HOUSE DIVIDED

How to Punch a Ballot & NOT Your Neighbor

'Strong Influence' 2 Corinthians 4:16-18, 1 Timothy 2:1-6

Citizen of heaven first. Ambassador of heaven second. Guard hearts and minds. Influence the culture for good.

Jeremiah 29:1-7

Shalom

"Shalom" the legislature

- Policies and Issues
- Candidates and parties

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Leviticus 22:23

You can do it. We can help.

- 1. Register to vote
- 2. Get a voter's guide
- 3. Resources to think biblically
- 4. Discover our community partnerships hcbc.com/civic-engagement

Candidates and Parties

- I Timothy 2:1-4

Shalom the aftermath, too

Jeremiah 29

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MY APPLICATION

The following questions this week reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family and friends.

- 1. We learned that even in a godless culture, God's people were called to seek shalom for Babylon. If Babylon would be blessed, they would be blessed. Paul tells Timothy to pray for leaders so that we may lead a peaceful life. In a culture now that wants the other side to lose at all costs, how does biblical wisdom stand apart as different?
- 2. We learned that there are resources to help us see more clearly into policies and into candidates. Do you already have a preferred tool, or collection of tools to help inform your voting? Do you know someone who might be more encouraged to engage if they had tools that equipped them?
- 3. Would you pray for the candidates now even before we reach the election?

Memory Verse

"¹First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³ This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth."

I Timothy 2:1-4 (ESV)