

Talking Points

Part 1: One Is The Win

Introduction

Your favorite candidate will win or lose based on how our country votes this November. However, the *church* will win or lose based on our behavior between now and then.

Discussion Questions

1. On a scale from 1 to 10, how interested are you in politics?
2. What do you look forward to most—and dread most—about presidential election years?
3. Outside of your workplace, think of the people you interact with most. What percentage of those people think pretty much the same way as you politically?
4. In all honesty, which of these describes you best? Why do you say that? • I evaluate my politics through the filter of my faith.
• I create a version of faith that supports my politics.
5. Read John 17:20–23, where Jesus offers a prayer for future believers. • What stands out to you?
• In verse 23, Jesus prays for unity. How would you define “unity”? • According to Jesus’s prayer, why is unity so important?
6. When it comes to politics and moving toward unity, what’s a next step for you?

Moving Forward

While we will not agree on every political talking point, we must not let politics divide us.

Scripture

I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—²³ I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. (Jn 17:20–23).