

The WAR Within

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It's clear the USA is at war. This includes both external and internal efforts. IF we wish to retain some of our treasured freedoms, we – those in support of what the USA has stood for for hundreds of years – must vote next month. Some candidates (holding radically different political ideologies) would, if voted in, change the Congressional *landscape* whereby the efforts on the part of the House and the Senate to correct the drift to a godless socialism will be squashed ... possibly forever. This mid-term election next month is a part of the warfare within.

For those of you who are sincere followers of Jesus Christ, I ask: Do you see our internal political warfare (touched upon above) as a partial analogy to the SPIRITUAL WARFARE taking place in each and every one of our lives, personally? The old nature still tries to battle our New Nature in Jesus Christ. I passionately believe this is one reason why our Lord Jesus called us to take up our personal cross daily. We truly do need to die to self and, instead, live in Christ. Galatians 2:20 states we are crucified with Christ. It is no longer our old nature that lives – though we can sure drift back there! – but we are to walk in our new life in Christ. Check it out. Read the whole book of Galatians. Read Romans. In these two New Testament letters we find crucial Counsel to endure in our new lives in Christ and key instruction not to fall back into the ways of the flesh. Read the book of Hebrews – we are to endure! The internal warfare on a spiritual plain (for each of us personally) is even more intense than the political war taking place in the USA today.

We strongly suggest two ACTION STEPS – one quite simple, the other, not so much ...

1. VOTE next month
2. DIE daily to the old self & LIVE in the new, born-again self in Christ Jesus – please read Romans 6

Can we muster enough resolve to do so? We sure NEED to.

So take this sheet and fill in the following:

On November 3rd, check the appropriate box below:

I ☐ DID NOT vote.

I ☐ DID vote.

“For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.” Mt. 12:37 ; NKJV

“You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only.” James 2:24 ; NKJV

By God's kind grace:

Beginning **today**, check the appropriate boxes below.

Today _____, I died to self & walked in God's Spirit;
(date) I abided in God's Vine ☐

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etc.

“I am becoming, today, by what I do with what I have, what I will be in the life to come.”

By our words (Mt. 12:37) & by our faith-driven deeds (James 2:24) we will be [justified](#) ... or condemned!