

Weekly Services

Sun. Bible Study 9:45 AM Sun. Worship 10:45 AM

Sun. Day/Evening Groups

Wed Bible Study 6:30 PM

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AREAS OF SERVICE

Building - Ken Vogtman

Custodian - Ron & Cindy Roberson

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Grounds – Cody & Doyle Dawes

 $Music\ Ministry-Ron\ Roberson$

Secretary - Renee' Hill

Technology - Eric Kjorness

Technology - Cody Dawes

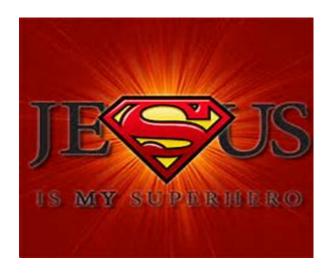
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Especially Jesus!

Christians are committed to treating human beings with grace, kindness, respect, dignity, and sacrificial love. We are also committed to standing up for good against evil; wisely, truthfully, and bravely--even if you are the last one standing. Our model for putting those two commitments together is Jesus Christ Himself.

When people say Christians must avoid political conflict, I wonder if they have read the Bible. Here is a short list of Bible heroes who served political officials or confronted them in public:

Joseph, Moses, Gideon, Deborah, Samuel, Nathan, Shemaiah, Elijah, Elisha, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Zechariah-son of Jehoiada, Daniel, Esther, John the Baptist, Jesus, Stephen, Peter, Paul, and many more.

Many suffered for their courage and were slain by political authorities, especially the prophets of old. They put truth above personal comfort and safety. In the New Testament, John the Baptist, Jesus, Stephen, Peter, and Paul all suffered at the hands of political powers in various ways. None were intimidated into silence. They were agents of truth who spoke out with undaunted courage. Especially Jesus!

Jesus boldly and vocally stood up against local lawmakers who had the political power to destroy Him. Jesus stood up anyway. Moral, religious, and political conflict was a huge component of Jesus' earthly ministry and it got him killed.

Still, the good news Jesus came to preach was not primarily political or even earthly. The gospel does apply to all arenas of our earthly lives but it ultimately points us to our citizenship in heaven. Earthly politics can't do that!