

## US Election 2020 – Another Contest at Mount Carmel?

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*“And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, ‘Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy Word. Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people may know that thou art the Lord God, and that thou has turned their heart back again.’” (1 Kings 18:36-37, King James Version Bible)*

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The votes have been cast, they are being counted and the results have been subject to false starts and walkbacks by both sides. The preeminent nation of the United States waits, as is the rest of the world, who among President Donald Trump and Former Vice President Joe Biden will lead the country in the next four years. We have seen the world go through a whirlwind the last year, as if the three years preceding that were not already mind-boggling enough. But, can you expect that 2020 for all it is worth, with the threat of a nuclear war precipitated by conflict in the Middle East, Wuhan/coronavirus pandemic, market turmoil, lockdowns and now the election debacle unfolding, be getting ready for the real climax?

Wait, did we not climax already? I need my blood pressure pills ages ago! Well, there is still coming something that could be even more mind-blowing.

President Trump, love him or loathe him, there is no middle ground. He is larger than life, he is full of energy, his speech is uncouth and some may think he is mentally deranged or at least erratic. He has been in the White House for two months short of four years, being probably the biggest mover and shaker of the world during this time. Like the reality TV star he is on his own “The Apprentice”, but this time the workplace is his world, we have seen him throw his weight around, getting things done but knocking some noses out of joint. The media commentary has polarised the audience to taking sides, unless one lives under a rock or in a remote area with no contact with the outside world.

He has suffered slings and arrows and even proverbial bombs from his enemies and the public. They accused him of being a Russian agent to win the election, a racist, sexist, someone who is unintelligent, uncultured and completely unbecoming of a President. They tried to impeach him, accused him of bungling the management of a pandemic that, thankfully, killed less people worldwide than historic pandemics. Almost no second of the day passes without someone wishing that this man would drop dead and the world will be rainbows and lollipops (seriously, I think there are lots of people who hold this simplistic, immature and downright stupid view).

Before the election, President Trump had warned about the dangers of voter fraud due to the expected use of mail-in ballots in several states that had not yet reopened due to the virus. Not surprisingly these were states run by Democrat governors. Attempts to introduce voter ID to ensure that only eligible voters could vote had been unsuccessful. Furthermore, several states run by Democrat governors including Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Wisconsin sought to extend the time that votes could be mailed after the election and that there may be delayed reporting of results to allow late vote return to be included. The recipe for an unfair election seems to be in play to anyone except for those who seriously wanted President Trump out by any means necessary. The media and social media lit up with mockery that President Trump was suppressing votes and threatening democracy, especially as they claim they have evidence he will be soundly defeated.

Now, the election. The counting began and it seemed like President Trump was racing ahead in some battleground states in Southeastern US and behind in some key states in the Mid-West. Many held their bated breath as it seemed like perhaps President Trump could lose this election because he is unlikely to gain the East Coast and West Coast states that are solidly Democrat. If that is the case, Wisconsin and Michigan, where counting has not yet started may not slip out of his grasp. And then Pennsylvania, with 20 electoral votes, may also be lost. This would be a certain defeat if that were all to happen.

Three hours into the counting, Florida seemed to be looking very solid for the Republicans while the bellwether state of Ohio that had initially seemed to be headed to fall into Democrat hands turned to being marginally Republican and the lead solidified. Supporters of President Trump began to take heart that this election should seem solid and a victory is a matter of letting things pan out.

The corporate media that had spent over four and a half years trashing President Trump began to sound more negative. They lambasted the polling companies that provided them with the talking points that the nation will see candidate Biden take the White House, retain the House and even flip the Senate to them, because the voting trends in the battleground states were not only wrong, but it showed a more solid win for the Republicans. So that was the first bunch on the cabal of the leftists to be crushed under their spluttering juggernaut. The progressive alternative media such as The Young Turks began to blast moderate Democrats for bringing on a candidate like Biden who was such a failure. They argued that the progressives like The Squad should take over the Democrat Party and steer them to victory four years later. The infighting begins.

As Michigan and Wisconsin voting counts start taking form, the Republicans seemed to power ahead. By now, it was in the early hours of the morning. Candidate Biden came out announcing he believes he has a path to victory. The lead for the Republicans in the battleground states that had been solid began to dwindle bit by bit as mail-in votes from Democrats who largely feared the virus started coming in. President Trump came out around 2am saying that he believed he had won, but that the election may be stolen by fraudulent mail-in ballots. The President made a reference about watching for ballot drops at 4am. This

left the media obviously outraged at such a shocking claim. What type of ridiculous statement is that? Another one of the President's brain malfunction moment that everyone is used to?

Then, not long into 4am, Michigan and Wisconsin vote numbers experienced a detectable anomaly as a dump of 100 000-150 000 votes for the Democrats came through in a moment, with not a single vote added to the Republican tally. The social media sphere began to send this around and it went viral. As Trump supporters who had gone to bed early woke up (though many stayed awake the whole night and also around the world), they saw their lead dwindle. The same thing was happening in Arizona, Georgia and North Carolina. Something did not feel right.

Obviously, the media ignored such anomalies and continued to talk about how a Biden presidency would start to become even more possible. The counting continued and sure enough, these states began to see Democrats catching up. Arizona then, to the shock of many Republicans, was declared to be a Democrat gain. This looked dire. Georgia and North Carolina were not declared as Republican. Biden was leading in the tally by a solid margin. President Trump, as expected, have tweeted many times that he believes that there is serious attempts by the Democrat Party to steal the election from him with mail-in ballots. He seems to show clear signs that he will not accept the result of the election and he will contest it due to the way it is unfolding. To add insult to injury, leaders in nations like China, Iran and Nicaragua have broadcasted their mocking views on how President Trump is no better than the third world dictators that he had condemned and also that his demise is certain.

I could go on with more of the details, but this is something many people know all too well as they had followed it almost hour by hour.

What I want to talk about is what may well happen ahead.

President Trump's predictions that mail-in ballots would muddy the water of the election seem to have played out. He has stated it before, highlighted it as counts emerged and he will repeat it especially as his comfortable leads are whittled down. This all seems to set the scene that he is refusing to give in to the results. But, as the evidence becomes more overwhelming because with vote counting continuing, the trend is almost all pointing to Democrats gaining ground because of mail-in ballots as time drags on, he does not seem to be making the call to refuse to concede. The media will clearly double down on accusing the President as he drums up his claim, thus creating a greater international sensation. People who initially had not been particularly interested in the election will soon have to pay attention since something of this magnitude has never happened before.

What if I suggest that President Trump may well be delivering his most astounding act ever? Because I suspect, and many of his supporters especially in the dubbed conspiracy cult of QAnon, that is what is going on.

President Trump has talked for some time about his doubts about the voting process in the country even as he headed into the 2018 Mid-Term Election where the Republican Party lost the House in a rather resounding defeat yet interestingly gained two seats in the Senate and solidified their slim majority. Social media has circulated reports of vote counting

irregularities and videos showing questionable conduct of polling booth staff. What if I am to suggest that his team had used the Mid-Term election as a trial run to see what types of problems arise that he needed to pay attention to? After all, it was after this election that he renewed calls for voter ID, which the Democrats strongly opposed using reasons of racism and that it was not necessary, etc. With this route seemingly a dead-end, an alternative must be tried.

**At this point, if you are reading this before the results are finalised, I issue my personal opinion spoiler alert. Otherwise, read on.**

President Trump is no fool, nor is his team. With the administration's undisputable record of achieving across economy, geopolitical and even on social aspects (arguable in a normative sense depending on your political and spiritual leanings), this administration has some very intelligent, dedicated and competent individuals. Out of these people, do you think they will let an impending trainwreck occur miles ahead and not come up with an idea to stop it? If you think so, then it is very sad.

What if the key to securing the election is in the ballot paper?

Whoever is eligible to vote will be able to receive a valid ballot paper either in-person, absentee or by mail. Those who wish to stuff the ballots will have to try to gain access to this, or try to counterfeit their own en-masse. The latter strategy is clearly the more expedient and easier way and it seems like the evidence points to this strategy being the one that is being heavily implemented this time. But it will fail and is easily detected.

So, to secure the election, all the Trump administration needs to do is to allow the ballots to be counted, then contest its validity before ordering a recount to obtain the actual result. But, how to do it so it is a convincing and final decision?

President Trump is the main actor and he has the ability to draw a crowd, whether admirers or those who despise him. He needs the help of the media and the social media who act as his accusers and mockers. So, we have the setting of the perfect conflict leading to a showdown. President Trump will rope in the media to bring in the crowd to watch the show of how he will get down to the bottom of the numbers that point to him being defeated in the election. He will likely take this to the Supreme Court in front of a panel of judges. Some will sneer at how this man is simply petulant and he is every bit the immature idiot that they have convinced themselves to be all this time. They expect that he will be shown to be a fraud, as he fails to prove the election was rigged. Others will be apprehensive, that perhaps he is on above his head and feel sorry that he will fight a losing battle. And still, a few, will know that he led the world to this Mount Carmel moment to show the world exactly what is going on.

The moment of truth could be right in front the eyes of the world in the Supreme Court with its panel of nine judges chosen over the last 25 years with different backgrounds and ideological leanings. President Trump will have to demonstrate his case for calling the voter fraud that was rampant and enough to wipe out his chances of running the nation for four more years. Will he have that ballot paper or some other form of proof to show that the election was rigged? Should the evidence be presented, it must be so objective, so

unambiguous that the onus is back on every individual to decide whether they will take the truth or they will continue to believe what they want to believe.

At this point, the judges will no doubt approve of a national recount to be conducted and the true result (with the irregularities of those who did get their hands on the genuine ballot paper slipping through) will be known – a resounding victory for President Trump that none can dispute.

Should all this happen, all his enemies – the Democrat Party, the leaders of hostile nations that have been gloating about the election, the media executives and reporters, the social media executives, the banking and business elite of the World Economic Forum and other global think-tanks and even the false Christian leaders who had trodden on President Trump to demonstrate their hypocrisy and false morals, would have nowhere to hide. They had pushed themselves into the corner, they had deceived the masses and the lie was so big. They will be like the Baal prophets who had mesmerised the people with their lies, threats, murders and corruption in order to help themselves. These people had stolen most of the world's wealth in the pretence of helping the poor, promoted loose morals in their lifestyle to set the culture and pulled the strings of governments and institutions behind the scenes causing death, destruction and sorrow. Their deeds have already been uncovered, but not yet made fully public. We have in waiting the deleted Clinton emails, Hunter Biden's hard drives, Anthony Weiner's emails and countless more hidden evidence that will no doubt see the light. By then, one by one, the world will turn on them, and it will not be pretty.

Again, this is my personal opinion and variants of what will unfold are very likely. Something else may well turn out, and that even despite President Trump's best efforts, he will have to concede he has lost. Regardless, we may want to once more think about what we grew up believing and how much of what we are told, especially by those promoted in the media, are trustworthy.

And finally, I can attest to one thing with utmost confidence. The Lord God who created this earth and gave His Plan in the Holy Bible is in control of all that happens. Where will we stand with Him, even as we may be on one side or the other should President Trump take his case to the Supreme Court?