ELECTION THOUGHTS

Brothers and Sisters, today (11/4/26) we have awakened to an America that has spoken loud and clear!
Socialist, Islamic, anti-God beliefs were on the ballot and embraced by the majority.
I never thought I would see this day, but I have; it's a sad day Brothers and Sisters!
Up to this time, red state bastions of sanity could be counted on. This is no longer so today.
This may sound simplistic, but we must remember, this did not happen by accident.

WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO OUR NATION?

I believe we are seeing the results of a nation that has turned away from the true God and are embracing deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons. Sadly, America is simply going the way of other western nations and embracing ungodly ideologies. We see the results of other nations abandoning God, this has simply reached our shores.

Recall, America is not mentioned in Bible prophecy and is not a player in the end times.
Something must happen to America to diminish its impact on the world scene. In short, America has abandoned its Godly foundation and is experiencing the consequences of such action. It seems God is giving a depraved people what they want. With this, America's demise is expected.

America turning on Israel - *EXPECTED!*
America embracing ungodly, aberrant lifestyles - *EXPECTED!*
America turning away from the true God and worshipping false gods - *EXPECTED!*
American Church worshipping a made-up Jesus - *EXPECTED!*
America joining the globalist push - *EXPECTED!*

At times like these, the "why God" questions come to the forefront. We prayed, we believed, so "why God?" After "why God", many go into the sky is falling mode. "Oh, what are we going to do" mentality may sweep into our minds. Many go into denial; it doesn't matter anyway mode. We must remember what happened is not by chance.

America was founded on Judeo, Christian values. America has been blessed by our God because we worshipped the true God. We have abandoned these values and have suffered for it. Our families are crumbling, lawlessness is being promoted, the culture is collapsing. This is the result of a people turning from God and experiencing the consequences of that action. God told the nation of Israel if they turn from Him, they can expect Deuteronomy 28:28.

"The LORD will strike you with madness and blindness and confusion of heart."

I believe we are seeing this today; madness is here!
Isaiah saw madness in his time - Isaiah 5:20

"Woe to those who call evil good and good evil; who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!"

We are experiencing the calling good evil and evil good in America today!
I never thought I would see the day!

A nation cannot embrace abortion and be blessed by God.
A nation cannot embrace same sex marriage and be blessed by God.
A nation cannot embrace transgenderism and be blessed by God.
A nation cannot embrace false gods and be blessed by God.

God has been very patient with America; however, there is a time when God says no more.
I believe what we saw last night is an act of judicial punishment, judicial hardening.
God is giving the people what they want. A time when God gives a people over to a depraved mind - Romans 1:28

Scripture tells us what to expect as we grow closer to the end. The problem, as I see it, it just seems weird that this is happening on our watch, in our time, but it is. What are we to do, how are we to respond?

Brothers and sisters, this is not a time to panic. The sky is **NOT** falling. This is a time to take a pause and reflect on who really is in control of our lives. It is **NOT** the political system we live in; it is **NOT** anti-God ideologies that are being promoted, it is **NOT** what the media pundits talk about. Perhaps today, more than any other time in our lifetimes, we must **KNOW** and **BELIEVE** that our GOD is in full control! Our GOD knows what He is doing! Our GOD is in control even when things seem out of control. ***THIS IS NOT OVER!***

This is a time for the real people of God, what Scripture calls the remnant, to stiffen their resolve and represent our God in the darkness. Remember, the darker the days, the brighter our light will shine! Matthew 5:16 says it perfectly. ***"Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."***

This is a time for our saltiness to be poured out in our sphere of influence and impact our culture with the truth. This is a time for Holy Spirit **courage** to be on display for real in your life. For Holy Spirit **calm** to consume your Spirit. For the Comforter to allay any anxiety, fear or apprehension that you may be dealing with. For the world to see, you are at ease knowing our God reigns! For **HIS** Church to have Holy Spirit grit!

Brothers and sisters may this be our finest hour! When history records what happened to America, may it be said of us, there was a people, the people of God, the remnant, who took a stand for truth. Who took a stand for the true God! We are told to watch and stand fast in the faith; may we do so this day and in the following weeks and months. **No panic, simply standing tall for our Lord!**
1Corinthians 16:13-14 states ***"Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love."***

May all who need a bump know our God reigns!
May we stand fast in the faith, immovable, like the bull in a blizzard.
May we be found faithful!

Love you all,

Pastor Rick

