

The Christian and
Civil Government:
His Role and Responsibility

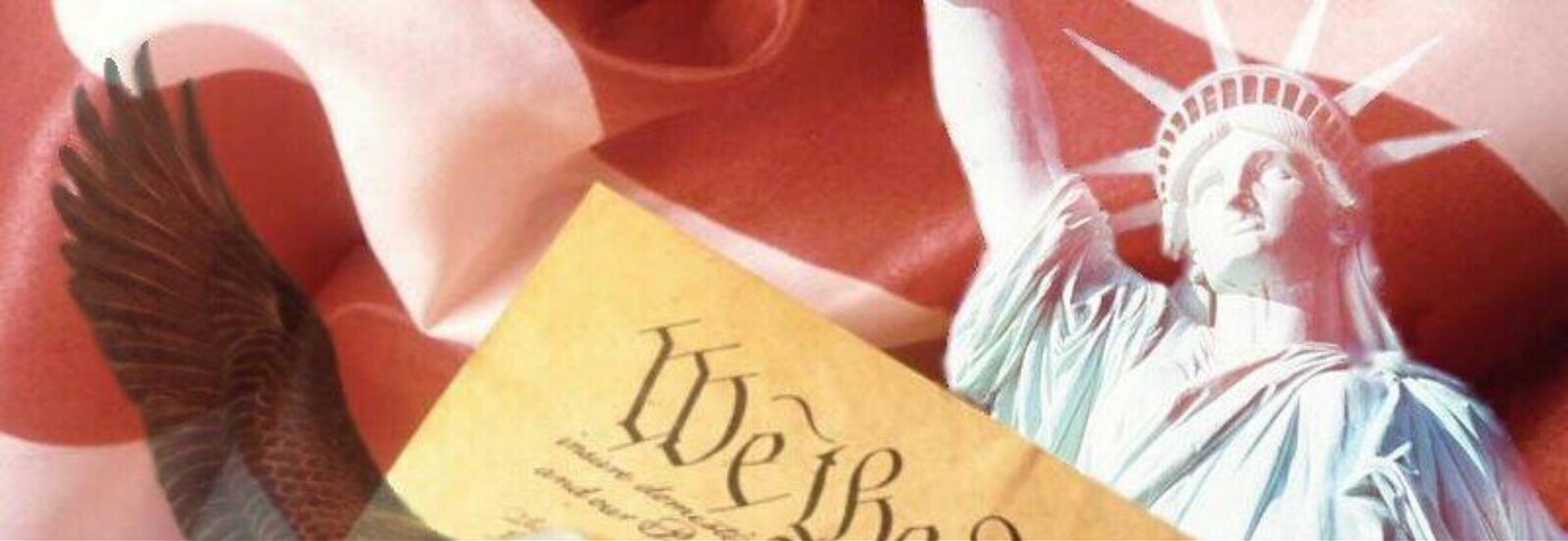


The Christian's Duty To Civil Government



Teaching Of Jesus

(Mt. 17:24-27; 22:15-22)



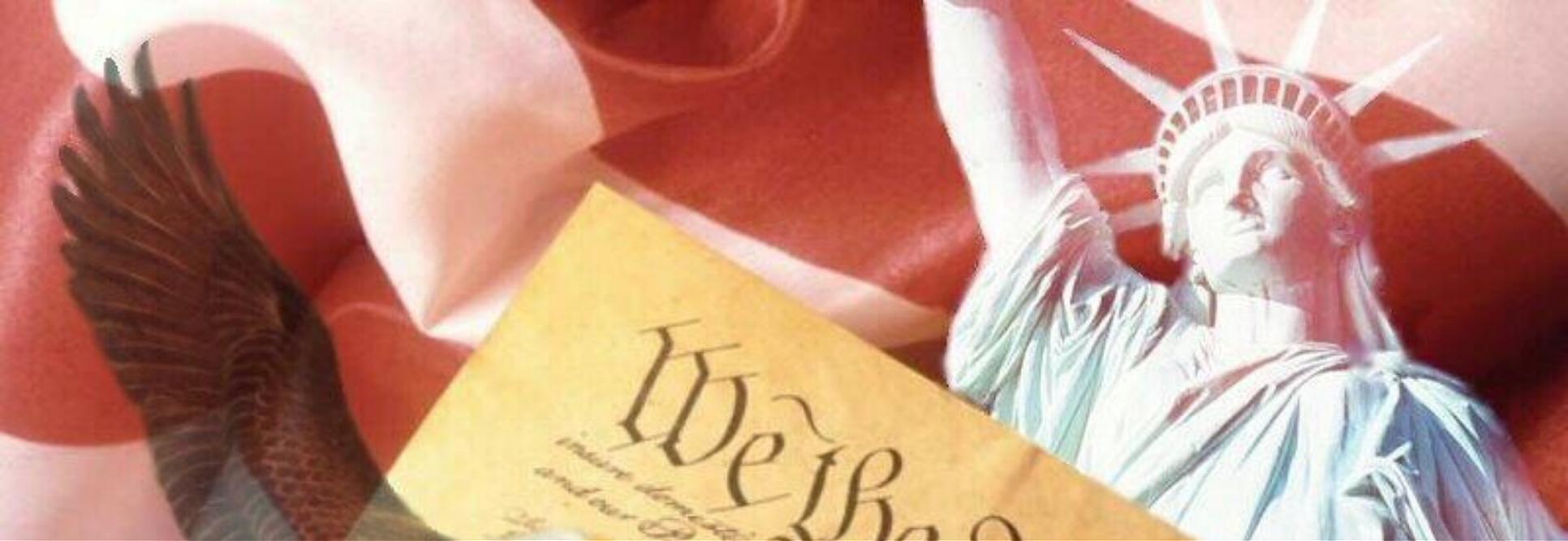
Teaching Of Paul (Romans 13:1-7)



Teaching Of Peter (1 Pet. 2:13-17)



The Christian Must Obey
God Above Government
(Daniel 3, 6; Acts 5:29)



The Christian Ought To
Trust In God Over
Government

(Mt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:15)



The Most High ruleth in
the kingdoms of men..
(Dan. 4:32)



As the election nears, what should churches do?



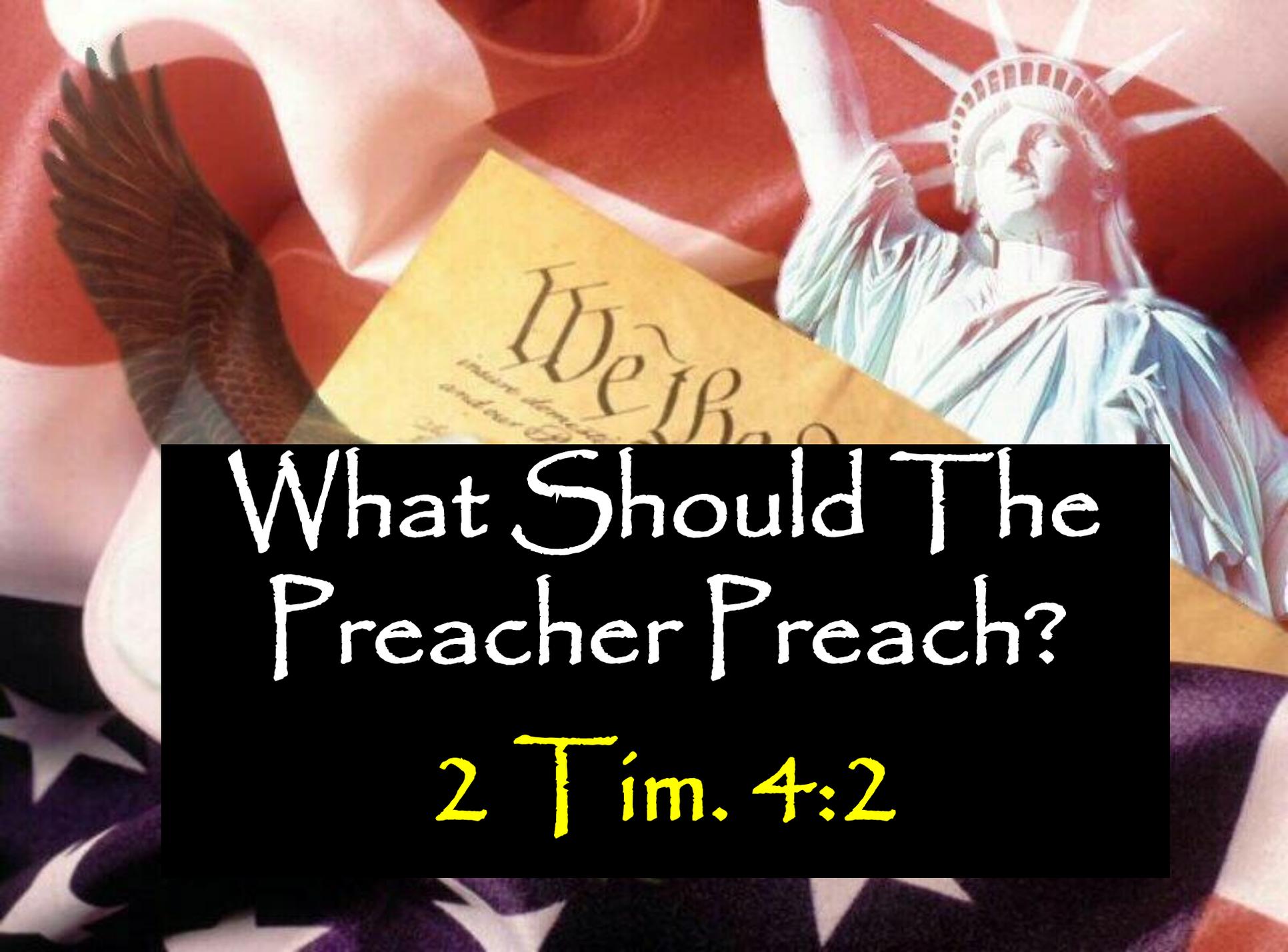
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1 Timothy 2:1-2



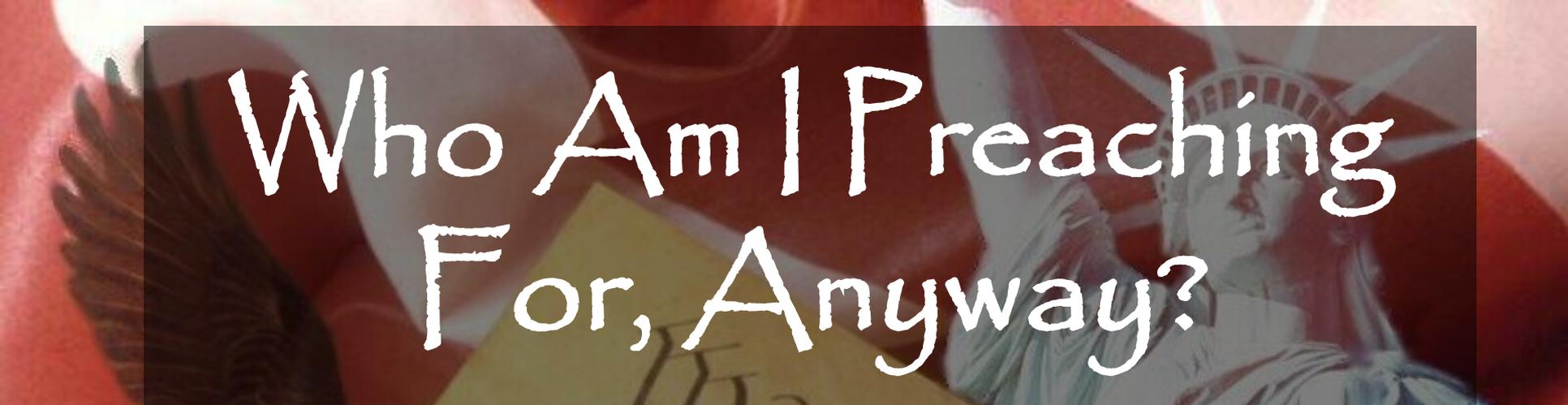
PREACH

2 Peter 2:5

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What Should The
Preacher Preach?

2 Tim. 4:2

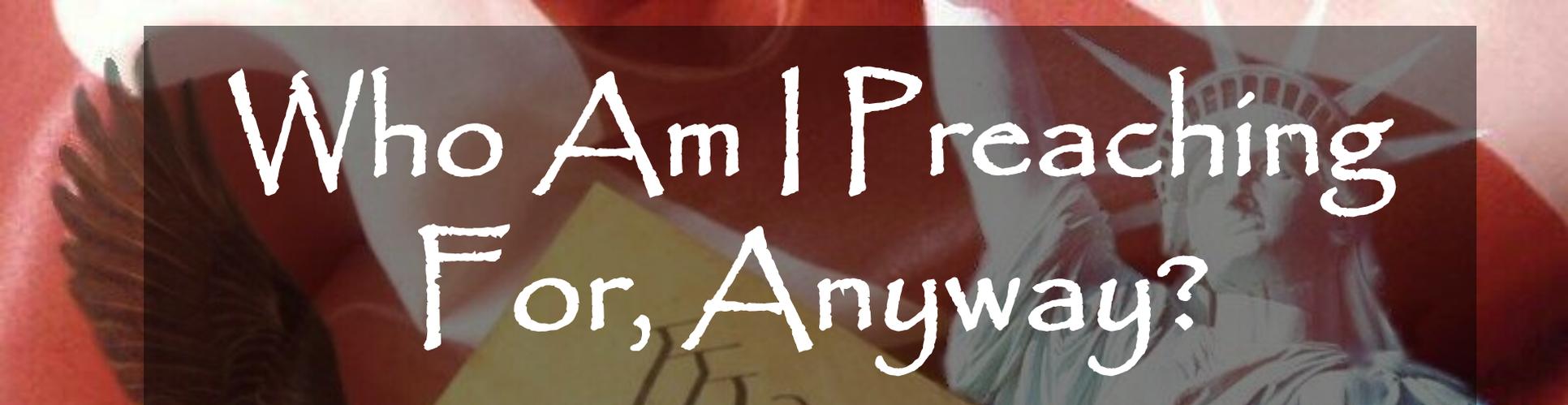


Who Am I Preaching
For, Anyway?

I am not preaching for the
Democratic Party!

I belong to Christ!

Kirk Sams (C)



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Who Am I Preaching
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God Said...

“Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people.”

Proverbs 14:34

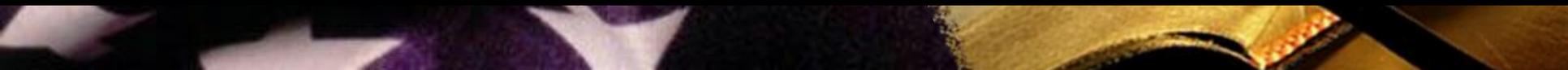




God Said...

“When the righteous are in authority
the people rejoice, but when the
wicked bear rule the people mourn”

Proverbs 29:2





Verses To Vote By

We have all things that pertain to life and godliness (2 *Pet.* 1:3). With this in mind, **let us examine some verses to vote by.**



We Need People Of Truth

Exodus 18:21

Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people **able men**, such as **fear God**, **men of truth**, **hating covetousness**; and place *such* over them, *to be* rulers of thousands...



Hate Covetousness

*The prince that wanteth [lacketh] understanding is also a great oppressor: **but he that hateth covetousness shall prolong his days**”
(Prov. 28:16).*



Morals over Money

**“Better is a little with righteousness
than great revenues without right”**

Proverbs 16:8



Morals over Money

***“It is an abomination to kings to
commit wickedness: for the throne
is established by righteousness”***

(Prov. 16:12).



Surrounds Himself With Wise Counselors

Rehoboam rejected the wise counsel of the older men and followed after the horrible advice of the younger men instead

(1 Kings 12:6-15).



Tough On Crime

Proverbs 20:8, 26

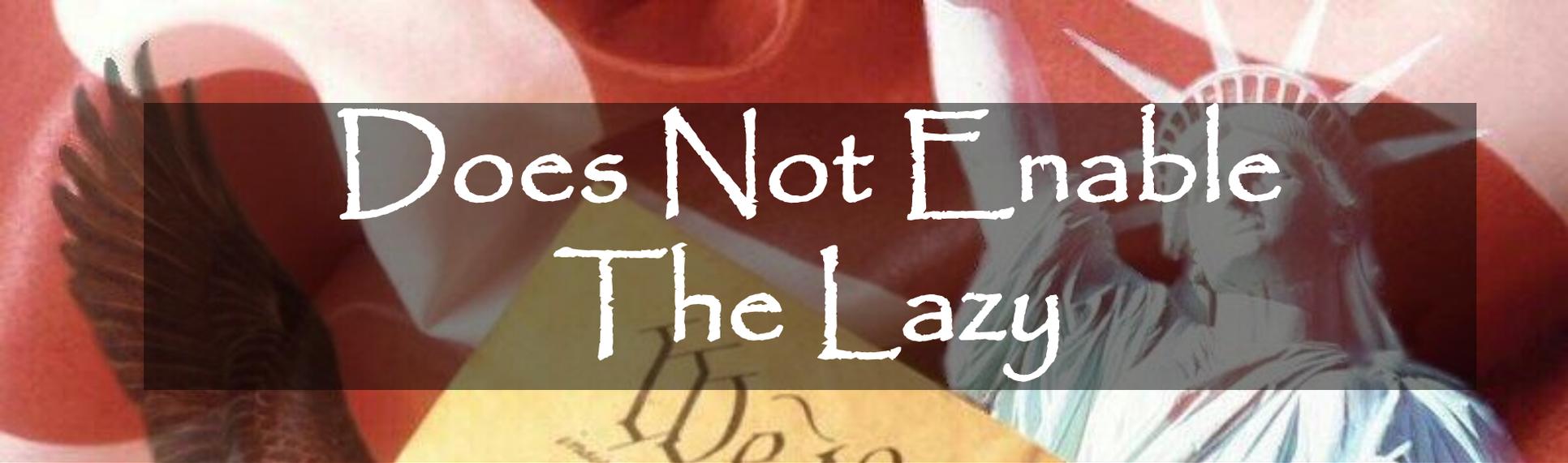
“A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all evil with his eyes...A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them.”



Does Not Oppress
The Poor

Proverbs 29:14

**“The king that faithfully judgeth
the poor, his throne shall be
established for ever.”**



Does Not Enable The Lazy

However, God does not contradict
Himself, and He also said,

***“if any would not work, neither
should he eat”***

(2 Thess. 3:10).



Respects God's Pattern For The Home

To condemn homosexuality is politically incorrect. Those who are interested in Biblical correctness will say, "*Thou shalt not lie with mankind as with womankind: it is abomination*" (**Lev. 18:22**).



Respects God's Pattern For The Home

Matthew 19:4

“Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them **male** and **female**, And said, For this cause shall **a man** leave **father** and **mother**, and shall cleave to **his wife**: and they twain shall be one flesh?”



Respects Human Life

Psalm 139:13-16

**“For thou hast possessed my reins:
thou hast covered me in my
mother’s womb. I will praise thee;
for I am fearfully and wonderfully
made:**



Respects Human Life

**Marvelous are thy works; and that
my soul knoweth right well. My
substance was not hid from thee,
when I was made in secret, and
curiously wrought in the lowest
parts of the earth.**



Respects Human Life

**Thine eyes did see my substance,
yet being unperfect; and in thy
book all my members were
written, which in continuance were
fashioned, when as yet there was
none of them.”**

A composite image featuring the Statue of Liberty on the right and a dark eagle on the left, set against a red and white background. The text "Respects For All Mankind" is overlaid in a white, serif font.

Respects For All
Mankind

John 3:16



Verses To Vote By

It was **not a Republican** who died
for my sins.

It was **not a Democrat** who died for
my sins.

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Verses To Vote By

Neither a Democrat nor a Republican will be sitting on the Judgment Seat on the Day of Judgment!



Verses To Vote By

Neither the Democratic Party nor
the Republican party owns me.

I belong to Christ!



Verses To Vote By

An allegiance to a political party **must never override my allegiance to Christ!**



Verses To Vote By

We should follow the example of
Christ and “follow in his steps”

(1 Pet. 2:21).



Verses To Vote By

Whatever we do, in word or in deed, we are to do all by the authority of Jesus

(Col. 3:17).



Verses To Vote By

We are to do all things to the
glory of God

(1 Cor. 10:31).



Verses To Vote By

Jesus loves righteousness and
hates iniquity

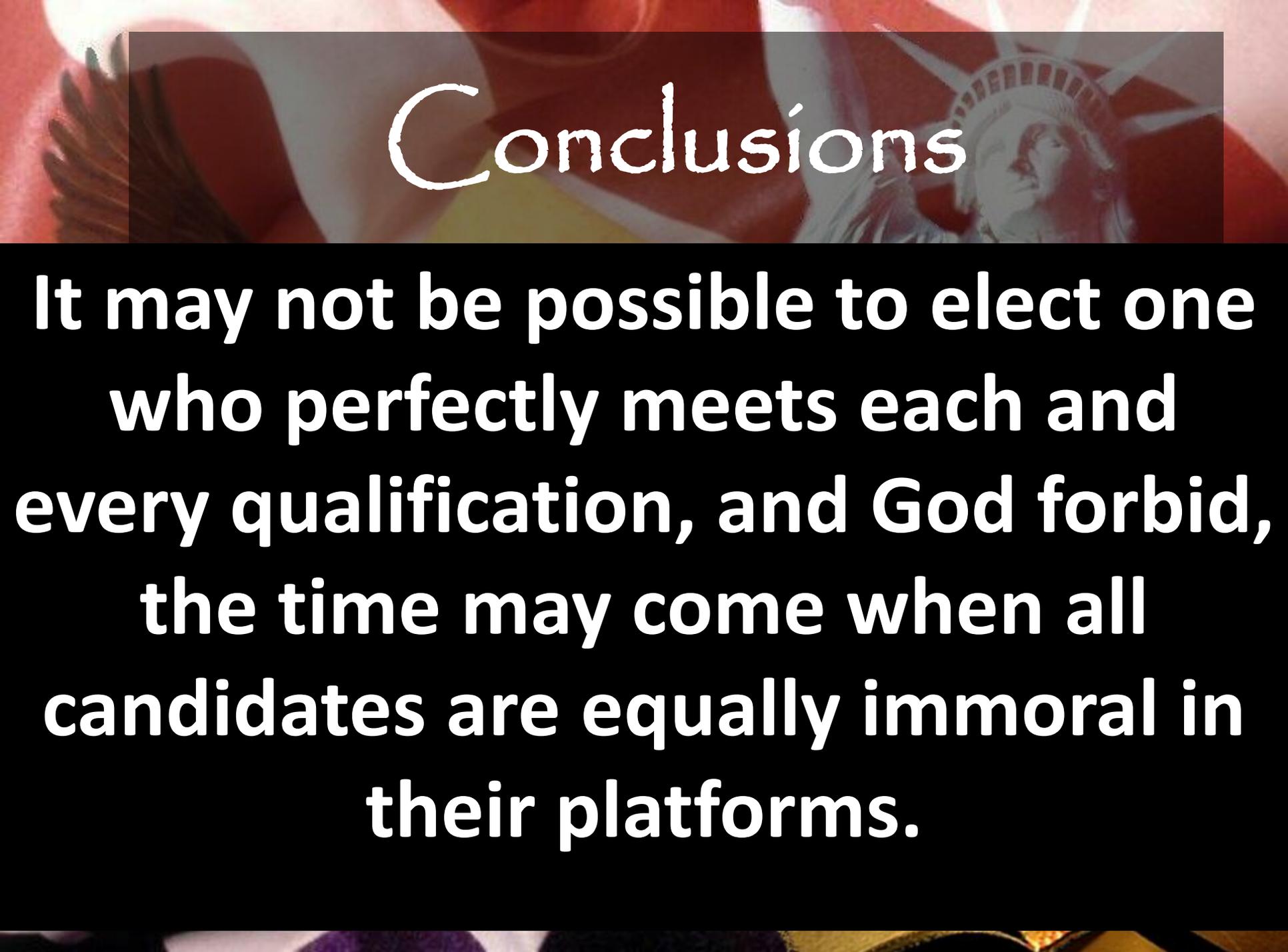
(Hebrews 1:9)



Verses To Vote By

1. Jesus loves righteousness;
2. righteousness exalts a nation;

Therefore, **the best candidate is the one whose agenda would most advance/preserve righteousness.**



Conclusions

It may not be possible to elect one who perfectly meets each and every qualification, and God forbid, the time may come when all candidates are equally immoral in their platforms.



Conclusions

If, there is a clear and discernible moral divide between the candidates, the Christian must vote on the basis of Christianity.

We must vote in such a way as to advance the cause of moral righteousness!

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