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“Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall.” —II Peter 1:10

This Tuesday is Election Day with many running for office and most notable the election for President of the United States. There will be many victorious, joyful candidates who were successful in their endeavors. There will be even more disappointed aspirants to public office who will not win. The reason the victors will win is they receive more votes than the others. In such a system the outcome of our efforts is totally in the hands of others.

Fortunately the same cannot be said with respect to our eternal salvation. If we lose in the spiritual race, we have only ourselves to blame. The outcome is not in the hands of others. Let us live in such a way that we can make our *“calling and election sure.”*

—Marty Edwards ❖



Ephesians 4: 31-32 ³¹*Let all bitterness, and wrath, and*

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anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: ³²And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

I couldn't help but think as I read the above verses that Paul penned to the Christians in Ephesus how much those words would help during a time of pending elections. Even if you only occasionally see campaign coverage, you can see the above words are not followed. There is discord, hateful speaking and a general air of bitterness and wrath among candidates.

With the world we can expect such and it will always be this way. We live in a sin-filled world where such attitudes are prevalent. People are like this not only in campaigns and elections, but as they strive and toil to get ahead in position and financially. Many people don't care what they say or do just so it benefits them.

Think of how wonderful the world would be if people only followed the two above verses. We can't change other people, but there is one person we are in total control of and can easily change, and this is ourselves.

Let's make sure that we always follow the above words. Let's put away the negative attitudes and words toward one another, and forgive each other. We are reminded that we are to forgive each other because God has forgiven us for Christ's sake.

We can and are able to do this or the LORD would not have commanded it be done. We cannot change anyone else, even those closest to us, but we can change ourselves.

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News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, Brad Terry and Kenneth Compton.**

—Remember that tonight our service time reverts to 4 p.m. This is the only service that changes time. When the time changes in March, we will go back to 6:00 p.m.

—Thanks to **Mitch & Sandy Duncan** for hosting the chili supper last Sunday evening. We had a nice worship outside then supper afterwards. Thanks to **Stewart & Sharon Franklin** for bringing the wagon of straw for the hayride. Everyone had a wonderful time and it was a perfect night for the hayride with moderate temperatures and a star-filled sky.

—Tonight will be our first-Sunday singing.



Birthdays & Anniversaries

Mark & Sherry Crabtree — November 14
Allen Riffle — November 14
Breanna Riffle — November 15
Patrick Crabtree — November 27
Sandy Duncan — November 27
Larry Compton — November 27
Sharon Franklin — November 28
Steven Seaton — November 29

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Sunday, October 30, 2016		
Classes	17	Ephesians 4:17-24
Preaching	24	I Peter 2:1-9
Contribution	\$765.00	
Evening	32	Ye are the Light of the World
Wednesday, November 2, 2016		
Classes	22	Nehemiah 10:1-39

Visitors—

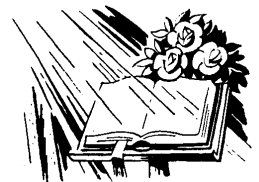
Bible Quiz

The Psalmist said the LORD was his salvation and his what?

Last Week's Answer— His own soul (Proverbs 19:8)

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

—Psalm 119:105



—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)