



How to Represent the Kingdom

in this Election Season, part 5

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I. Vote God's ten

II. Live God's ten

A. How to live God's ten

Matthew 22:37 And He (Jesus) said to him, "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."

³⁸ "This is the great and foremost commandment.

³⁹ "The second is like it, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'

⁴⁰ "On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets."

B. God's ten priorities for a society

Exodus 20:1 Then God spoke all these words, saying,

² "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

I. ³ **"You shall have no other gods before Me.**

- ___ Focus your family on growing in the knowledge of God
- ___ Trust and pray (1 Timothy 2:1-8; 2 Chronicles 7:12-22)
- ___ witness and support missions

II. ⁴ **"You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth.**

⁵ "You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me,

⁶ but showing lovingkindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

- ___ Focus on The Creator, not His creation
- ___ Communicate concern regarding national correction and judgement
- ___ Communicate thankfulness for God's lovingkindness

III. ⁷ **"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not leave him unpunished who takes His name in vain.**

- ___ Reverence God and practice His presence
- ___ Slow down, think and use fewer words
- ___ Do not make oaths using God's name except on very special occasions

IV. ⁸ **"Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

⁹ "Six days you shall labor and do all your work,

¹⁰ but the seventh day is a sabbath of the LORD your God; *in it* you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your male or your female servant or your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you.

¹¹ "For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

Genesis 2:3 Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

Isaiah 66:22 "For just as the new heavens and the new earth Which I make will endure before Me," declares the LORD, "So your offspring and your name will endure.

²³ "And it shall be from new moon to new moon And from sabbath to sabbath, All mankind will come to bow down before Me," says the LORD.

Mark 2:27 And He was saying to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.
²⁸ "Consequently, the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

Romans 14:1 Now accept the one who is weak in faith, *but* not for *the purpose of* passing judgment on his opinions.

... ⁵ One man regards one day above another, another regards every day *alike*. Let each man be fully convinced in his own mind.

⁶ He who observes the day, observes it for the Lord,...

... ¹⁹ So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.

... **15:2** Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to his edification.

... ⁶ that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷ Wherefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God.

Colossians 2:16 Therefore let no one act as your judge in regard to food or drink or in respect to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath day--

¹⁷ things which are a *mere* shadow of what is to come; but the substance belongs to Christ.

Acts 2:42 And they were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Hebrews 10:24 let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds,

²⁵ not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging *one another*, and all the more, as you see the day drawing near.

Ephesians 4:11 And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers,

¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;

¹³ until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fulness of Christ.

___ Enjoy a day of rest and worship as God's gift to fit God's design

___ Join us on Sundays if possible to worship God and edify each other

___ Invite neighbors to come and help community leaders protect Sundays

V. ¹² "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you.

Ephesians 6:1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

² Honor your father and mother (which is the first commandment with a promise),

³ that it may be well with you, and that you may live long on the earth.

⁴ And, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger; but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

To raise a generation of influencers for the kingdom, as a family

___ honor God

___ honor each other (family, church, neighbors, enemies)

___ honor authorities

1 Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

¹⁰ for you once were not a people, but now you are the people of God; you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

¹¹ Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts, which wage war against the soul.

¹² Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may on account of your good deeds, as they observe *them*, glorify God in the day of visitation.

¹³ Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether to a king as the one in authority,

¹⁴ or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right.

¹⁵ For such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men.

¹⁶ *Act* as free men, and do not use your freedom as a covering for evil, but *use it* as bondslaves of God.

¹⁷ Honor all men; love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king.

Titus 3:1 Remind them to be subject to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good deed, ² to malign no one, to be uncontentious, gentle, showing every consideration for all men.

³ For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.

⁴ But when the kindness of God our Savior and *His* love for mankind appeared,

⁵ He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,

⁶ whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

⁷ that being justified by His grace we might be made heirs according to *the* hope of eternal life.

⁸ This is a trustworthy statement; and concerning these things I want you to speak confidently, so that those who have believed God may be careful to engage in good deeds. These things are good and profitable for men.

VI. ¹³ "You shall not murder.

Matthew 5:21 "You have heard that the ancients were told, 'You shall not commit murder' and 'Whoever commits murder shall be liable to the court.'

²² "But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother shall be guilty before the court; and whoever shall say to his brother, 'Raca,' shall be guilty before the supreme court; and whoever shall say, 'You fool,' shall be guilty *enough to go* into the fiery hell.

___ Honor every person and focus on eternal life issues

___ Respectfully dialogue about life and death issues (the unborn, the elderly, the climate, military strength, homeland security, health care for the poor, mitigation of pandemics, law enforcement, racism, gun laws, global aid and nation building)

___ politic and participate for the sanctity of every life

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