

SPIRITUAL POLITICS

The U.S. is not a nation-state, much less a Christian one

A WAJD biblical commentary on nation, government, identity, and the believer's true citizenship in Christ.



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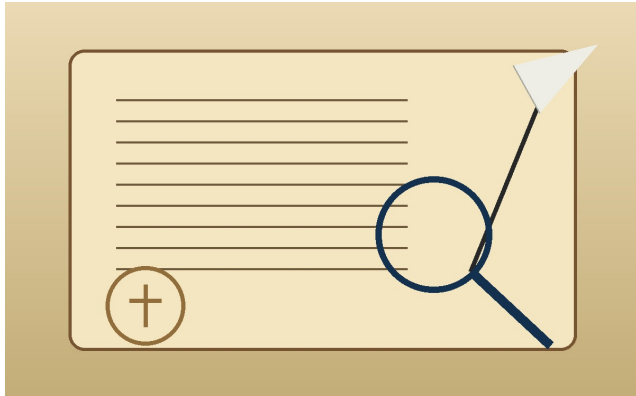
WATCHING THE WORLD. STANDING ON THE WORD.

America has many Christian influences in its history, but the government of the United States was not created as a church, a covenant people, or a Christian kingdom. It was formed as a constitutional republic with religious liberty, civil rights, and limits on government power.

WAJD reminds believers: our hope is not in political labels, parties, flags, or earthly systems. Our hope is in Jesus Christ, the King whose kingdom is not of this world.

WAJD FOCUS

This newsletter is not written to attack America or mock believers who love their country. It is written to keep biblical truth in its proper place: Jesus is Lord over every nation, and the church belongs first to Him.

**WAJD KEY POINT**

A nation may have Christian influence, but influence is not the same as government establishment. The church must not confuse cultural heritage with covenant identity.

1. What Does “Nation-State” Mean?

A nation-state is usually built around a common national identity - often shared ethnicity, culture, language, religion, or ancestry. The United States developed differently. It joined many people from many backgrounds under a constitutional order, not under one tribe, one ethnicity, or one church.

That matters spiritually. When people confuse America with the kingdom of God, they can begin to treat political loyalty like biblical faithfulness. But Scripture does not give any earthly country the place that belongs only to the Lord.

2. What The Constitution Says About Religion

The First Amendment says Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise of religion. In plain words, the federal government may not establish an official religion, and it also may not forbid the free exercise of faith.

Article VI also says that no religious test shall ever be required as a qualification for federal office. That means the government cannot require someone to belong to a specific faith in order to serve.

“For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.” — Romans 13:1 KJV



Original WAJD-style illustration: believers praying while the nation faces confusion.

3. A Biblical View Of Government

The Bible teaches believers to pray for those in authority and to live peaceably where we can. That does not mean the government is our savior. It means we honor order while keeping our highest obedience to God.

Paul instructed that prayers be made for kings and all in authority, so that believers may live quiet and peaceable lives in godliness and honesty. This is a call to prayer, wisdom, and sober living - not political idolatry.

4. Jesus Did Not Build His Kingdom Through Rome

Jesus lived under Roman rule, yet He did not campaign to make Rome "Christian." He preached repentance, the kingdom of God, forgiveness of sins, holiness, and eternal life. His kingdom transforms hearts first.

5. Why This Conversation Matters

When the church tries to make a nation into its source of identity, the gospel can become tangled with culture, party spirit, fear, and pride. WAJD believes we must keep the cross higher than the flag and the Word higher than man's opinion.

America needs Christians who pray, serve, repent, tell the truth, love their neighbors, and share the gospel. The answer is not to worship the state. The answer is to be faithful witnesses of Jesus Christ inside the nation where God has placed us.

"My kingdom is not of this world."

— John 18:36 KJV



WAJD REFLECTION: OUR TRUE CITIZENSHIP

Believers can be thankful for freedom and still understand that freedom is not the same as salvation. We can appreciate a country and still refuse to confuse it with the kingdom of God. We can vote, pray, serve, and speak truth - while remembering that Jesus alone is Lord.

The world divides people by party, race, class, nation, and opinion. Christ gathers people by repentance, faith, holiness, and the blood of the Lamb. Our citizenship in heaven must shape how we live on earth.

WAJD REMINDERS

- God's Word is higher than man's systems.
- The church must not become a political idol.
- Our mission is to preach Christ, not worship the state.

FINAL WORD

America may be a mission field, but it is not the Messiah. Jesus Christ is the King, and His kingdom shall have no end.

Source notes reviewed: U.S. Constitution, Bill of Rights, Treaty of Tripoli, and KJV Scripture references. Visit wajd.com

“Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness...” — Matthew 6:33 KJV