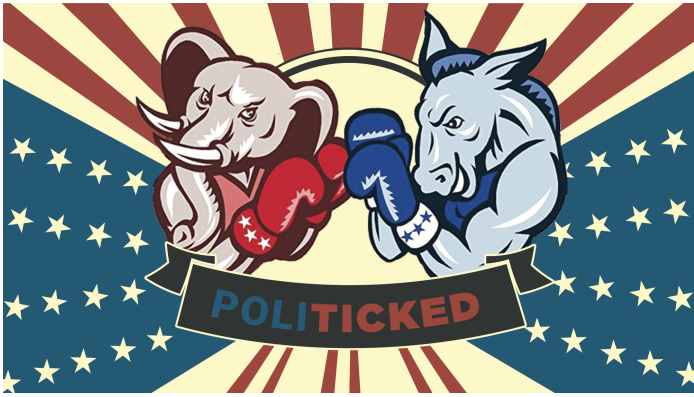


TAKE HOME SHEET



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The following are passages from the Bible that will help us gain and maintain a God-honoring perspective as we approach the election this week. As you read and consider these verses, ask God to help you set your heart and mind on His interests. Pray also for those who know Christ to be humble and devoted to Him, and positive examples of His truth and grace.

⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶ in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. ⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil.
Proverbs 3:5-7 (NIV)

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.
Psalm 19:14 (NLT)

...if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14 (NIV)

³ Don't put your confidence in powerful people; there is no help for you there. ⁴ When they breathe their last, they return to the earth, and all their plans die with them. ⁵ But joyful are those who have the God of Israel as their helper, whose hope is in the LORD their God. ⁶ He made heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them. He keeps every promise forever. ⁷ He gives justice to the oppressed and food to the hungry. The LORD frees the prisoners. ⁸ The LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are weighed down. The LORD loves the godly. ⁹ The LORD protects the foreigners among us. He cares for the orphans and widows, but he frustrates the plans of the wicked. ¹⁰ The LORD will reign forever. He will be your God, O Jerusalem, throughout the generations. Praise the LORD!

Psalms 146:3-10 (NLT)

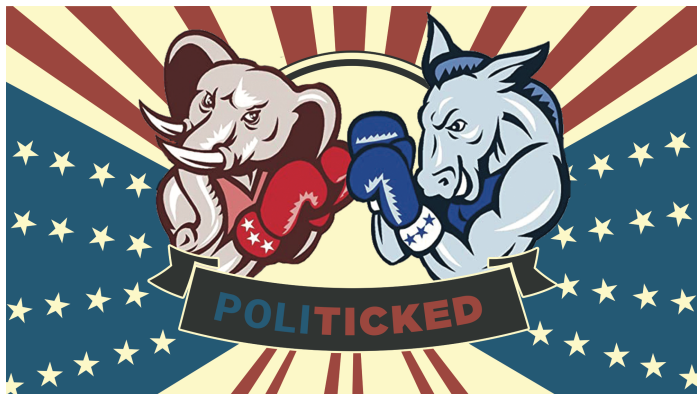
Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.

Isaiah 41:10 (NLT)

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NASB – New American Standard Bible
NIV – New International Version
NLT – New Living Translation

MESSAGE NOTES



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Our citizenship in God's kingdom should determine how we live in America.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light... ¹¹ Dear friends, I warn you as 'temporary residents and foreigners' to keep away from worldly desires that wage war against your very souls. ¹² Be careful to live properly...
1 Peter 2:9, 11-12 (NIV)

In view of this, I also do my best to maintain always a blameless conscience both before God and before men.

Acts 24:16 (NASB)

⁵ Live wisely among those who are not believers, and make the most of every opportunity. ⁶ Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone.

Colossians 4:5-6 (NLT)

Resist the pull of "what's in it for me?"

³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. ⁴ Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:3-5 (NIV)

Two key questions to answer as we approach the elections, in this order:

³⁷ Jesus replied, "You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments."

Matthew 22:37-40 (NLT)

1. What choices express a deep love and devotion for God?

2. What choices express a deep love and devotion for my neighbors?

But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

Romans 5:8 (NLT)