

What's Wrong With Voting?

1. We are not authorized to determine who should govern. Only God has that right and we do not want to vote against the person whom God has chosen.

Daniel 4:17— “...In order that the living may know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He will, and sets over it the lowest of men.” (God often selects the lowest of men while we would pick the best!)

Romans 13:1— “...For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.”

Therefore it is God who appoints whom will rule, and it is not our responsibility to do so. By voting we are resisting the authority of God and taking matters into our own hands.

2. This is not God's world. We have no duty to transform this world. This is Satan's world and therefore we must *not* become involved with the politics of this world.

John 17:14-16— Though we live in the world Jesus tells us that we are not to be part of the world, just as He did not become part of the world when He was on this earth.

2 Cor. 6:17— This Scripture tells us to come out of the world and be separate!

Just as Jesus did not become involved in the politics of this world and thereby try to dethrone Caesar, neither should we. But instead we

should follow in His footsteps and not become involved in the political struggles of this world.

3. Our loyalty and citizenship is in God's government—the Kingdom of God, and not in the governments and politics of this world.

Philippians 3:20— “...our citizenship is in heaven.”

Several Scriptures (such as *2 Cor. 5:20*) tell us that we are ambassadors for Christ. Like Abraham we are just sojourners (foreigners) on this earth. We are here to represent a different country—the Kingdom of God, and God's way of life. Therefore, just as an ambassador does not vote or try to change the laws of the land in which he is sent to live, nor should we.

John 18:36— Christ said His Kingdom is not of this world. If it were, we would participate.

This is one of the main reasons we don't go to war as well. Our allegiance is to God's Kingdom (Government) and not to the kingdoms (governments) of this world. Therefore we don't go to war or vote, the two going hand-in-hand. And even the world knows this. When we are asked to go to war and then we object as a conscientious objector, one of the first and most important questions that the judge will ask you is: “Do you vote?” Because if you vote, then what you are saying is that you are willing to participate in worldly affairs (including warfare!), but if you do not vote—then you are saying you have nothing to do with this world and its politics—which is precisely what we should be saying!

Finally, when we vote, we are showing a lack of faith in God. Voting reflects an unwillingness to believe that God is in charge and

that He will keep His promise to guide events in the way that He deems best.

Also, we are engaged to Christ. We put our hopes for a better world in Him. Trying to improve the world through voting is a diversion of our allegiance and therefore should not be done,

So, is there anything we can do? Yes, we can do the following.

(1) We should cry and sign to God about all the abominations that take place on this earth (*Ezekiel 9:4*).

(2) We should proclaim right morality in a non-political way (*Isaiah 58:1*). But we are not to try and dictate morality through human legislation.

(3) Pray and fast to God. By bringing the matter to God through prayer and fasting we are showing faith in God and not in the political systems of this world. And this is what we ought to do and must do if we want to be part of God's Kingdom (and not the kingdoms of this world).