Dan.9, for Israel to be restored after the 70 years of captivity that Jeremiah prophesied about, wouldn't have happened if he hadn't prayed and humbled himself. No, it might have been 80 or 90 (even more) if Daniel hadn't prayed... Jeremiah should have added himself a caveat, I guess. Anyway, I know that God knows how to raise up people to pray, so the prophecy would have certainly been fulfilled, one way or another, but that's not what I learned. I found out that voting, and working to get people out to vote, (without endangering the 501(c)(3) by actually promoting a candidate) is now the modern equivalent to praying. Who knew!

I could go on, but this is already way too long, and given my sinful state, I doubt I'd convince anyone to consider that God just might be able to make His choice between "this evil, or that evil" in the upcoming election without my vote:

Dan 4:17

This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.

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