"I AM GOD AND I APPROVE THIS MESSAGE"

- ★ I ordained governments to be My ministers to carry out and execute justice in accordance with My will (Rom. 13:1-7).
- ★ I have blessed the people of the United States, age 18 years of age or older, with the right and privilege to vote for and elect those who would represent them (Amendment 26 of the United States Constitution).
- ★ I require that all government leaders govern in accordance with My will (Deu. 17:18-20; 2 Kin. 22:1-23:25; Dan. 5:18ff).
- ★ Since I have blessed the citizens of the United States with the right and privilege to vote and elect their government leaders, thereby making them an integral part of the governing process in a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, I require that the citizens of the United States vote for and elect (to the best of their ability) government leaders who will govern in accordance with My will.

We have heard many messages promoted by means of campaign commercials which are preceded or followed by the candidates saying, "...and I approve this message." Sadly, the message above has long been abandoned or ignored. Many people are "offended," at the very mention of the name of God during a political campaign (unless it is evoked by their chosen candidate). The ACLU *jeers* at any attempt to promote or give any glory to God during a campaign, but *cheers* loudly when the candidate they have supported takes the oath of office on January 20th and repeats the words, "So help me God." When Pilate asked, "knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against Me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered Me unto thee hath the greater sin" (John 19:10-11). Today, man would have no power at all to elect their governing leaders "except it were given thee from above." Christians should, to the best of our ability, vote for candidates who will uphold the precepts set forth in the Word of God.

The following is taken directly from the 2008 Democratic Party Platform approved by the DNC on Monday, August 25, 2008 (www.democrats.org/agenda).

"The Democratic Party strongly and unequivocally supports *Roe v. Wade* and a woman's right to choose a safe and legal abortion, regardless of ability to pay, and we oppose any and all efforts to weaken or undermine that right."

"We support the full inclusion of all families, including same-sex couples, in the life of our nation, and support equal responsibility, benefits, and protections. We will enact a comprehensive bipartisan employment non-discrimination act. We oppose the Defense of Marriage Act and all attempts to use this issue to divide us."

Is this a message that God would approve? God told Jeremiah, "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations" (Jer. 1:5). God considers the unborn child in the womb to be a precious life and God hates "hands that shed innocent blood" (Pro. 6:17). Further, God proclaims homosexuality to be unclean, dishonorable, "vile," "against nature," "unseemly," or shameful, and "error" (Rom. 1:24-27).

As we participate in the process revered and envied by the rest of the world, let us be a shining light by demanding that our leaders respect morality and truth. Let us take our "one vote," and courteously and humbly do that which is pleasing in the sight of God.

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