♦SERMON NOTES **♦**

Sunday, July 3, 2016

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For many of us, this has been an unsettling election season. It seems the choices are more challenging than ever for Bible-believing, Christ-followers. Today, I want to share with you how I intend to cast my vote and influence.

"By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God" (Hebrews 11:8-10, ESV).

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"But God gave him no inheritance here, not even one square foot of land" (Acts 7:5, NLT).

"tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword" (Rom. 8:35, ESV).

"These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth" (Hebrews 11:13, ESV).

"God did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a herald of righteousness, with seven others, when he brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly" (2 Peter 2:5, ESV).

"By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward" (Hebrews 11:24-26, ESV).

"By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies" (Hebrews 11:30-31, ESV).

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