

## IS BEING POLITICAL BIBLICAL?

The real battlefield for Christians is government. It is not the homeless issue. It is not the school issue. It is not godless entertainment or fake news. These issues and more are all being

manipulated by anti-Christian, man-made laws we are being forced to obey.

Inalienable rights are being written out of every sector of society making the illegal legal: abortion, samesex marriage, transgender operations, etc. All three branches of government - Executive, Legislative and Judicial - are in danger of becoming godless and reprobate.

Politics is not a dirty word. The definition of politics is governmental authority over a land. It deals with elections and laws that determine how we live. Government operates within a system of parties, issues, laws, people, agendas, special interests, lobbyists and more. That is neither good nor bad in and of itself.

Jesus said, "All authority has been given to Me in Heaven and on earth." (Matthew 28:18 NKJV). He exercises His authority through us, as His body. When we ignore His governmental authority, a void is created that is quickly filled with evil - and evil corrupts. Because of this, politics has become a dumpster collecting unimaginable, detestable laws. Believers run, hoping to avoid the stench. Or, they are flat-out in denial the evil is real, and corruption is happening.

Imagine a house on fire. Christians are the firemen. We are to fight the fire and save the people – this is Salvation, it's the Gospel, it's our job. We are not to run from the blaze; but that is exactly what we have done. Fires of corruption have overtaken America.

Christians are deluded into believing that getting involved is someone else's responsibility. Some Christians believe we are not to be in politics at all, and the Bible prohibits this activity. This is deception by the enemy to keep you from expressing your governmental, God-given, and God-ordained authority. America is a unique governmental system of the people, by the people and for the people. When we hand our authority over to people who reject God, they indoctrinate our children, divide our communities, and destroy our heritage.

"Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ" (Colossians 2:8).

How do we quell these fires of corruption? We cut off the oxygen supply by filling the airways with praise and adoration to our God. But first, we approach God and confess the sin of our lack of involvement. Repentance breaks the power of the lies and welcomes God back into the culture. As we act on His behalf, we align permanently with His non-negotiable moral values and refuse to compromise.

Christians are God's political first responders. We run for office, we register to vote and vote biblically, we donate to candidates, we attend schoolboard meetings, we pray at statehouses, we conduct peaceful rallies, we oppose evil legislation, we write, we call, we vote the ungodly out of office, and when they try to shut down our churches, we resist and band together as a community of believers.

Each of us must decide and exercise our political and moral governmental authority. This means we speak, and we speak loudly. We assemble and we assemble freely. We petition and we petition often. We write and write honestly. We exercise our religious freedom to attend our churches and take the Gospel into the public square. We do not allow ungodly laws to inhibit our freedoms.

Bottom Line: The only thing standing in the way of the end of our nation is believers doing little to nothing. We trust that you care enough to take back His governmental authority and apply it to America.