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PRIORITIES IN PICKING A PRESIDENT

It requires Special Revelation via the Scripture to know the Gospel; nevertheless "Natural Law" exists and it is the basis God has for holding pagan Nations accountable for their actions. For example, study the first chapter of Amos which records God's judgment coming on those pagan Nations guilty of violence, oppression, cruelty in their treatment of other Nations and people groups (e.g.- slave trading). Natural Law, particularly, Natural Moral Law, is about Justice. That is God's yardstick for every Nation. Instead of politicking and seeking legislation to make this a Christian Country, our goal should be to make it a Country wherein there is Justice (as measured by God's standards) for all. This gives us a major principle to use in deciding which candidates to support in the coming national election. Likewise, this goal gives us a guideline to use in evaluating legislation and government policies. Who will work for Justice? What will enable Justice?

Any politician who endorses or enables oppression, cruelty or unwarranted violence (I believe the federal Government has the right to wage a just war in the protection of its citizens, as well as to administer capital punishment to confessed and convicted murderers. All this would be warranted violence) or who would deny anyone their basic human rights should, in turn, be denied. The candidate for President should support basic human rights as defined in the Bible (especially in the Torah) These are the rights to life, marriage and family, work, ownership of property, privacy, due process when accused of crime (a fair and honest trial) and freedom to worship God. The main concern of most citizens is the Iraq War (ending it) and second (according to recent polls) is the economy (jobs- fear of a Depression), followed by health care (especially insurance coverage). However, I believe we should give priority to the issues of basic Justice, as defined Biblically. That means Christians should support candidates and legislation that are anti-abortion, anti-eugenics (anti-embryonic stem cell research) and anti-euthanasia; pro-traditional (man and woman only) marriage and parental authority; pro-business and the free market as well as fair, non-discriminatory labor laws; less taxation (which would require limiting entitlement programs as well as a balanced budget); less surveillance of citizens ("Big Brother"); reform of the courts and legal system; and an end to restriction on public worship and expressions of belief in God.

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