



## **Maintaining Christian Witness in a Polarized Political Age**

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### **Three Passages in Acts**

### **Twelve Steps for Putting Our Politics into the Service of Our Evangelistic Witness:**

1. Make sure your earthly citizenship is subordinate to your heavenly citizenship.
2. Recognize the biggest threat is worldliness and being co-opted.
3. Clarify the mission of the church, and then make sure your politics serves that mission.
4. Study what Scripture says about the authority of governments-  
-where it extends and where it doesn't.
5. Declare the standards by which the nations will be judged.

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6. Invest our political hopes firstly in the church.
7. We must learn to *be* before we *do*.
8. Enter the public square as ambassadors and principled pragmatists.
9. When pursuing political outcomes, always be mindful of your evangelistic witness.
10. Become an expert in fear and hope.
11. Seek the unity of the church.
12. Recognize what unites a church and what belongs to the domain of Christian freedom.