

The Christian Citizen

Text: Romans 13:1-5

Introduction:

1. The Christian is a citizen of the kingdom of Christ (Col. 1:13).
2. However, he is also a citizen of his homeland.
3. Christians are to be the best citizens.
4. As election day approaches, we must remember our responsibilities as citizens of the United States of America.

I. Pray (1 Timothy 2:1-4)

- A. We must pray for our government and leaders.
- B. We should pray for godly wisdom (Psalm 72:1).
- C. We should pray for peace (Jer. 29:7).

II. Prepare (1 Peter 2:13-17)

- A. We must understand the standard of God.
 1. Concerning morality
 2. Concerning liberty
 3. Concerning "civil disobedience"
- B. We must understand the issues of our time.
- C. We must investigate candidates for office.
- D. We must study legislation that is proposed.

III. Participate (Galatians 5:1, 13-14)

- A. Obey the laws of the land (Rom. 13:1).
- B. Vote!
- C. Influence political leaders and their policies.
 1. Write
 2. Support
 3. Protest peacefully
- D. Discuss God's Word with neighbors and friends.
- E. Pray without ceasing (1 Thes. 5:17).