

## Theological Musings from Dave's Laptop

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My friends,

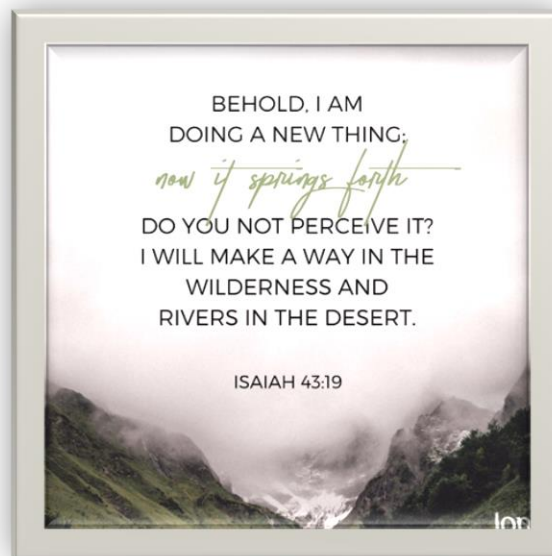
As we pray for our nation and for its leaders in this tumultuous and horrific week, it seems to me that there is genuine cause for Hope in this present darkness.

It will be no news for me to note that our nation was founded from the first upon black enslavement and white supremacy, and a great many of the convulsions through which the nation has passed ever since have been related to various efforts to excise this cancer. Those who benefit from privilege and unfair advantage seldom yield them willingly, and it seems to me that our current convulsion is of this sort.

In my view, "Stop the Steal" really has very little to do with an election. At its root, it has to do with the white privilege and white supremacy that lies at the core of the self-concept of its proponents . . . whether they realize this or not.

The Good News and the Hope that I sense lie in the fact that the nation's institutions have held thus far against what I hope might be the death throes of this continuing white supremacist backlash. By God's grace, what we are experiencing can be, not the death anguish of the Republic, but the birth pains of a nation that finally *will* offer "freedom and justice for all."

Pray on!



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*For the Joyful Heart, it is Festival Always (Proverbs 15:15).*

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