

A CHRISTIAN RESPONSE TO CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

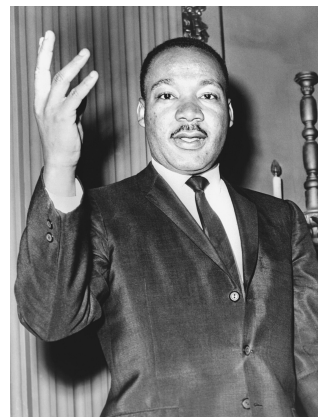
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PROVERBS 31:9

Speak up and judge fairly;
defend the rights of the
poor and needy.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

“Our lives begin to end
the day we become silent
about things that matter.”

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MICAH 6:8

He has shown you, O
mortal, what is good.
And what does the Lord
require of you? To act
justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly
with your God.

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MARK 12:30-31

‘Love the Lord your God with
all your heart and with all your
soul and with all your mind
and with all your strength.’
The second is this: ‘Love your
neighbor as yourself.’ There is
no commandment greater
than these.

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AVOID PARTISAN POLITICS

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ELLEN G. WHITE

"There is danger, decided danger, for all who should link themselves up with the political parties of the world. There is fraud on both sides. God has not laid upon any of our people the burden of linking up with either party. We are under Christ's banner, and everyone who names the name of Christ is to depart from all iniquity."

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EUGENE CHO

"When Christians pledge blind allegiance to a political power and its leaders and cannot objectively evaluate what a politician states or espouses, we travel down a dangerous path. We cease to see the world informed first and foremost by the life and teachings of Christ. Instead, when we allow political allegiance to identify us, we distort the Bible to justify our politics and allegiances. **This is idolatry.**"

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EPHESIANS 6:12

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

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WAYS TO ENGAGE

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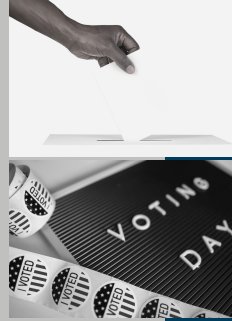
PRAYER

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EDUCATION

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EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE

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PAY YOUR TAXES

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SERVE ON A JURY



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BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH PUBLIC OFFICIALS

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SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY

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CHRIST OUR KING

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ISAIAH 59:8

The way of peace they do not know; there is no justice in their paths. They have turned them into crooked roads; no one who walks along them will know peace.

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JOHN 16:33

"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

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