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5. ***Did we foolishly think*** that a certain political party would rescue us and turn our nation into a conservative paradise of justice and morality (Jer. 17:5)?
6. ***Our mission is not to save the doomed Titanic*** (our world system) but to throw out the lifeline that individuals might be rescued (Acts 26:18; Jude 23).
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