

Election Day Righteous Choices

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Congratulations! Whether you like it or not, you are a soldier at the front lines of the greatest and most ruthless war of all times.

You, yes you, are a fighter in the trenches in the great war between the forces of good and evil.

You can't run away! You can't ignore the fight! You have a powerful weapon in your hands and the rule of the game is simple. Either kill or be killed.

And remember this, death in this battle is death eternal. What will die will not be the body of flesh and blood, but rather your immortal soul. Either you fight to keep your soul alive or a very vicious enemy will fight without pause to kill your soul within you.

You have no choice, no time for a break, no time to stop and think, and definitely no place to run. You are on the front and taking fire. Decide now! Kill or be killed!

Religion is not what you believe, it is how you live! Religion is defined as one's faith, true, but faith without deeds to back them up is no faith at all. Doing what is right is the definition of righteousness. The righteous are those who do what is right. The righteous live by their faith. The faith of the righteous is not what they believe. It is what they do! It is how they live!

According to the Secrets of Torah, the physical universe in which we live is called "Olam HaAsiyah," the World (or Domain) of Action. We are taught that this Domain is in a state of disrepair, symbolized in the Bible by the eating of the forbidden fruit from the Tree of Knowledge Good and Evil and symbolized in later Torah literature as the "shattering of the primordial vessels." We live in a shattered world and our souls come to Earth for the purpose of doing our individual shares in assisting in the repairs. Our repair work is called rectification, Tikkun, in Hebrew.

Tikkun/Repairs in the Domain of Action cannot be performed by religious rituals alone. Prayer by itself, or Bible or Torah study alone is not enough to get the job done. In the Domain of Action, what gets the job done is action and deeds, the right, proper deeds and actions of those people who embrace that which is right and good.

Only those who do the right things, at the right times in the right ways are part of the solution and not part of the problem. Only those who do the right thing are part of the Tikkun.

One cannot be religious without being righteous. One cannot be religious or righteous all the while that they continue in behavior that contributes to harming society and the world. One cannot be religious or righteous if and when one gives supports to anyone, be it a personal acquaintance or a

candidate running for office, whose policies and behaviors contradict the very righteousness that religion is meant to embrace and express.

The Domain of Action demands that we do what is right. The Domain of Action demands that we embrace only those who equally do what is right. The Domain of Action demands that we reject those who contribute to the problem instead of contributing to the solution. The definition of righteousness demands that when voting in public elections that our support only be given to those candidates who equally stand up for religion, righteousness, faith and doing what is right.

From the beginning G-d commanded Adam and all mankind to work for his bread. With man's labors comes rewards. These rewards are his, and his alone. They are blessed by G-d. It is the way of the Domain of Action for each man to work for his living and to stand on his own two feet. Each man by living his faith will naturally chose to do what is right and thus righteous. He may not become a millionaire, but instead he will become a sound and stable contributor to the repair/Tikkun of G-d's creation. This is what is blessed by Heaven.

G-d is against big government and those that embrace it. This is the clear message throughout the Bible. G-d commands us to be free. Freedom requires independence and self reliance. Those who rely on others never learn to rely upon themselves. They never learn to look to Heaven. They never learn to do what is right. As such they lose their independence. They become slaves. They have added to the "shattered vessels" because they themselves are shattered people, living shattered lives.

Each of us now cannot escape our destinies. We cannot escape our responsibilities. We are each held accountable for our choices, both in the ballot box and in our everyday lives.

Do the right thing and the right results will occur. Do what is wrong, for whatever reason, and in the end more wrong will occur. The equation is that simple. The war really is that "black and white."

Soldiers are drilled not to question orders. They do what they are told. When they follow orders, they usually live to appreciate it later. Bad soldiers who disobey orders end up in trouble, and often do not survive. Today, we are all soldiers, we are all on the front lines and we are taking fire! Our Commander in Chief in Heaven, our Heaven Father, L-rd of Hosts (Armies) has issued to us His orders (commands). Morality and righteousness demand that we follow them.

We have an opportunity to take the battle to the enemy and to fight them in their territory, thus safeguarding our own. Make use of this opportunity. Do your share in fixing this Domain of Action. Do the right thing! Vote the right way. Vote the way that makes a man (and woman) proud! Be a soldier and not a slave!

Remember G-d freed us from Egypt and commanded us never to return there. Either we fight for our freedom or we lose it. Either we entrench ourselves in the Promised Holy Land or we lose it to invading armies seeking our destruction.

We chose! We either live in freedom or we die in slavery! Chose! Be righteous and thus live your faith OR capitulate, compromise and go back to Egypt and die like the pitiful slave you deserve to be.

The Domain of Action demands your input! G-d and His angels are watching. This is not Judgment Day for politicians or for a nation. It is Judgment Day for you!