

Donald Trump and King Cyrus

(Can God Use Donald Trump to Help Christians and Save our Nation?)

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What does Donald Trump have to do with King Cyrus? We want to reflect upon this timely subject for a few moments since the presidential November elections are getting closer. This study is designed for Bible believing Christians who can by voting have a profound effect on the outcome of the election. We can have an impact on who will sit in the oval office as our next president.

Like never before, American values and freedoms stand in the balance. So much is at stake in this election. The very political, economic, and religious foundations of our country stand in danger of being forever lost. If you think it cannot get any worse, then think again. If Hillary Clinton is elected president we are going to move further and further into the abyss of socialism, economic collapse, and eventually lose our religious freedoms in this country as Christians.

It's time that we sound the alarm, face these issues head on, and then go to the polls this year and vote to save America. This is the America that over a million of American citizens have given their lives for throughout the years,

from the days of the Civil War to our recent wars with terrorism. If our freedoms mattered in all the previous wars they should still matter today! If they matter to you, then you need to get to the polls and vote to save your freedoms. Of course, today, we still have the threat of foreigners in other lands trying to steal away our freedoms, but we also have a much greater number of insiders working to take away our freedoms. People like the radical Nazi and billionaire George Soros and his puppets within this country are seeking to overthrow capitalism and change America into a nanny state.

Christians are in real danger of losing their religious freedoms if the present push for socialism and atheistic values continue into the next presidency. Donald Trump is against abortion and he has repeatedly confirmed that he would stand with Christians and not allow their rights and freedoms to be taken away. He is a candidate that will enforce law and order and maintain the constitutional freedoms that we have today as Christians and American citizens. The question is this: Can God use a Donald Trump to save our Christian freedoms and stop America's downfall religiously, politically, and economically? Yes, it is possible, but we cannot know this for certain. This is because we are not prophets predicting the future and we ultimately cannot know Donald Trump's heart and intentions. But God knows them (Psalm 7:9; 17:3).

Nevertheless, we can draw some Biblical conclusions from Scripture today that might give us some hope for America and our spiritual freedoms as Christians. Donald Trump just might be used of God in a unique way to help Christians maintain their freedoms. God may have raised him up to accomplish something specific and special for Christians who are coming under fire for refusing to bow their knee to the ever-increasing pressures of the LGBT community, same-sex marriages, the acceptance of Islam, and many other issues that are contrary to the Christians faith (Jude 3). God may use Donald Trump to maintain our religious freedoms in this country. Even the religious freedom that is under fire to speak against corrupt government officials and political tyrants who are seeking to overthrow this country.

As one pastor recently said, "I'm not voting for Donald Trump to be a third grade Sunday School teachers for my daughter. I am voting for him to lead this country away from socialism and maintain Christians freedoms." Don't

close the book on Donald Trump. Here me out on this. I'm simply suggesting some Biblical truths about how God blessed His people (the Jews) in the past, through a pagan King called Cyrus, and how Abraham's intercession could have stopped God from sending His judgment upon the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah for the sake of righteous people who were still living in these cities. Both of these accounts have some application to this November election, to Donald Trump, and Christians living in America.

Is Donald Trump an economic, political, religious and constitutional Savior? Can he make America great again, safe again, and free again? Can he in some unique way be God's man to help restore and maintain the religious freedoms of this country and nation? Will he help Christians to maintain their freedoms? Again, I cannot answer these questions with certainty but our study sheds light on this possibility and provides us with some hope for the future of our beloved country of America.

God may choose to use Donald Trump to save American constitutional values and Christian freedoms.

This central idea can be supported with two Biblical truths.

1. Pagan people can be used of God to help God's people.

Let's find out what Donald Trump and King Cyrus might have in common. First, a little history on Cyrus. Cyrus is a king mentioned more than 30 times in the Bible and is identified as Cyrus the Great who reigned over Persia between 539-530 BC. This pagan king is important in Jewish history because it was under his rule that Jews were first allowed to return to Israel after 70 years of Babylonian captivity.

In one of the most amazing prophecies of the Bible, Isaiah predicts the decree of Cyrus to free the Jews. One hundred fifty years before Cyrus ever lived, the prophet calls him by name and gives details of Cyrus' act of kindness or benevolence in helping the Jewish people.

Isaiah 45:1-4

“Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut; I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron: And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call *thee* by thy name, *am* the God of Israel. For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me.”

God in declaring His sovereignty over all nations revealed that King Cyrus was going to be used by Him as “his anointed” or a person that God had ordained to bring about His purpose for His children (“For Jacob my servant's sake”). Cyrus was a man that did not know God (“though thou hast not known me”) but nevertheless he would be a man that God wanted to use in a great way to help fulfill God’s covenant promises to His people by allowing them to return to the land.

Cyrus is also termed as a “shepherd” which has arisen to help His people Israel. Isaiah 44:28 says, “That saith of Cyrus, *He is* my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.”

It is very interesting that God calls a pagan king His “shepherd” which was given to His people to lead them into a time of blessing in the Promised Land. Don’t forget this little tidbit of information tucked away in this historic episode of the life of Israel. God used a pagan king to free His people and bring them great spiritual blessings of experiencing their covenant blessings. God used a wicked person to help bring about God’s purpose to once again bless His beloved people. Could not God do the same thing with a man such as Donald Trump?

Might God choose to use a Donald Trump to promote the religious freedoms of Christians and stop the spread of anti-Christian sentiments in this country? It is possible. God may choose to use this man like He used King Cyrus, to keep His people free, which in the context of today means to maintain the

spiritual freedoms of Christians that are supported by the U.S. Constitution. God can use this pagan man to maintain the blessing of freedom for Christians today who are living in America.

Cyrus's decree in releasing the Jewish people allowed them to return to the land of Palestine and this was in direct fulfillment of Bible prophecy.

It is recorded in 2 Chronicles 36:22–23.

“Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD *spoken* by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying, Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth hath the LORD God of heaven given me; and he hath charged me to build him an house in Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah. Who *is there* among you of all his people? The LORD his God *be* with him, and let him go up.”

This is amazing! A pagan king was going to help God's people. You cannot make up this stuff! It actually happened as God said. Other Old Testament books that mention Cyrus include Ezra and Daniel. King Cyrus actively assisted the Jews in rebuilding the temple in Jerusalem under Ezra and Zerubbabel. Cyrus restored the temple treasures to Jerusalem and allowed building expenses to be paid from the royal treasury (Ezra 1:4–11; 6:4–5). Cyrus helped to restart the temple worship practices that had not been practiced during the 70 years of the Jewish captivity. In fact, some commentators point to Cyrus's decree to rebuild Jerusalem as the official beginning of Judaism as we know it even today.

Among the Jews deported from Judah and later placed under the rule of Cyrus included the prophet Daniel. In fact, we are told Daniel served until at least the third year of King Cyrus, which was approximately 536 BC (Daniel 10:1). This being the case, Daniel likely had some personal involvement in the decree that was made in supporting of the Jews. The historian Josephus says that Cyrus was informed of the Biblical prophecies written about him (Antiquities of the Jews, XI.1.2). The most natural person that would show Cyrus the scrolls of God's prophetic word that mentioned the name of King

Cyrus would be Daniel, who was a high-ranking official in Persia at the time (Daniel 6:28).

Besides his dealings with the Jews in allowing them to return to their homeland, Cyrus is known for his advancement of human rights, his brilliant military strategy, and his bridging of Eastern and Western cultures. As we have seen, he was a pagan king of tremendous influence and a king or leader that God chose to use to fulfill an important Old Testament prophecy that revolved around helping God's people return to their beloved land.

Once again, God's use of Cyrus as a "shepherd" (Isa. 44:28) or leader that He raised up for His people illustrates the truth of Proverbs 21:1, "The king's heart *is* in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will" (whatever way it pleases Him). This means that God can turn the hearts of leaders in a direction that can help His people. We need to remember this as we go to the polls this next election. God uses imperfect people, even wicked and pagan people, to accomplish His purposes and decrees.

There are three main ideas that seem to be floating around in the heads of many Christians today when it comes to voting for a man like Donald Trump. Let's call them three misconceptions that Christians have about voting for a Donald Trump.

First, some Christians will say, "I cannot vote for an unsaved man like Donald Trump." Many Christians in saying don't really know about the salvation of other presidents that preceded Trump. How many of them were really saved? And how many of them were really godly Christians? By listening to the funeral statements of their wives and family, one must question the salvation of many of our presidents and certainly their spiritual lives. I'm not comparing Ronald Reagan to Donald Trump, but I have personally heard Ronald Reagan swear a blue streak off camera, while he was president. And yes, I was a Reagan fan, but when it comes down to it, none of us can be sure of the salvation of our presidents, and certainly all of them have had their faults – some more than others! Like Cyrus, Donald Trump is a very egotistical man who has no signs of knowing God and Jesus Christ as His Savior. But this

does not mean that God cannot use him as the president of the United States.

For those Christians who cannot vote for an imperfect and non-Christian person, remember King Cyrus and how God used this man to accomplish His goal and will for the people of God. And also remember that when you go to the polls you are not voting for a pastor or deacons to serve in your local church. No political candidate can meet these qualifications and standards nor is he required. Nevertheless, you can vote for a man, however imperfect he might be, to be used of God in a unique way to accomplish His purpose for Christians that are still living in America. You can vote for a man who has the vision and goal to save a nation from total collapse and loss of spiritual freedoms which have been the rich heritage of this country.

Second, some Christians will remind you, “We cannot be unequally yoked together with unbelievers” (2 Cor. 6:17). This is true. It’s a Biblical command that must be followed if we want to be obedient to God. However, voting for a person in Washington is not committing a religious breach of this command. Christians are not entering into a religious covenant and compromise with politicians when voting for a political leader of a country. They are not asking unbelieving men, who may even represent false religions, to come to their local churches and speak. They are not cooperating with them in trying to do the work of God. Therefore, voting for politicians has nothing to do with separation from the religious compromise with unbelievers and pagan systems of unbelief.

It would seem that voting for a politician has nothing to do with creating unholy alliances (Ezra 9:14) with the enemy. If this were the case, then Biblical Fundamentalists and other Evangelical Christians of today could not vote for Roman Catholic politicians, a Mormon politician, or those who espouse beliefs that are contrary to the centralized message of Christianity regarding salvation and Jesus Christ.

We must remember that we are voting for the political plans and purposes of a candidate for this nation – not his religious background or spirituality. Of course, if a candidate begins to openly endorse and promote things like abortion and wants to strip Christians of their rights to worship as they

please, then I would withhold my vote from that candidate. Why? It's because I don't want to be part of a person's political goals or agendas to murder children, destroy the foundation of the home, and the very fabric that this country was built upon. There are lines that must be drawn in the sand and not crossed for the sake of the Gospel, righteousness, and the truth.

Third, many Christians have adopted the defeatist attitude and will tell you, "We are living in the last days. We are finished and there is no hope left for our country." Yes, we are living in the last days and things are going to wax worse and worse (2 Timothy 3:13). This may be true but at the same time this does not mean that we have entered doomsday. God can choose to raise up someone, even a man like Donald Trump, who may cater to Christian beliefs and also stop the political and constitutional train wreck of America from happening before the Rapture occurs (John 14:1-3).

The fact that we are living in the last days does not mean that God has abandoned America and will never choose to be merciful to America again before the Rapture happens. This may especially be true if enough Christians vote and continue to counter the patterns of ungodliness, atheism, evolutionary dogma, and anti-God philosophy that is parading through this country. This wall of Christian opposition to pagan ideas and philosophies can only occur as God's children follow the principle of praying and seeking God's spiritual blessing and healing upon our nation (2 Chronicles 7:14), as they stand up for what is right, and seek to prevent total spiritual lawlessness abandonment from overtaking our country.

2 Chronicles 7:14
"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Second Chronicles 7:14 is not a promise directed to America but there is an important principle we can learn from this verse. When people pray they can impact a society and bring about God's blessing. Of course, the restraining of evil and God's blessing can only occur as the Holy Spirit works through the lives of millions of Christians, as God enables them to live a holy life and stand up for righteousness in the midst of a pagan society.

The fact that we are living during the last days does not mean that God's church cannot continue to suppress and restrain the full effects of evil from overtaking our country.

2 Thessalonians 2:7 reveals this amazing truth:

“For the mystery of iniquity (lawlessness) doth already work: only he (the Holy Spirit) who now letteth (restrains) *will let (restrain)*, until he be taken out of the way” (until His restraining influence is removed when the Church is raptured).

The Bible is teaching that the presence of the Church in America and throughout the world is in some sense restraining, suppressing, or limiting the total spread of wickedness, evil, and keeping total spiritual anarchy from occurring. As Christians are salt (preserving the truth) and light (radiating the truth) we impact a pagan and godless society. However, when the Church is raptured total lawlessness will abound. There will be no person left to restrain the evil. This is because the Holy Spirit's restraining influence will be removed from the earth when the Church is removed. Until then (the Rapture and Tribulation Period), God may choose to hold off from bringing His full wrath and judgment upon our nation which will surely be experienced on a worldwide basis during the coming seven-year Tribulation Period (Rev. 3:10).

Think of it this way. The presence of praying Christians and Christians who do not compromise with the moral atrocities and evils of our society, may cause God to raise up a man (another Cyrus) that just might keep His people from losing their freedoms and liberties.

William Cowper wrote long ago:

“God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants His footsteps in the sea
And rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never failing skill
He treasures up His bright designs
And works His sov'reign will.

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
The clouds ye so much dread
Are big with mercy and shall break
In blessings on your head.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust Him for His grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.

His purposes will ripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flow'r.

Blind unbelief is sure to err
And scan His work in vain;
God is His own interpreter,
And He will make it plain.”

We cannot forget that God is sovereign and can do incredible things through His providential hand. This brings us to our next point.

2. Righteous people can keep God from destroying wicked people.

The Biblical account of Sodom and Gomorrah reveals some important things about intercession before God to stop His impending judgment. The basis of Abraham's intercessory plea to God was that righteous people deserve to be spared and blessed by God and not experience God's wrath and judgment. God was going to bring His immediate judgment against the two homosexual cities of Sodom and Gomorrah but He was willing to withhold His wrath because of the intervention of Abraham. Abraham's plea was this: "God, you cannot destroy these cities for the simple reason that righteous people may be living in them." There is something in this intercessory prayer to God which parallels to our situation in America today.

Genesis 18:20-33

“And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know. And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD. And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked? Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that *are* therein? That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

“And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes. And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which *am but* dust and ashes: Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for *lack of five*? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy *it*. And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do *it* for forty's sake. And he said *unto him*, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do *it*, if I find thirty there.

“And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for twenty's sake. And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for ten's sake. And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.”

An important Biblical principle is brought out in the account. Abraham was praying that God would spare the wicked cities of Sodom and Gomorrah from judgment, if righteous people could be found in those cities. In other words, Abraham was praying that the righteous people living in these cities might be enough for God to spare the cities and not cause His wrath to be meted out upon them. God was willing to consider Abraham's prayer if he could find enough righteous people living in the cities.

Here is the point. Righteous people who are still living in America and praying for America may keep God from sending the full brunt of His judgment upon this country. Like Abraham, we need to intercede before God and ask Him to be merciful to this nation because of its Christian heritage, and also because of a large amount of Christians that still live in this country, who want to do what is right and follow God's moral laws and ethics.

If enough of God's people get behind Donald Trump and actually pray that God might use him in some unique way to maintain our constitutional freedoms in this country and stop the sure demise of our country economically, politically, and religiously, then perhaps the intercession of Christians will yield spiritual dividends. God just might answer our prayers and stop America's spiritual, economic, and constitutional train wreck. But I don't believe it will happen without Christian prayers, intercessions, and votes.

When we pray, remember:

- The love of God wants the best for us.
- The wisdom of God knows what is best for us.
- The power of God can accomplish it.

You will notice God's answer to Abraham's aggressive intercession. He would spare these cities from His sure judgment for the sake of righteous people living in the cities. Maybe the same will be true for America before the Rapture occurs (1 Thess. 4:13-18). God may choose to spare our country from greater judgment because of the righteous Christians living in this country. Furthermore, we are reminded that God's children, like Abraham, need to continue to pray and be salt and light within the nation (Matt. 5:13-14). As previously mentioned, salt preserves the truth and light reveals the truth! Our very presence and prayers may keep the nation from losing all of God's blessing and falling under God's greater hand of judgment before the greatest judgment of all begins on planet earth – the Tribulation Period (Matt. 24:21).

Some Christians have lost heart for this country. Maybe you are one of them. There are some Christians that have come to the point where they will not even pledge allegiance to the flag anymore, acknowledging that we are a

nation “under God” since they feel it is hypocrisy to ask God to bless America in light of the moral atrocities that are occurring in this country. However, I do not believe that pledging the flag, declaring our nation to be under God, and praying for God’s blessing upon the country is hypocrisy on the part of Christians.

This is because it should be the heart’s desire and cry of every Christian that God would continue to bless America for the righteous people that are still standing against same sex marriages, homosexuality, abortion and which want to maintain an ethical policy in our country that reflects morality, decency, and Biblical values for the home and nation.

Our pledge to the flag as Christians can in one sense be turned into a prayer for this country. It should be the longing and deep desire of every Christian to maintain a country that acknowledges righteousness and a country that acknowledges God as the Creator, Moral Giver, and Ruler. For this reason, among others, such as showing respect for those who fallen and given their lives, Christians should continue to pledge the flag.

In pledging the flag, we are echoing the truth of

Psalm 33:12:

“Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.”

A dad took his small son with him to town one day to run some errands. When lunch time arrived, the two of them went to a familiar diner for a sandwich. The father sat down on one of the stools at the counter and lifted the boy up to the seat beside him. They ordered lunch, and when the waiter brought the food, the father said, "Son, we'll just have a silent prayer."

Dad got through praying first and waited for the boy to finish his prayer, but he just sat with his head bowed for an unusually long time. When he finally looked up, his father asked him, "What in the world were you praying about all that time?" With the innocence and honesty of a child, he replied, "How do I know? It was a silent prayer."

Well, the little fellow thought a silent prayer meant that we do not pray to God. As I think of this little boys misunderstanding about prayer, I cannot help

but think how many Americans have adopted this idea of silent prayers. Instead of Christians really interceding for the nation, they have given up. The silence of their prayers means that many Christians don't believe God can still bless America and that they really don't believe in the providence of God overruling wickedness. Their lack of prayer and failure to vote sends the message that Christians have lost sight of God's power to override the wicked plans of man which are against the Creator.

What is the lesson of Abraham's intercession over the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah? The lesson seems to be this. God may spare America from further judgment for the sake of the righteous, if Christians continue to manifest their presence, vote, and stand up for truth and righteousness. Prayer without voting is like sailing a ship without wind. We need to be willing to be part of the answer. Instead of throwing up your hands in hopelessness, putting on a white cape and standing on the rooftop waiting for the Rapture to happen, will you be part of the answer? Will you pray and vote?

If Christians are not interceding for the sake of the righteous who still live in America, if they are not crying out for the blessing of God to be upon our country for the righteous stand of millions of Christians, if Christians do not desire the nation to be "under God" for the sake of the righteous people still living in this land, then who will intercede for the country?

Like Abraham, we need to remember to keep interceding on the behalf of righteous people and asking God to spare His hand of judgment for those who are Christians and who are still promoting godly values and Biblical principles. If we are not going to do it, then who will do it? We have forgotten the importance of intercession and what can happen when we intercede and ask for God's blessing, even when the evildoers with their ideologies are stacked against us. We cannot give up. We must stay the course and keep singing and praying that God would bless America. I'm still singing it!



"God Bless America,
Land that I love.

Stand beside her, and guide her
Thru the night with a light from above.
From the mountains, to the prairies,
To the oceans, white with foam
God bless America,
My home sweet home."

As Bible believing Christians, we should still want God to bless our country, pray that we might remain under God's authority, and maintain our spiritual freedoms. Why? It's for the sake of millions of Christians, righteous people, and our children and grandchildren, who are still living in this country and who want to uphold righteous values and standards.

We should also want to see God's blessing upon this country for the sake of our children and grandchildren. Have we forgotten our children and grandchildren in the midst of all of this political hype? I hope not. Together, we have much to lose if we lose heart and fail to vote for someone who can stop the socialistic slide and inevitable collapse of this country.

Together, Christians can pray that Donald Trump might be another Cyrus. They can through intercessory prayer ask God to change the trajectory and tide of this country, through this man, as he seeks to keep the constitution and freedoms of our country intact.

Many Christians are thinking that there is no more hope for America. We have sinned away the day of grace and mercy of God. They have thrown in the towel, given up, and don't plan to vote in November. May I remind you that if you give up, you are not only giving up on America, but the America that your children and grandchildren are going to live in for many years to come.

As Christians, we should continue to seek and ask God's blessing upon our country because of the millions of Christians that live in this country who still oppose atheism, abortion, same-sex marriages, homosexuality, who love this country because of the foundation principles that it was built upon, and who stand for Christian values, truth, and morals.

Habakkuk 3:2 should be our prayer for this country:

"O LORD, I have heard thy speech, *and* was afraid: O LORD, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; **in wrath remember mercy.**"

In wrath remember mercy! God has undoubtedly in some measure already brought His wrath upon this country. However, He might choose to withhold a greater outpouring of His wrath because of righteous people who are standing against the tide of wickedness and evil. The Biblical

account of God's willingness to spare Sodom and Gomorrah, if righteous people were dwelling in these cities, should provide an important lesson for us today. God may withhold His judgment if we continue to stand against the tide and live a righteous life in the midst of much moral wickedness and sinful degradation. There is still hope when all hope seems gone!

Christian friend, this is not the usual run-of-the-mill election. This is why 100 million are expected to watch the debates. Too much is at stake. We must look past the candidates themselves and see where their ideas and ideologies will take this country. These are the hard times and hard facts of what will happen if Hillary Clinton is elected as the next president. Hillary stands for the continued spread of socialism and the death of capitalism. She will choose supreme court justices that stand for total liberalism, who are pro-abortion, pro-homosexuality, anti-Christian and who do not believe in the constitution or the Bible. This will lose the balance of power in the country. Do you want this? It will happen.

Hillary Clinton will continue the trend to promote liberal agendas and seek to allow countless numbers of *illegal* immigrants to enter our country without screening them and then put them on our welfare system. This is a sure death knell to our economy and republic. It will put the country in grave danger and eventually and inevitably collapse the system which already is about 20 trillion dollars in debt.

Many believe a financial collapse of America is by design and default. It's actually what left-wing radicals in this country want to happen. The ultimate plan is to bring everyone in America under the one umbrella of a single payer system and a harder socialistic hand of the government over the lives of people. Hillary Clinton's plan is to continue to socialize America and make it into another European country. Do you want this for yourself, children, and grandchildren?

Hillary Clinton is against the First and Second Amendments and will push to take away our Christian freedoms to protect ourselves and speak against sin and false religion. She wants to silence the Christian's right to speak out against homosexuality and other sins within society by labeling this type of speech as hate crimes. She wants to pressure churches to accept

homosexuals and Muslims and forbid them to speak out against their terrible sins, false religion, and wicked practices. She will push to take away the tax exempt status of local churches which will create a heavy tax burden on the churches. Do you want these things to take place in this country? This is exactly what the liberal agenda is seeking to do in America.

If you think times are getting harder, imagine what will happen if Hillary Clinton is elected as our next president? More lawlessness will continue to abound and much harder times economically, socially, and religiously will come upon this country. Things will rapidly spiral out of control until our country, as we once knew it, will be no more. Again, is this what you want for yourself, children, and grandchildren?

We cannot turn a blind eye to what is occurring in our nation. The hour of decision has come. We can guarantee what the outcome will be if we do not cast our vote for someone who still believes in American exceptionalism, values, capitalism, and constitutional rights.

Could a Donald Trump be another Cyrus? Could God in some strange way use Trump to save God's people from losing many of their privileges and freedoms? Maybe so. But we cannot know for sure. We don't know what God's ultimate plan might be. However, the Bible attests to the fact that God can bless His people through unlikely people. One example of this is King Cyrus. Christian friend, we should start interceding before God that He might use a man like Donald Trump to save the freedoms that we still have and which this country has cherished for hundreds of years.

Brother and sister, we are living in the "last days" (2 Tim. 3:1-6) and we are at the crossroads. But it's during these times that God may want to actually make His power known by using a man such as Donald Trump to bring a blessing to His people, the righteous who still live in America, those who still love this country, who want to uphold moral and ethical principles, and who are praying that their spiritual freedoms might be maintained. If God can use a Cyrus to return freedom to His ancient beloved people, He can do the same thing through Donald Trump, so that His people today might maintain their spiritual liberties and freedoms.

Again, we don't know for sure that this will happen in the plan and purpose of God who "removeth kings, and setteth up kings" (Daniel 2:21) by His own sovereign will to bring about His ordained purposes. We are often worried about the politics of this earth but the politics of Heaven override the politics that are taking place on earth. Like never before, we are going to have to trust in God's providence and the fulfillment of His purpose regarding our next president, even if Trump does not win.

Of course, God's sovereignty does not override human responsibility. This means that prayer can sometimes be providentially used to bring about God's purpose (2 Chronicles 7:14; James 5:17-18). Prayer can be used to move the hand of God which in return moves the events of the world! This means we must honestly consider the possibility and pray that God might use a Donald Trump to save American freedoms.

**"who knoweth whether
thou art come
to the kingdom
for such a time as this?"
(Esther 4:14).**

Mortdecai reminded Esther long ago: "who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" (Esther 4:14). In what kind of day and time are we living? It's a time when our religious freedoms are being trampled upon. It's a time when Christians need to stand up and fight in order to save their rights and freedoms. It's a time to stop the overreach of government. It's a time to take back America from left-wing, hard-lined, atheistic liberals who defy God and righteousness.

Don't go to the polls this November without remembering the sovereignty and providence of God! God can choose to use people that you may never think or expect He would use. God can override wickedness and paganism in accomplishing His goals and purposes and actually bring blessing upon His people through pagan men. This is why I am voting for Donald Trump this election. He is on the ticket. Christians, let's pray, let's stand together, let's vote, and let's believe that God will remember mercy in the midst of wrath.

**“Is anything too
hard for
the LORD?”
(Genesis 18:4)**

Yes, it takes faith when voting for our next president. And yes, some of us might even be voting for Donald Trump by default. But then again, as we vote, we must ask the reoccurring question: “Is anything too hard for the LORD?” (Gen. 18:4).

If God can use Cyrus to bless His people, He can also use a Trump to accomplish a similar purpose, which is to allow His people to maintain their freedoms. In the end, Donald Trump may actually be a blessing to God’s people and this beloved country. If God in His sovereignty chooses to use Donald Trump in this way, Christians should express their gratefulness to the Lord, and continue to fight for the founding freedoms and the religious heritage that made America great.