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Election Day – A Day to Shift November 8, 2016 Suzi Armstrong

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Israel saw the land as her own, *not* in relation to God. Repeatedly in the prophets we read how God desired to gather fruit from His vineyard, Israel, but she was interested in getting the fruit for herself. It was not what she could be unto God, but what God's gifts and blessings could mean to her.

So she had little heart for driving out the nations around her; she made treaties with them and soon reaped the judgment which God had warned as the sure result of being yoked with the ungodly. The very nations she should have taken captive rose up to take Israel captive. ...be awakened and see the need for possessing the land. So God in His own sovereign timing raised up King David to unify the tribes into a nation; and finally King Solomon was used to bring the kingdom into the greatest glory any nation had ever known. ...Israel was to be a visible example of the blessedness of a people who honor and sanctify the Lord God. ...Israel became a glorious kingdom who built the house of prayer for all nations. ...instead of becoming a priesthood people to all nations of the world, it was not long before Israel misused the temple for herself and refused to allow the Gentiles to enter their own court. ...Yes, she possessed the land and built the temple – but only for herself. She settled down to be the *object* of His blessing instead of becoming the *channel* of His blessing. Those who live in unto themselves can only live in the immediate time-stream; for what they see is only related to them and their immediate welfare.

But why all this emptiness and artificiality? It is simply that we have tried to change our minds without having a change of heart or nature. The New Testament standard of conversion demands regeneration... God cannot change the heart and nature where there has been no governmental change – no turning from our own lordship to His Lordship [dying to self and alive to God – Romans 6]. With a true change of government comes a change of purpose and appetite. ...God's way then is to change our inner being – to make us partakers of His divine nature.



Today we elect a new president for our nation. We have an open heaven. We can hear the sound of heaven over our nation today and release that sound. There is a sound and a word of God's kingdom that we can decree and declare into our land. God has set eternity in our hearts so we see through the lens of God's eternal purpose. There is no fear in our hearts because our faith and trust are in God Almighty. There is purpose and destiny that the Lord has for our nation. And there is a war over our nation in the heavenlies. This election process has been one of shaking and exposure of the candidates, of powers and principalities operating in our nation and of the church not rightly aligned to God Himself.



2 Chronicles 7.14 NIV

If My people, who are **called by My name**, will **humble themselves** and **pray and seek My face** and **turn** from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will **heal their land**.

- We release all of our opinions and agendas.
- We humble ourselves by dying to self, turning from our own selfish and wicked ways.
- We seek Your face and honor You our God and King.
- We pray for our nation and specifically today's election. We cry out Your kingdom to come and Your will to be done. Let structures of control and power that have held our nation captive be broken today. Heal our land.



Psalm 24.1-2 NIV

¹ The **earth is the LORD's**, and **everything in it**, the world, and **all who live in it**;

² for **he founded it** on the seas and **established it** on the waters.

- This nation belongs to You. The earth is Yours and everything in it.
- We speak life to our nation and liberty to the land.

Psalm 24.9-10 NIV

⁹ Lift up your heads, you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, **that the King of glory may come in.**

¹⁰ Who is he, this King of glory?

The LORD Almighty— he is the King of glory.

- We speak to the gates of this nation and say open up that the King of Glory may come in.
- We make place for You, King of Glory; we say this nation belongs to You.
- We declare that the sound of heaven is invading this land right NOW. And the sound of heaven supersedes every other voice and sound.

Hebrews 6.6-12 NIV

⁶ Therefore since it still remains for some to enter that rest, and since those who formerly had the good news proclaimed to them did not go in because of their disobedience, ⁷ God again set a certain day, calling it "Today." This he did when a long time later he spoke through David, as in the passage already quoted:

"Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts."

⁸ For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day. ⁹ There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; ¹⁰ for **anyone who enters God's rest also rests from their works**, just as God did from his. ¹¹ Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience.

¹² For **the word of God is alive and active.**

Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

- Lord, our hearts are open to hear Your voice and to proclaim Your word over our nation.
- We will not harden our hearts or resist You.
- We have stopped our own works and rest in the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross.
- We send Your word into the land – Your word is alive and active and it penetrates. Your word prevails.



Hebrews 12.25-29 NIV

²⁵ See to it that you **do not refuse him who speaks**. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven? ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, **"Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens."** ²⁷ The words "once more" indicate **the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain.**

²⁸ Therefore, since **we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,** ²⁹ **for our "God is a consuming fire."**

- Kelli Hughes texted me this morning saying, "during prayer I saw darkness over the Great Lakes states/regions. It had sunk its fangs into the region. I could not get it to go away at first. The only way I could dispel it was by declaring it be broken, like the way a wisdom tooth is removed."
- We join with Kelli declaring this darkness is broken over our state and region. Evil and darkness are broken by the word of God which is a hammer and breaks what that would try to stand against God and His purposes.
- Once again, there is a war over this specific part of our nation because Detroit and Michigan are a land of influence and as Michigan goes so goes the nation. We even see in the natural a great war in the election over Michigan.
 - We declare that the word of truth and righteousness is being broadcast in the airwaves from Michigan into the rest of the nation.
 - We declare the sound of heaven and the roar of the Lion of Judah over the land.
 - We pray in the Spirit over this critical place and the sound from here to be pure and holy.
 - The heavens are open over Detroit and God's Kingdom has entered in. It is a New Day in Detroit! The King of Glory has come into this City and State. The trumpet of God has sounded over this land and we release that sound into the earth like the trumpet sound around Jericho that caused the walls to shatter and fall.
 - We can hear the sound of the River coming down. We rejoice in the sound of heaven. We welcome God's angels and His chariots of fire that watch over His word and take His word into the places it is sent.

Literally the sunrise broke through as I was writing this. I see this as a prophetic sign of the darkness breaking and light streaming in. Let God arise and enemy be scattered. "Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you – the land of Detroit. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn."



Isa 60.1-3

- From Detroit we send the light of God into our nation.
- Darkness is broken apart and uprooted – the Light has come.
- It is a brand new day, a day of shifting, a day of aligning to the sound of heaven.

1 John 3.8 NIV

He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. **The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.**

Colossians 2.6-8 NIV

⁶So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to **live your lives in him,** ⁷**rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith** as you were taught, and **overflowing with thankfulness.**

⁸**See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy,** which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

Philippians 3.3 NIV

For it is we who are the circumcision, **we who worship by the Spirit of God, who glory in Christ Jesus, and who put no confidence in the flesh—**

Joshua 1.2-3 NIV

²"Moses my servant is dead. Now then, you and all these people, get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give to them—to the Israelites. ³I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses.

- You are dead to sin and NOW then arise in resurrection power and take this land.
- I will give you every place you set your foot.



Isaiah 41.15-16 NIV

¹⁵“See, I will make you into a threshing sledge, new and sharp, with many teeth. You will thresh the mountains and crush them, and reduce the hills to chaff. ¹⁶You will winnow them, the wind will pick them up, and a gale will blow them away. But you will rejoice in the LORD and glory in the Holy One of Israel.

