



# Lewiston Church of Christ

## October 18, 2020



### Weekly Services

Sun. Bible Study 9:45 AM

Sun. Worship 10:45 AM

Sun. Day/Evening Groups

Wed Bible Study 7:00 PM

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Finance – Tom Hill

Outreach – Mark Whittaker

#### AREAS OF SERVICE

Building – Ken Vogtman

Custodian – Ron & Cindy Roberson

Fellowship – Joe & Carrie Bieren

Grounds – Cody & Doyle Dawes

Music Ministry – Ron Roberson

Secretary – Renee’ Hill

Technology – Eric Kjorness

Technology – Cody Dawes

## Agents of Truth

When you turn off the news and open your Bible, you get a vacation from politics... right? Well, try it and see for yourself. You may be surprised.

Besides being Bible characters, what do Pharaoh, Joshua, Saul, David, Solomon, Rehoboam, Jehoshaphat, Ahab, Jezebel, Jehoram, Jehu, Joash, Hezekiah, Nebuchadnezzar, Belshazar, Darius, Xerxes, Herod, Antipas, the Sanhedrin, Pilate, Cornelius, Felix, Festus, and Agrippa have in common?

**Give up?** This is a short list of political officials (godly or not) in the Bible who were directly confronted or counseled by great men and women of God. Politicians in the Bible often got their personal morality and public policies challenged.

Okay, what do Joseph, Moses, Gideon, Deborah, Samuel, Nathan, Shemaiah, Elijah, Elisha, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Zechariah-son of Jehoiada, Daniel, Esther, Jesus, John the Baptist, Stephen, Peter, and Paul have in common?

**Answer:** They are among the many Bible heroes who confronted political rulers or lawmakers. Many suffered for their courage and some were slain for it.

Moses confronted Pharaoh, Nathan chastened king David, Elijah challenged Ahab, Esther bravely appealed to King Xerxes, and countless prophets did the same at great cost to their comfort and safety. So did John the Baptist, Jesus, Stephen, Peter, and Paul. They were all **agents of truth** who spoke out with undaunted courage. Jesus engaged in political conflict by standing up to local lawmakers--Scribes, Pharisees, Sadducees. Moral, religious, and even political conflict was a huge component of Jesus’ earthly ministry and it got him killed.

But in a larger sense, Jesus’ death was God’s will-- the means by which God demonstrated His love for sinners in need of salvation. That need is what unites us—not politics. The gospel of repentance and forgiveness through Christ transcends politics. It does impact all arenas of our lives (including politics) but the gospel ultimately points us to our citizenship in heaven. Politics can’t do that!

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