

It's the Messiah!



No, it's the Archangel Michael!

Oh, it's only 'The Donald'.

So what were you expecting?

I used my shameful desecration of Guido Reni's Baroque masterpiece of the Archangel Michael defeating and chaining Satan in another short commentary just prior to the Great Election of November 2024. That was in the hope of encouraging reluctant voters that it was no sin to vote for the lesser of two evils, and that

Trump was, without doubt, the lesser of evils in the election. And, furthermore, that not voting at all because Trump was, like the rest of us, a flawed character, was equivalent to voting for a regime of demonic evil that ...well, thank God that catastrophe was averted!

Now, with all the carefree exuberance over a battle won, and a "Golden Age" dawning, I'm using it again to remind 'us', those who broadly support President Trump and MAGA objectives, that Donald Trump is not the Messiah, not even an archangel; and Satan, I am afraid, is not bound. No, Satan will continue his vendetta against God and mankind with ever more vigor, supported by the lavish generosity and unflagging efforts of his captives. President Trump will be subject to Satan's attacks and deceptions and, as he did in his first administration, will sometimes err in his judgment and bungle in some of his objectives. He will be wrestling not only external evils, but those in his own soul, something I suggested with the hair transplant from Trump's golden orange locks to Satan's balding pate. Surely we must support his administration with our prayers and watchcare, and not fall into complacency or uncritical partisanship as the Democrats do.

I don't say these things to denigrate him, only to remind us that Donald Trump is only a man, after all. Certainly an extraordinary man, and raised up by God for these times I firmly believe. His first election was at least a minor miracle, and his ability to stay in office and appoint three Supreme Court Justices in one term was unprecedented and, in my opinion, miraculous. That was, I believe, the answer to

the prayers of millions over the decades for the end of the Roe V. Wade nightmare. I like to think God still has His hands on President Trump and intends good for our country, and that the near miss of an assassin's bullet was proof of that; but, I also know that when a people raise up one of their own like some of us are raising up Donald Trump almost as a god, they are entering dangerous waters. And we are in dangerous waters to be sure.

Despite the happy talk, no great change has come over the country; Trump did not win in a 'landslide'. Maybe we could hail the electoral vote as a landslide, but he won only a very spare majority of the popular vote (roughly 77 to 75 million votes) and has only a thin majority in the House. And even though some states have restricted abortion after the demise of Roe v. Wade, others have fostered it to the degree there are now more abortions than before. We need to realize that evil will not quit the battlefield over a lost battle, and that a close one.

It is sobering to realize there are upwards of 70 millions in this country whose 'good' is our 'evil', and whose 'evil' is our 'good'. Upwards of seventy millions of souls who "love death", for as the voice of Godly Wisdom warns us "all they that hate me (Godly Wisdom) love death." (Proverbs 8:36)

As long as there is that sharp divide, there will be no peace in America. But there is hope that a virtuous Trump/Republican administration will tip the scales toward the 'right'. But the reverse is also true.