This election year is the most unusual one that I have ever experienced. Due to the Corona virus, there has been very little political activity compared to a normal election year. There has been some of course, but that is more or less restricted to the media, with party conventions being delegated to virtual conventions (for at least for the Democrats, but perhaps the Republicans as well).

Political division in this country has become more and more polarized for both parties: The Democrats have become **very liberal** and the Republicans **very conservative** – **There really is no middle ground and if someone tries to tell you otherwise, they are trying to manipulate you!** So, what should a **Christian** do? Well, I am not in any position to **tell you what to do**, but I can tell you **what I will base my vote on.** The follow list summarizes this…

1. I will vote as closely as I can to the what the word of God says.
   2 Tim. 3:16f.

2. I will vote for the most pro-life candidate because God hates the shedding of innocent blood.
   Proverbs 6:16-19

3. I will vote for the most pro-Israel candidate, because God blesses those who bless Israel and curses those who don't.
   Genesis 12:1-3

4. I will vote for the most pro-debt reduction candidate because the Bible says that the borrower is the servant to the lender.
   Proverbs 22:7

5. I will vote for the most pro-work candidate, because the word of God says that if a man won't work, neither let him eat.
   2 Thessalonians. 3:6-10

6. I will vote for the most pro-marriage candidate, because God defines marriage as a union between a man and a woman.
   Gen. 2: 18-24

7. I will vote for the candidate who most closely believes that government's purpose is to reward good and punish evil.
   Romans 13:1-5

There are a lot of verses here, so look at them written out. The Scriptures say...

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (World English Bible)

16 Every Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for teaching, for reproof,

for correction, and for instruction in righteousness,

17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good

work.

Proverbs 6:16-19 (WEB)

16 There are six things which Yahweh hates;

yes, seven which are an abomination to him:

17 haughty eyes, a lying tongue,

hands that shed innocent blood;

18 a heart that devises wicked schemes,

feet that are swift in running to mischief,

19 a false witness who utters lies,

and he who sows discord among brothers.

Genesis 12:1-3 (WEB)

1 Now Yahweh said to Abram, "Get out of your country, and from your relatives,

and from your father's house, to the land that I will show you.

2 I will make of you a great nation. I will bless you and make your name great. You will be a blessing.

3 I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you. All of the families of the earth will be blessed in you."

Proverbs 22:7 (WEB)

7 The rich rule over the poor.

The borrower is servant to the lender.

2 Thessalonians. 3:6-10 (WEB)

6 Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw yourselves from every brother who walks in rebellion, and not after the tradition which they received from us.

7 For you know how you ought to imitate us. For we didn't behave ourselves rebelliously among you,

8 neither did we eat bread from anyone's hand without paying for it, but in labor and travail worked night and day, that we might not burden any of you;

9 not because we don't have the right, but to make ourselves an example to you, that you should imitate us.

10 For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: "If <u>anyone</u> <u>will</u> <u>not</u> <u>work</u>, <u>neither</u> <u>let</u> <u>him</u> <u>eat</u>."

Gen. 2:18–24 (WEB)

18 Yahweh God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make him a helper comparable to * him."

19 Out of the ground Yahweh God formed every animal of the field, and every bird of the sky, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called every living creature became its name.

20 The man gave names to all livestock, and to the birds of the sky, and to every animal of the field; but for man there was not found a helper comparable to him.

21 Yahweh God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. As the man slept, he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place.

22 Yahweh God made a woman from the rib which had taken from the man, and brought her to the man.

23 The man said, "This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh. She will be called 'woman,' because she was taken out of Man."

24 Therefore a man will leave his father and his mother, and will join with his wife, and they will be one flesh.

Rom. 13:1–5 (WEB)

1 Let every soul be in subjection to the higher authorities, for there is no authority except from God, and those who exist are ordained by God.

2 Therefore he who resists the authority, withstands the ordinance of God; and those who withstand will receive to themselves judgment.

3 For rulers are not a terror to the good work, but to the evil. Do you desire to have no fear of the authority? Do that which is good, and you will have praise from the same,

4 for he is a servant of God to you for good. But if you do that which is evil, be afraid, for he doesn't bear the sword in vain; for he is a servant of God, an avenger for wrath to him who does evil.

5 Therefore you need to be in subjection, not only because of the wrath, but also for conscience' sake.

We are blessed with the constitutional right to vote; take advantage of that right and be sure to do it in person, so that others may not mishandle your explicit voting wishes.

May God bless the United States of America!