

The Message Notes

Series: Kingdom and Politics

Message: *Kingdom Independent Voter*

Sunday: October 25, 2020

Scripture: Psalms 33:12



Introduction: This morning, we will discuss Kingdom Independent Voter, and the principles for Christ Followers to use when deciding who to vote for.

God and Government: Romans 13:1-2

- Government is instituted by God
- God places office-bearers as his servants
- Rebellion against government is rebellion against God

Purpose of Government: Proverbs 14:34, Daniel 2:21

- Government is to **protect** the people from lawlessness
- Government is to pass **righteous laws** that exalts a nation
- Government authorities are accountable to God
- Government is taken down and built up by God

Birth of a Nation – America

A. **Founders** of America

- religious, deists, and atheists (culture/church/compatible)
- freedom of religion (not a theocratic government)
- republic/democracy was an experiment

B. **Foundation** of America – Romans 1:28

- Declaration of Independence (equality, inherent value, rights)
- Core values: God, Laws, Religion, Family, Education, Work
- 21st Culture: departed, degraded, distorted (inaccurate)

C. **Faith** of America (church – influence – culture)

- We must seek and display – Matthew 6:33, Matthew 5:16
- We must pray – Matthew 6:9, I Timothy 2:1-4
- We must educate – Proverbs 1:7

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Psalms 33:12 NKJV. Blessed is the **nation** whose God is the **Lord**, The people He has **chosen** as His **own inheritance**.

PT1. Jesus initiated a _____ movement

Matthew 24:14 NKJV. “And this **gospel** of the **kingdom** will be preached in all the **world** as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.”

- Jesus **deploys** His followers to preach the kingdom: Matthew 10:7
- Jesus' kingdom comes in **two phases**: Luke 17:20-21
- Jesus' kingdom is **unshakable**: Hebrews 12:28

PT2. Christ followers are kingdom _____

Mark 1:14b. Jesus came to Galilee, **preaching** the **gospel** of the **kingdom** of God, **15.** and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the **kingdom** of God is at hand. **Repent**, and **believe** in the **gospel**." (NKJV)

- A. Citizenship is _____ – Philippians 3:20 NLT. But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior.
- B. Jesus Christ is _____ – Romans 10:9 NLT. If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.
- C. Ambassadors for _____ – 2 Corinthians 5:20 NLT. So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!"

Pause - take a break – **Ponder** – reflect on the Scriptures until you receive God's revelatory meaning.

PT3. Kingdom citizens are _____ voters

- A. They have no party affiliation – John 18:36
- B. They vote according to a kingdom agenda

Vote – Quid Pro Quo – an exchange for my support – "favor for a favor"

- C. They remain unified in Christ – 1 Corinthians 1:12-13

Group Talk - Action Items:

1. How will pause & ponder on Scriptures help you make political decisions?
2. How do you manifest the kingdom of God on earth?
3. What tangible ways do you show Jesus Christ is your Lord?
4. How will you continue Christ's political agenda?
5. What do you want for your vote (Quid Pro Quo)?
6. How does your vote reflect the kingdom of God's agenda?

Next Week: *Unity in Christ and Political Diversity*