

Dear Saints of God,

For too many, today is a day filled with anxiety. Instead of being able to declare, "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24), hearts are weighed down with fear, worry, and division. The media has kept this tone at a high pitch. What are we to do this election day?

When everything appears to be falling apart and tumbling down, Jesus calls us to lift up our heads because our redemption is closer than ever (Luke 21:28)! Psalm 121 points us in the direction of hope and help: "I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth" (vs.1-2).

The Word of God provides the course correction and comfort we need:

Earthly rulers are important, but "It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes" (Psalm 118:9).

Administrations come and go, but we have an unchanging Savior: "Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God" (Psalm 20:7).

Exercising faithful citizenship is critical, but we know that "our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (Philippians 3:20).

As Christians, we are not on this earth to join the divisive and anxious narrative of the world. We are here to set the tone of the Gospel: "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). We are here to "preach Christ crucified," "Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God" (1 Corinthians 1:23-24). God has placed us in this generation for such a time as this, to keep in step with the Spirit (Galatians 5:25), to lift up in prayer all who govern and one another (1 Timothy 2:1-4), and to sow a harvest of righteousness as ones who make peace (James 3:18).

Scripture alone, faith alone, grace alone, Christ alone! This sets the tone for election day, embraces every concerned heart, and gives a message of hope to share.

Shine brightly today, dear servants of our Savior Jesus!





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