

“We do not have government by the majority. We have government by the majority who participate.”

—Thomas Jefferson

Join us to pray about this issue, with practical plans and biblical prayer points.

# Protecting the Vote

An IFA Special Report



## Protecting the vote preserves the Republic

**Voter fraud and dirty tricks are not just a recent political problem.** There are many examples of elections through the years that were “stolen” by a shady and greedy candidate.

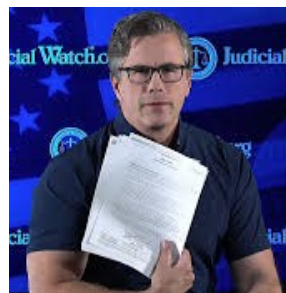
The [Johnson Amendment](#) resulted from efforts to squelch the influence of conservative organizations in the 1954 primary election then-Senator Lyndon Johnson faced against Dudley Dougherty. (In 1948, Johnson was first elected Senator through [ballot fraud](#).) Johnson hoped to limit the influence of tax-exempt 501c3 organizations who favored his opponent in his election. The Johnson Amendment has almost completely silenced pastors and churches from speaking about politics. It has recently been weakened but not completely repealed.

**Election tampering is still a problem and may be more widespread, more brazen, and more creative.** There are now multiple avenues for voter fraud. Unauthorized (illegal or dead) voters. Ballot and voting machine rigging. Ballot harvesting. Misinformation and false voting guides. Search engine manipulation. Social media suppression. Physical intimidation at polls. How can we be sure that our election is fair and free?

The stakes are high in 2020. In fact, the COVID-19 situation has given the perfect cover to fundamentally change our voting processes. [Eric Holder](#), Obama administration Attorney General, who has been working behind the scenes in redistricting, said, “Coronavirus gives us an opportunity to revamp our electoral system.” Even if we agreed that it needs to be revamped, how is the critical question.

**Our prayer and action can help strategically affect the plans of the enemy to twist truth and “steal, kill and destroy.”** Familiarize yourself with the vulnerabilities, get involved in the process, and pray.

### 7 methods of election tampering that need your prayer



**1. Unauthorized Voting**  
[CBN](#) reports that “America has 3.5 million more voters than eligible adult citizens.” The requirement for showing identification at polling locations is different from locale to locale. With illegal aliens now permitted to get a driver’s license in many states, even voter ID by drivers license is not fool-

proof. [Project Veritas](#) shared an undercover video of voters and poll workers in New Hampshire allowing out of state voters with no ID and no residency to vote immediately. This is still happening in 2020 even after exposure in the 2016 election. According to [Tom Fitton](#) from [Judicial Watch](#) (above), 11 counties in California have registration rates exceeding the number of eligible voting-age citizens. **In Los Angeles County alone, 1 out of every 5 registrations belongs to someone who is either dead or has moved.** Judicial Watch won a lawsuit to clean up the rolls in California, but the jury is out to see whether the state will comply with the National Voter Registration Act (NRVA). Pray [Proverbs 6:16-19](#).

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# Pray for elections to be fair, honest, and without corruption. Pray Prv 16:13.

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## 2. Ballot and Machine Rigging

It goes without saying that a vote is only good if it is protected and counted. If you vote for Candidate A and your vote is switched behind the scenes for Candidate B, you will never know, and your vote is stolen. Since the dawn of electronic voting machines and even “vote by mobile phone,” the opportunities for hacking, fraud, and rigging have increased. At a “Black Hat” convention, [security experts](#) demonstrated a security flaw that allowed casting multiple votes. Even an [11-year old](#) was able to hack the system in minutes.

There have been many reports of voters noticing that a candidate other than the one they cast the ballot for showed up on the screen or on their receipt. Coincidence? There are multiple points of vulnerability in the electronic election process which make it at risk for inappropriate access or tampering:

- Voter registration systems
- Voter registration database storage
- Voter records at polling places
- Voting machines
- Vote tabulation

All of these points of vulnerability have the same thing in common—potential exposure to the internet for tampering and manipulation. Varying or lax security protocols and human error in following them is also a concern for protecting the election process. Pray [Proverbs 12:22](#).

## 3. Ballot Harvesting



Third party collection of paper votes which are then submitted to polling officials is supposed to streamline the process and help increase voter turnout. Consider the potential harm when votes are entrusted to activists and political

operatives. Despite the many concerns raised, this use of ballot harvesting has increased. Democrats, usually favor ballot harvesting, for the purpose of inclusion; laws have been quietly passed in heavily Democratic states such as California, legalizing what some call “the new way to steal an election.” It’s easy to call and order ballots on behalf of someone, [steal if from the mailbox](#), complete it, and illegally vote on their behalf. Ballot harvesting has become [big business](#). Ballots [delivered on election day](#) and provide another means of “ballot stuffing” by producing what is needed according to the polls to put their candidate over the top. New mail-in ballot processes also pose potential problems. Pray [Leviticus 19:11](#).

## 4. Misinformation and Fraudulent Voter Guides

[Texas churchgoers](#) who were diligently seeking to vote biblical values by consulting a popular voting guide were surprised to find out that the voter guide their church was distributing was in fact a fake. “Bait and Switch” voter guides are a new and creative way to deceive people about the candidates’ positions on important issues for values-oriented voters. We have come to expect outright lying in political advertising. But, there have also been robocalls and mailings that claim that a voting day or location has been changed in order to confuse and thwart the vote of potential voters of opposing candidates.

Pray [Proverbs 19:9](#).

## 5. Search Engine Manipulation



Psychologist and author **Dr. Robert Epstein** (left) testified before Congress to share his findings and concerns about the influence that search engines can have on elections, as seen in the 2016 election. According to the research of his team at the [American Institute of Research and Technology](#), they discovered **at least three ways that a**

**search engine (Google, YouTube, Facebook and others) might swing undecided voters**, without any knowledge of the one being swayed.

**A. Blacklisting.** Google has at least ten different blacklists—they can block access to websites without users being aware.

**B. Search engine demoting and promoting.** Google wields so much power in the ranking of search results that actually amounts to censorship. In a critical time like an election, these rankings can be very effective in diverting voter interest and suppressing other candidates’ messages. A secret company called [The Groundwork](#) was created with Eric Schmidt, head of Google, and Obama officials with the express purpose of electing Hillary Clinton. Schmidt even wrote Clinton, offering to supervise their tech operations for the Clinton campaign. This was discovered in the recently published Clinton emails.

**C. Surveillance.** With so many organizations and companies using Google services for documents and other functions, the Google servers have become a treasure trove of information for those who want to spy on opponents.

Even left-leaning media outlets like [WIRED](#) reported concern for the massive control that Google can exert in the election process with the headline, “[Google’s Search Algorithm Could Steal the Presidency](#).” That says it all. Pray [2 Peter 2:19](#).

# Pray that Christians would be more engaged in the voting process. Pray Mt 5:13-16.

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## 6. Social Media Suppression and Control

If search engine manipulation isn't enough to shift focus onto Google's chosen candidates, social media will further censor the message of opponents. Researchers at **Facebook** exposed 61 million users to a "get out the vote" message during the 2010 congressional races and found they were easily able to generate 340,000 extra votes across the board. This test opened the door for Facebook to begin their intervention, all while claiming it is nothing more than organic algorithms. Algorithms reflect the ideals and values of those



writing them, and as we have seen with [whistleblower stories coming out of Project Veritas](#), there has been much intentional intervention in the algorithms on Facebook. Facebook can tailor the group that receives a message—sending specific messaging for an issue or candidate to a specific audience. [Harvard Law professor Jonathan Zittrain](#) calls it "[digital gerrymandering](#)." Pray [James 3:16](#).

## 7. Strong-arm Certification of an Election.

We saw this happen in several races in 2018. Polls closed, votes were in, and apparent winners were declared. Then, mysteriously, additional votes were "found," and more "found," until the opponent overcame the margin of votes needed to claim victory. At that point the election was immediately certified. Suspicious wins with these characteristics took place in New Mexico, [Texas](#), California, and [North Carolina](#) to name a few. Who can forget the video of the



[boxes of ballots](#) pulled out of the back of rental cars on the election night in Florida? (See left) [Brenda Snipes](#), Election Supervisor of Broward County, is famous for questionable activity. Even under investigation, she served for years in her role until

her resignation in November of 2018.

Pray [Exodus 20:16](#).

## ELECTION FRAUD BY THE NUMBERS



*Figures from [The Heritage Foundation](#)*

## Does one fraudulent vote really matter?

Think that a fraudulent vote here and there won't really make a difference? Will one vote really alter the outcome of an election? You may be surprised to find out, YES! In [Ohio](#) for instance, in the time period of 2013 to 2017, 56 elections resulted in a tie and 86 elections were decided by one vote. Duplicate voting, illegal voting, easy to do in many cases, and easy to miss for poll workers, can alter the results. Ohio is not the only state with these kinds of incidents. The [Heritage Foundation](#) reports that Illinois, Iowa, New Hampshire, and others show similar situations where fraudulent voting resulted in a different outcome.



