

Voting Is Blasphemy

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When we take upon ourselves the role – and thus claim the power – of God to set up and remove leaders, we aren't merely exercising a "right". We're claiming divinity.

In a recent discussion with a self-styled "Christian" just this morning, I was informed that (and I quote) "The vote has power, power, wonder-working power."

This is, of course, a play on the chorus of the famous hymn, "Power In The Blood". It's a wonderful hymn, reminding us of the unique and divine ability of the blood of Jesus to cleanse us of our sin.

For those who may not know the song, I suggest looking it up online, but for the purposes of this writing, the chorus is as follows:

*There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder-working pow'r
In the blood of the Lamb
There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder-working pow'r
In the precious blood of the Lamb*

I was blown away by this person's statement. Either he's wicked, or extraordinarily stupid. Or both.

Perhaps this individual just thought he was being clever. I argue: Not at all.

To equate anything – *anything at all* – to the power of Jesus Christ, King of Kings and Lord of Lords, is to commit blasphemy.

But I also have to give this individual some credit: To an extent, he was being honest.

Whenever I try to encourage Christians to give up the voting sham in favor of seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness (Matthew 6:33), I'm given all sorts of excuses as to why it can't or shouldn't be done.

"His kingdom is in heaven, not here on earth."

"But voting is an American privilege and our Christian duty."

"Not voting for Candidate A is just a vote for Candidate B."

"If you don't vote, you give up your right to complain about the results."

And my personal favorite:

"Well, that's religious and idealistic and all, but we have to be realistic."

Let's take a look at that last one.

It insinuates that idealism is not realistic, that idealism is pursuit of pipe dreams, that the ideal is unachievable – despite the fact that the ideal relies upon the promises and declarations of God Himself. It puts down Christ's own ideal of seeking first the Kingdom of God as "religious" – which it is – but overlooks the religious nature of seeking first the kingdoms of men.

They believe there is "pow'r, pow'r, wonderworking pow'r" in themselves, in the arm of man, in their ballot. They reject that such power is to be found in Jesus Christ, who unequivocally declared himself King of All in Matthew 28:18.

For a Christian to disregard the Kingdom of Heaven and throw himself behind the institutions of men is to not just flee the fight. It is treachery. It is treason against the King. And the King will not look upon that kindly.

***"But these enemies of mine, who did not want me to reign over them, bring them here and slay them in my presence."* — Luke 19:27**

A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways, we are told in James 1:8. Don't claim to be a Christian while standing in line for the ballot box. Don't claim to be a Christian while flying your Trump flag in your front yard. Don't claim to be a Christian while declaring undying love and devotion to the humanistic, corrupt American Republic. You can't "kneel for the cross and stand for the flag" at the same time. Pick one. Be honest. Stop fooling yourself.

Either you are all in for the Kingdom of God, or you're all out.

The corrupt King of Judah, Manasseh, put idols in the house of God (II Kings 21:1-5, II Chronicles 33:7). God expressed indignation at this in Ezekiel 8, calling their actions "abominations". No doubt the Judeans who attended the temple services despite this thought they were good, faithful, temple-going Hebrews. Probably they had somehow convinced themselves that God smiled on them while they burned incense to false gods in the very temple built exclusively for the worship of the One True God. Eventually, though, God had enough, and Judah went into captivity in Babylon for seventy years.

Do we somehow delude ourselves into thinking that, because we're 'Muricans, we're immune to the judgment God has demonstrated over and over again? If so, we'd better think again.

God has said quite clearly that He will not hold guiltless one who takes His name in vain (Deuteronomy 5:11). What do you think you are doing, Christian, when you claim the name of Jesus and then go whoring after the gods of the human state?

Don't think for a moment that it won't be held to your account.

And certainly, if you claim — even if not in word, but in deed — that there is "pow'r, pow'r, wonder-working pow'r" in your vote and the vote of your fellow Americans, you are insulting the King. You're telling Him you're fine without Him, declaring autonomy from His majesty, announcing that *you* are the shaper of destinies and establisher of kings — contrary to Proverbs 16:9, Daniel 2:21, and a plethora of other Scriptures.

Indeed, it can be nothing other than blatant, unabashed blasphemy.

With judgment falling on America — and it only looks like it's going to get worse, rather than better — 2024 is a great year for Christians everywhere to repent of the blasphemy and sin of participating in the voting shell game.

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