

ELECTION SERMONS

Christian Citizenship and Voting Romans 13:1-5; 1 Timothy 2:1-7

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1. As Christians fight the good fight of faith, they seek to honor the Lord with good works in every aspect of their lives which includes their life as a citizen.

- a. Christian citizens give attention to _____ and thanksgiving in regards to the “ministers of God” who serve as civil magistrates.
- b. Christian citizens should vote for those magistrates who will govern in such a way that order and justice is maintained so they can live _____ lives.

“The privilege of election the people have, must not be exercised according to their _____ but by the will and law of God.” - Rev. Thomas Hooker (1638)

- c. Christian citizens should vote for those magistrates who will govern in such a way that believers are free to pursue _____ exalting godliness in all areas of life.

“Magistrates were appointed by God for the protection of _____ as well as the peace and decency of society.” - John Calvin

2. When there are few truly qualified people to vote for there are several things believers should consider.

- a. Consider if there are candidates who meet _____ of the qualifications though they fail in others.
- b. Consider which candidates are most likely to allow believers to live _____ lives and be free to share the gospel.
- c. Consider that _____ elections are often more important than national elections.
- d. Actively support those “_____ magistrates” who are willing to challenge magistrates in a higher position to do what is right and good.

“Inferior judges are no less immediate stewards of God than the ruler is.” - Samuel Rutherford (1644)

“Interposition is that calling of God which causes one to step into the _____ —willingly placing oneself between the oppressor and his intended victim.” - M. Trewhella

- e. Be encouraged that God can and often does use _____ rulers to accomplish His good purposes.
- f. Do not make the mistake of expecting a political leader to have the answer to America’s moral failings—that’s the _____ job.