"How To Vote" By Kirk Hunt

You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men

2 Corinthians 3:2 NKJV

Dear Winston*,

I often thank God for you as a friend and Gospel brother. I have often turned to you for encouragement and advice, trusting that God's wisdom is at work in your life. While I have not always used your guidance exactly as given, I cannot deny the skillful and Godly nature of your counsel. I am prayerful that I can now offer you direction on how you should vote this fall.

Your vote, despite all of its practical applications and greater symbolism, is nothing more than a choice. A man of your wisdom and insight knows that choices can be categorized as either intellectual decisions or emotional reactions. While no decision is ever purely intellectual or strictly emotional, one or the other dominates the choice(s) made.

As your own experience has taught you, choices based on emotional reactions are almost never the best course of action. Even in those rare episodes where an emotional choice worked out, you later found the facts and data that supported that path. Conversely, when you sit in the ashes of a poorly made emotional decision, the clear-headed reasons you could have easily read and understood were right there, mocking you.

Neither the politicians, the political system nor special interests can overcome the good judgment of thinking voters. Even when the choices seem dismal, the exercise of choosing, using facts and data, imposes rationality on everyone involved. One choice is always better than the other, even if by a razor's edge. Set aside your emotional response and use your intellect and Godly wisdom to make a clear-headed decision.

Finally, I cannot urge you enough to vote this November. Americans' failure to participate fully and completely in the core mechanism of the democracy has impaired the function of the Government. Those who do not vote are getting the America someone else chooses.

Your brother in Christ, Cadreman

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