

The Faith Script

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Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him! For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm. The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations. Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!

Ps.33:8-12 (ESV)

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Greetings CPFI members & friends!

Let's talk politics and yes, I do remember the old caveat that one should not mix politics with religion, but in this election year, I think it is appropriate for Christians to understand the need to be involved in the political process. This passage in Psalms reminds us that nations that stand in awe of the Lord and follow His commands will be blessed. There may be a place for Christian organizations to be involved in politics, but I want to limit this discussion to involvement by individual Christians in the process.

The passage goes on to say in v. 16-18 "The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength. The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue. Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love." It is our prayer that we listen to the candidates who could be the potential leaders of this country and understand the principles that they will promote in their administration. As Christians, we should support a candidate that advocates for traditional values, especially those that emphasize the sanctity of human life, the importance of strong families and the defense of marriage being between one man and one woman. This passage emphasizes that God's eyes will be on those who fear Him, and place their hope in Him.

Should Christians be involved in politics? Absolutely! Should their Christian viewpoint be the only issues they pursue in this involvement? No, but Christians should shape their decisions to support a candidate or party position based on their Christian worldview and not be ashamed to do so. In other words we should NOT be ashamed to proclaim to the world what our values are. In Mathew 5:15-16, Jesus tells us "Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

The scriptures exhort us to love the Lord, love our neighbors, follow the ten commandments and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ! Many of the freedoms we enjoy in the USA are based on Judeo-Christian principles and it is up to us to insure that our elected leaders have these same commitments. Being involved in the political process is both a responsibility and an opportunity to be "salt and light" in our nation as we promote policies that glorify God and further the Christian world view.

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