

John 18:33-38 “Saints and Citizens”

John 18:33-38

Religion and Politics

- An Intense Year
- A Word From God Mt 24:6
- The Pulpit and Public Opinion

Jesus Before Religion & Politics

- Jews and Romans Are Confused

Not The Messiah or King They Were Expecting

- Jews Expected a Deliverer from Rome
- Rome.....You Are a King?
- Jesus v36 “My Kingdom is not of this World”

The Purpose, Problem, Pitfalls

#1 The Purpose of Government

- Family, Church & Government

Order, Protection, Punishment Gen 9

- Rom 13:1-7 Ordained by God
- 1 Pet 2:13-17 Pleases God
- Rom 13:7 Paying Taxes

The Problem

John 18:33-38 “Saints and Citizens”

#2 The Core Problem Is Sin

- Democracy is Messy but The Best

Sometimes The People Are Wrong!

- Moral People, Moral Appetite
- Picking Bad Government

Sometimes The Leaders Are Wrong

- Prov 29:2 When Leaders Are Moral
- Legislating Morality, Restraining Evil

When Government Persecutes

- Submission and Civil Disobedience
- Acts 5:29, Exo 1:17, Dan 6:10
- Defying the State?

The Pitfalls

#3 Making Government Your Focus

- The Right Person Will Solve Our Problems
- Government cannot make People Moral

Only The Gospel Changes People and Nations

- Revival Impact

Pray, Preach and Vote

John 18:33-38 “Saints and Citizens”

Why Should We Vote?

1. The Supreme Court

- We Love the Next Generation

2. The Candidates

- Policy not Personality