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### Why Do The Heathen Rage?

“Why do the heathen rage . . . ?” is an excerpt from Psalms 2:1, (KJV). Rage. Grammatically, rage can be understood in two ways as follow: noun, which is person, place, or thing; and a verb, showing action. As a noun, it can be violent, uncontrollable anger. As a verb, feel, or express violent uncontrollable anger. In neither case is there any expression of peace.

In the present post-presidential election scenario, we see the heathen raging and seeking to foment rage in others only because the election did not turn out as they hoped. Violence in the streets exhibited through riots, beatings and the like, and raging extending to fund-raising to challenge the vote results from three states. Interestingly, the push to challenge the vote results is headed by a person defeated in the presidential election who represented the ‘Green Party,’ and joined by the Democratic presidential nominee, even though the Democratic nominee lost and conceded to the winner.

The two factions, liberal and conservatives are exhibited in the scenario. The liberals’ expression of rage because their candidate did not win is, in this writer’s opinion, very well described in a statement of the late Larry Kramer, activist homosexual, ‘If you do not give us what we want, we’re gonna take!’ The heathen try to force the downward spiral of the society to become more deeply entrenched in sin and degradation, even though doing so is to their own undoing. They rage against anything trying to stop them in their endeavors, which are divisive. The ‘conservative’ watches the entire affair unfold, solid in their stance, and when tables are turned, and have not seen their candidate win have not turned out in the streets in riots; they have held the higher ground and waited.

The foundation of rage is hate; so, why to the heathen rage? Because they hate.