THE BIBLE AND VOTING Part 12



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Introductory Remarks

A stewardship issue (1 Cor. 4:2)

A biblical issue (2 Tim. 3:16)

Biblical principles rather than partisanship

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Economic Issues

- 1. Ownership of private property? (Deut. 19:15)
- 2. Pursuit of economic self interest? (Gen. 8:21)
- 3. Proper definition of compassion? (2 Thess. 3:10)
- 4. Who provides charity? (1 Tim. 5:3-8)
- 5. Family is the building block of society? (Deut. 6:6-7)
- 6. Wealth retained within the family? (Prov. 13:22)
- 7. The earth experiences cyclical patterns? (Gen. 8:22)
- 8. Environmental stewardship rather than earth worship? (Rom. 1:22-23)
- 9. Opposition to runaway debt? (Prov. 22:7)
- 10.Limitations upon the government? (Acts 5:29)

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Social Issues

- 1. Legal protection for the unborn? (Gen. 25:23)
- 2. Legal protection for the elderly? (Lev. 19:32)
- 3. Hetero-sexual monogamous marriage as the standard for society? (Gen. 2:18-25)
- 4. Advocacy capital punishment? (Gen. 9:6)
- 5. The right to restrict alcohol, pornography, & gambling? (Lev. 10:9; Matt. 5:27-28; Prov. 13:11)
- 6. Parental authority over children? (Eph. 6:4)
- 7. Public expressions of Christianity? (Mark 16:15)
- 8. Right to keep and bear arms? (Luke 22:36)

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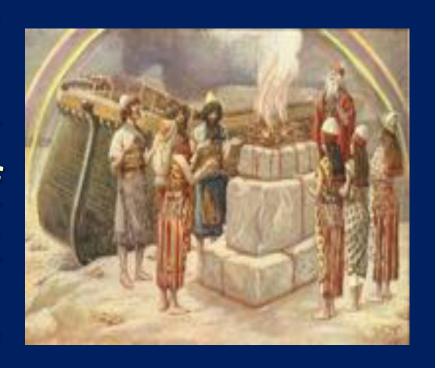
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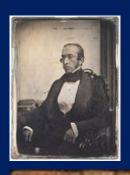
The Lord smelled the soothing aroma; and the Lord said to Himself, "I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done.[emphasis mine].



Mark 7:20-23

"And He was saying, "That which proceeds out of the man, that is what defiles the man. ²¹ For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, ²² deeds of coveting and wickedness, as well as deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride and foolishness. ²³ All these evil things proceed from within and defile the man."





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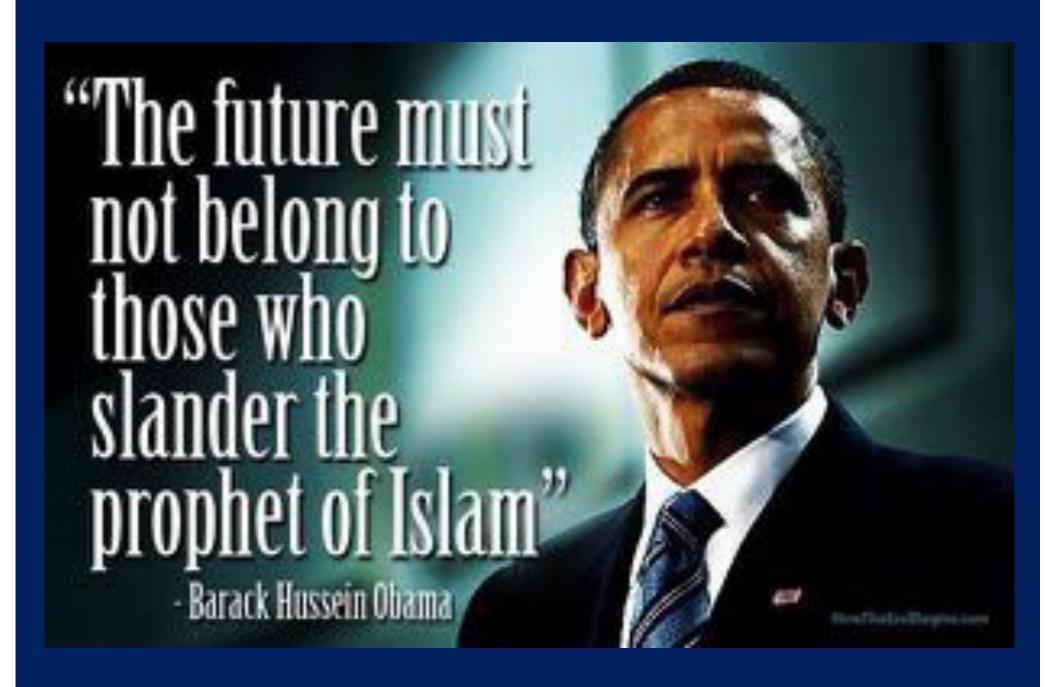
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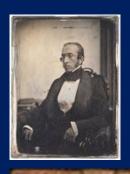




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