

Christian Politics

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Our Federal Constitution

- First Amendment
- Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion nor prohibiting the free exercise thereof.
- Freedom of religion
- Freedom from religion
- Free to pray – or not pray – in government
- USA not a theocracy

Our Society

- 71% Christian (mostly Evangelical & Catholic)
- 23% not religious
- Christianity is important to people
- See 2014 U.S. Religious Landscape Study from Pew Research Center on www.pewforum.org/religious-landscape-study/

Political Reality

- Religion influences life, politics
- Popular religions based on Bible
- Written from circa 750 BC to 100 AD
- Anthology showing evolving understanding
- Some parts very uplifting. The primary commandments are love your God and love your neighbor. Matthew 22:36-39
- Some old parts troubling. Blessed revenge would be to bash your enemy's infants on rocks. Psalm 137:8-9

Bible On Divisive Issues

- Abortion
- New Testament silent on abortion
- Niche sexuality (LGBTQIAPK)
- Jesus makes no mention of homosexuality
- Prostitution
- Jesus taught compassion for prostitutes (Luke 7:36-50)

Christian Family Values

- Jesus the Christ said:
- Love your neighbor as yourself
- Comfort the afflicted
- Feed the poor
- Console the prisoner
- Promote love, not strife

Enjoy Nature

