

Post-Election Prayer for the USA (2 Chronicles 7:14)

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A. USA's tale in 2 pictures

Take Trump out of the picture you see. What would you think is happening?

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B. The Great Tragedy of the US Election

It is just about the worst outcome. SCOTUS 'refused' to hear the 'election fraud case'. It is neither 'proven' nor 'disproven' in the highest court in the USA. Where does it leave ~75 million Trump voters? How is Biden going to unite the divided country? How is he going to escape the question of 'illegitimacy'?

- I. '*A false balance is an abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is his delight.*' (Prov 11:1) If the serious election fraud charge is true, then Biden is in a dangerous place. Counterfeit kings in the Bible do not do well. Taking the position of power by illegitimate votes means is the worst thing you can do to yourself.
- II. Joe Biden was sworn in as the 46th President with his hand on the Bible on the 20th of Jan 2021 while pushing aggressively for the policies that stand against the God of the Bible. He is committed to the policies of killing babies (9 months full-term abortion); further gender confusion (appointment of officials from the LGBTQ community); an anti-Israel stance (resuming the two-state solution). All these were the reasons the God of the Bible destroyed the ancient civilisations – Judah, Sodom, Assyria, etc.
The USA is headed into the deep waters of trouble such as they have never known in the past.
- III. Already we see the Big Tech and media outlets 'aggressively silencing' the conservative voices. Some left-wing politicians are posturing to penalise conservative/Christians views. There was so much at stake in this election, even the US constitution itself, which clearly stands for freedom of speech and religion.

Therefore many felt this was a battle Christians couldn't afford to lose. It involved national issues such as abortion, gender fluidity, foreign policy toward Israel, and international and geopolitical scale contest between 'socialism' vs 'capitalism (hybrid-interventionism market)', and 'globalism' vs 'nationalism'. There are immediate consequences such as the massive migration of conservative Christians out of WhatsApp, Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, etc. Many Christians lost their jobs or businesses just for attending the Trump rally in Washington D.C.

C. How did This Happen? What is God Saying in All These?

- I. There are a few questions we are asking in all these.

(1) Was it even right for the church to pray for President Trump's re-election? Was the church becoming 'too political'? Shouldn't the church stand in the 'middle ground' (apolitical) and just preach the kingdom?

(2) Were the vast majority of the prophets deceived who prophesied Trump's 2nd term? Or worse, were they all false prophets? A vast majority of the prophets predicted Trump victory in 2020 by a landslide. Now that Biden has been inaugurated, the prophetic voices still differ widely.

- i. A small number apologised for getting the word wrong.
- ii. Others explained it was a *conditional prophecy, and Trump has failed* due to his pride.

iii. Still, others say the *church failed* by not praying enough.

iv. A few are strongly saying, 'Wait, give it time, and keep praying because very soon there will be a dramatic reversal, and President Trump will be installed as the 46th President.'

II. This is confusing. Who is right? How do we pray for the USA?

(1) It was absolutely right for the church to pray and vote for the candidate whose policies mirror the biblical principles as closely as possible. In this US election there was no grey area, it was light vs darkness. While we should never confuse political parties with the kingdom of God, Christians ought to engage in urgent social issues of our time, so that we can be the 'salt' and 'light' in the world.

(2) Who failed? Did President Trump fail? Did the church not pray enough? We will never get to the bottom of exactly who failed by how much. Was it Trump? The church? The prophets? How about assigning 33.3% blame to each of the three? This obviously is not a fruitful exercise.

BTW, it would be terribly unfair for the church to blame it all on President Trump's personal failings. He wasn't perfect before he took the office in 2017. In fact, many will argue he is now a much-improved version than when he first took the office!

However, one thing is certain. So much coordinated prayer rose up to heaven from all over the world during this election time more than any other time!

III. Then, why did this happen? God allowed it. Why? What are we to learn from this?

God has a priority far higher than His call on the nation of the USA (Rom 11:29) – it is God's call upon His Church. God's three end-time priorities are: (1) the bride of Christ; (2) the great harvest; (3) Israel's restoration. The vehicle to bring forth these is not this or that nation, but the Church of Jesus Christ.

D. Correspondence with Ps. Joe Sweet

Ps Joe Sweet thanks us for standing with the American Church, and he has shared his valuable thoughts and the insights of the following Christian leaders on <https://youtu.be/pDgo8WHVGG0>

- I. Sadhu Selvaraj (Jesus Ministry) – *'Absalom stole the throne of David and David went into exile. God's purpose is to humble the church and humble the President. If President Trump won the election, then the church would continue to walk in pride. But now I allowed this to happen to bring the church to a place of brokenness and humility before Me. So that from the place of brokenness and humility I will make the church shine with glory.'*

Will Trump get back into the White House? I do not know. I hope and pray so, but it will be after the church and Trump come to brokenness so that there is no more 'We've achieved this. We've achieved that.' God still has a good plan. But what He really wants from us is 2 Chr 7:14

- II. Rick Joyner (MorningStar Ministries) – had a face-to-face encounter with the Lord on Nov 1, 2020. *'If the election goes your way and the church doesn't have an awakening, they are going to be in worse condition than now.'* The church is under the 'Laodicean spirit'. God has no problem with blessing us if our heart is right with Him. The answer for the church is still 2 Chr 7:14, and the church still has not done it.

'Very few are humbling themselves, and actually turning from their wicked ways. (There is a lot more prayer about personal blessing), and even fewer are actually seeking God's face.'

- III. John Fenn (Church without Walls International) – The Lord spoke to him about the spirit of socialism in the 2004 Kerry/Bush election. *John asked, 'Lord, I am seeing something different in the Democrat party. What is it?' The Lord said, 'It is the spirit of socialism. It can be slowed down but it won't be stopped.'*

Then in a more recent encounter at the end of last year, *'Now two waves of socialism will hit the USA. The first one will happen on the inauguration day. It will last less than a year until the Vice President takes over'* and the second wave will come. (Not known whether it is a literal or figurative takeover.)

- IV. Mike Bickle (IHOP-KC) – *‘If Joe Biden wins, big trouble for the USA. If Trump wins, still there is big trouble for the USA for different reasons. Which is better? I am not sure, but the Lord is going to create the environment most conducive for the American church to be awakened from the Laodicean spirit. God has given the USA four years of reprieve, but the time of grace was mostly not used well – division went up, sin went up, prayer rooms stayed mostly empty.’*

Mike cautioned Christians that we must not confuse ‘patriotism’ with the kingdom of God. Also whatever the outcome we must trust Jesus’ leadership.

E. How do we pray for the USA?

This is the Lord’s sound discipline to the church in the USA.

- I. Jer 31:15-22 The prophetic destiny of the USA was to freely preach the gospel without governmental tyranny. That is why they elect their presidents. They do not have kings. The church in the USA was not meant to be subject to the government. Individual citizens receive their rights directly from God, not from the state.

But now the socialism agenda has hijacked all three branches of the US government. The USA is in exile, figuratively speaking. But God will bring her back with chastisement and discipline. A recent message was given in a fluent Arabic tongue in Ps Joe Sweet’s church, *‘Persecution is coming to the USA. But fear not, I am with you.’*

- II. Pray for God’s sound discipline to bring forth humility, righteousness and purity in the churches in the USA, in Australia, and the free world.

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- III. Pray for the awakening of the church worldwide! (Ps. 110:1-2) God’s plan is for His Church to rise up and send forth the rod of authority out of Zion. It will take prayer, preaching, evangelism, acts of mercy, etc, and transform the government and society from within. It is not reform from top-down, but from within.

The Lord’s primary mandate of the Church is not ‘taking over’ the government of this world, but to bear witness to the resurrection of Christ. Full ‘taking over’ the government of this world will happen when the King returns. Right now, we proclaim Jesus Christ and His coming kingdom, and we engage the world as salt and light. And we learn to ‘rule with Christ’ through the ministry of intercession and doing the works of the kingdom. The kingly anointing is released through the priestly and pastoral function of the Church.

- IV. We also need to pray for Israel who will come under increasing pressure from the new administration in the White House. How? By the Great Awakening of the Church.