And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: blood and fire, and pillars of smoke. (Joel 2:30)

He warneth the faithful what terrible things should come, to the intent that they should not look for continual quietness in this world, and yet in all these troubles he would preserve them. (Joel 2:30 GNV Commentary)

And they have cast lots for my people, and have given the child for the harlot, and sold the girl for wine, that they might drink. (Joel 3:3)

The Choice: Beyond Tuesday

The choice lies before us: Further turning away from God, followed by increased and intensified judgement, or repentance, forgiveness and blessing from Him.

It's easy to hinge all this on the Presidential election, but there's far more to it than who spends the next four years in the White House, the House of Representatives and the Senate. Our actions as believers *after* we make our selections are important. Now we pray, seek God on the National Mall and some are even calling for a fast for Election Day. After that, will we be watchful and continue to seek Him, or will we hit the "snooze" button once again?

The enemies of God absolutely hope for the latter, especially if the election should not go their way. If the Church goes back to sleep, they can go underground and make new plans and prepare to try and take power once more — only the next time, they'll be far more clever about it. And in the meantime, all the evil, rotten works that are only now rising to the surface will sink back into the depths to be perpetuated.

If we turn a blind eye to what is done to the innocent, then God will turn a blind eye to us. The work of His Cyrus has begun, and we cannot afford to let it drop now. Woe to those who see the truth and let the perversion continue. It must be rooted out if this nation is to continue as the world's leading superpower.

People often vote as if politics were a chess match, making move and counter-move hoping to gain an advantage over their opponent. Believers can no longer afford to look any longer at the system of government God inspired our Founders to create in this way. Let manipulating the system and the conditions under which it operates stay in the Hands of Him who truly knows how to do it. Vote who you are, and Who you belong to, and quit trying to be an amateur providence.

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