## Meditation On Voting: When Voting Is Excommunication; You Are What You Vote For.

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## Introduction Scripture Meditation:

"If the people of the land condone the (murder of children) ... I myself will turn against that individual ... and I will cut off (excommunicate) from their people both the wrongdoer and all who follow that person ..." Leviticus 20:4-6. Restated: "If the people of the land vote for abortion, I will excommunicate the all from My people." "You must never condone what I hate." See Jeremiah 44:4-10; Proverbs 13:5-6; Psalm 119:10; 139:21-22; Ben Sira 12:3-6. "You must never vote for what I loathe." See Ben Sira 17:26; Deuteronomy 32:16-19. "You must never tolerate what disgusts Me." See Leviticus 20:22-23; 20:13. "Hate what I hate; and love what I love." See Jeremiah 44:4-10; Psalm 119:163.

## My Meditation:

I have written a more lengthy list of God's decreed excommunications in scripture in a separate meditation essay on that topic. I left out from that essay the opening scripture passage regarding "If you condone the murder of children (abortion), then I will cut you off (excommunicate) from the people." I want to emphasize that particular portion of Leviticus 20 for this meditation on voting. Because God decreed He excommunicates those who "condone" sin, He most certainly therefore excommunicates all who vote to make 'legal' the murder of His unborn children, and all who vote to 'legalize' homosexuals. As I show in the later and lengthier meditation, there are other sins that excommunicate a person, but I want to emphasize those two simple examples in this meditation on voting for abortion and voting for homosexuals; both of which excommunicate you from the Covenant of God and His people. God has authored an "agreement" of His laws, the contract we call the Covenant. You must agree with God on all His commanded laws, or you did not validly make the agreement with God, are not in contract Covenant with Him, and thus are never in Covenant with Him.

In scripture God commands us to never tolerate the sins of others. "You shall ... judge your neighbor honestly. ... Reprove your neighbor openly so that you do not incur sin because of that person." Leviticus 19:15-17. Hence, God warned that if you tolerate the sins of your neighbor, then you become guilty of that person's sins. Some Bible texts translate that same text as "you share in the guilt of your neighbor if you fail to rebuke them plainly (frankly) for their sins." Tolerance of sin is itself that same sin. If you tolerate murder (abortion), then you are a murderer in God's eyes. If you tolerate fornication, then you are guilty of that sin. If you tolerate

adultery, then you are guilty of that same sin. And if you tolerate homosexuals, then you are guilty of that sin in the judgment of God. You are what you "condone," as God warned. You are excommunicated also when you tolerate a sin that excommunicates in scripture. Yet voting for any of those sins to be made 'legal' is much worse than mere "condoning" and thus much worse than mere "tolerance" of those sins. Voting for a sin in an affirmative act of approval to get those sins called 'legal' in the land. It is a much worse and grave mortal sin than mere "condoning" those same sins. Because "condoning" sin excommunicates you as God decreed, then voting excommunicates you much worse, if there was such a thing as worse excommunication. The point is that if one excommunicates, which God said it does, then the other, voting, definitely excommunicates. When you vote for abortion, you become guilty of all the murders resulting from and following from that vote. The same is true when you vote for homosexuals. You are what you vote for.

Again, God authored and offered an "agreement" of His every law called the Covenant. It is a contract "agreement" of His laws. The only way to validly make and stay in that agreement Covenant is to fully accept and obey all of His commanded laws, at all times. "This day the Lord, your God, is commanding you to observe these statutes and ordinances. Be careful, then, to observe them with your whole heart and with your whole being. Today you have accepted the Lord's agreement ... And today the Lord has accepted your agreement ..." Deuteronomy 26:16-18. We call this "offer and acceptance" in contract (covenant) law, or a "meeting of the minds in mutual informed agreement to the terms and conditions of the contract Covenant." Only those who vote in favor of God's laws can make agreement with God and remain in agreement with God. Those who vote to 'legalize' abortion or homosexuals cannot make agreement with God. They are not among His contract Covenant people. They are excommunicated.

There are some who try to hide behind 'popular opinion' of what should be 'legalized' to refuse to obey God's laws. They feel safer in the "defiant crowd" than in obeying God. They are no longer among God's Covenant people. "You shall not follow the crowd in doing wrong." Exodus 23:2. "But anyone who acts defiantly ... reviles the Lord, and shall be cut off (excommunicated) from among the people. For having despised the word of the Lord and broken his commandments, he must be cut off entirely and bear the punishment." Numbers 15:30-31. You must obey God's laws, not the 'laws' of men that contradict any of God's laws. "But the house of Israel rebelled against me ... They did not observe my statutes, and they rejected my ordinances that bring life to those who keep them. ... Then I said to their children in the wilderness: Do not follow the statutes of your parents. Do not keep their ordinances. ... I am the Lord, your God: follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances." Ezekiel 20:13-38. Then there are some who argue that they 'vote for a candidate who is against some of God's laws because they like the other policies of that candidate.' That is mortal sin. You can never vote for a person who is in favor of abortion, nor in favor of homosexuals. Those sins excom-

municate that person and all who vote for them. Moreover, a person who is excommunicated, as they are, cannot validly hold public offices of trust in God's true Covenant law. Thus they cannot be recognized as lawfully in office by God's contract Covenant people. They must be rejected and treated as "dead" to God and to all God's people; that is the meaning of excommunication in scripture. And then there are those who dare make false moral 'equivalents' between voting for abortion and voting in favor of the death penalty. God commanded the death penalty for murderers in scripture, repeatedly and clearly. It is His contract Covenant required law. You must agree with God to be in agreement with God. Or you are not in His Covenant. Accordingly, a person cannot vote for a candidate who favors abortion, saying to themselves that the other candidate also 'favors murder' by favoring the death penalty. It is mortal sin, and a false moral equivalence. You cannot validly make God's contract agreement with that lie of false moral equivalence between abortion and the death penalty for murderers.

## **Closing Summary Meditation:**

"Woe to those who vote for sins to be made 'lawful,' for I will hold you accountable for all sins resulting from that vote. Those who vote for abortion are themselves guilty of the murders. The same is true of every other sin. I will hold you accountable for your votes. You must vote only for My laws, never for any 'laws' that violate My commanded laws. I am Lord."