

*Truth is not determined by a show of hands*

November 2

America is known to be a democratically elected Republican form of government. America's founding fathers established a nation with the intent that "We the people" rule. Thus, a majority rule approach is used when electing officials, passing laws, and adding amendments to the constitution. Policy is therefore established by a show of hands in every area of that democratic society.

God's Kingdom however, is neither a democracy nor a republic. It operates under a theocratic rule, which simply means it is "God ruled." When going through difficult times, we often seek the opinion and approval of others who may agree with our perspective. However, without regard to how many people we can line up on our side, God's Word is never to be debated or voted on. The Bible is the *Word of Truth*. It says what it means and means what it says. Forsake all, put your hand in God's hand, and walk in His truth today.

Prayer for Today

I have been made by You, Lord, and I recognize that as my Creator You will always know what is best for me. Give me the strength in tough times to not allow myself to be persuaded by what the majority may say but to stay committed to Your truth as revealed in Your Word.

Scriptures for Today

John 17:17 Sanctify them by the truth; Your word is truth. (NKJV)

Psalms 119:30 I have chosen the way of truth; I have set my heart on Your laws. (NIV)

Romans 3:4 ... Indeed, let God be true but every man a liar. As it is written: "That you may be justified in your words, and may overcome when you are judged." (NKJV)

1 Corinthians 1:20 So where does this leave the philosophers, the scholars, and the world's brilliant debaters? God has made the wisdom of this world look foolish. (NLT)