

On Pastors Being Political Activists...

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I respect Rev. Franklin Graham, but if in fact he thinks pastors should become political activist, then I must disagree with him. However, if his definition of being a political activist is encouraging other Christians to vote in political elections, then I'm in agreement with him.

In my opinion, Christians need to support political candidates who best reflect in word and deed a lifestyle that imitates Jesus Christ. In political elections, choosing the best of the broken is our only choice, but still an important choice.

As a Christian in a spiritually dead and dying world, I'm extremely conscious and concerned about social injustice, government corruption, and religious bigotry, but I'm more concerned about people who are physically alive, but spiritually dead.

As Christians, our challenge is not to provide "silver and gold," but to provide a choice. A choice that the "prince of the air of this world" as well as his "sons of disobedience" work overtime to snuff out. That choice is Jesus Christ.

Once, we too, were "dead in our transgression and sins" and "sons of disobedience" with the agenda of exchanging the "Truth for a lie."

In this state of existence our loving others was really selfishness; we were self-serving as well as self-worshiping in all areas of our lives. At that time our activism against social injustice, government corruption and religious bigotry was really activism for just a "different" more of the same.

The "KING OF THE HILL MENTALITY" ruled in our lives and continues to rule in the heart of unbelievers.

This is a mentality that cannot rule in the "Kingdom of God" for Christians who are both physically alive and spiritually alive. Our mentality is the mentality of Christ, who lives in us. Our activism is therefore His activism. He made it possible for us to have relationship with God, His father.

Although encouraged and challenged by His society to become politically and religiously active, Jesus choose to maintain his purpose and that was simple to provide humanity a "choice."

Yes, Jesus wept because of social injustice, government corruption, and spoke out with righteous indignation concerning religious bigotry, but never succumbed to the various temptations to become "King of the Jews" for His purpose was God's purpose and that was for Him to become, "the Savior of the World."

So we too, as Christians, weep because of social injustice, government corruption, and speak out with righteous indignation against religious bigotry, but our purpose is to be "spiritual activists" as God's ambassadors in this world.

Being "spiritual activist" is the only way to slow down the atrocities of this sinful world via sharing Jesus Christ while at the same time expectantly waiting for our Lord and Savior to return as "King" and stop said atrocities during the Millennial Reign.

If you haven't accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior, then I challenge you to do so and start experiencing "Jesus" who will become your peace.

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