

The Prattmont Church of Christ is just what the name suggests, a church that belongs to Christ. We are not a denomination; we are simply a group of Christians trying very hard to practice the teachings of our Head, Jesus Christ. The New Testament offers a complete pattern for what each local church should be like—its organization, its worship, its work, etc. We are committed to following that pattern. We cordially invite you to attend our services. We would also welcome any comments or questions about this bulletin.

TIMES OF SERVICES:

Sunday
 Bible Classes.....9 A.M.
 Worship 10:00 A.M.
 Worship/Bible Study..5 P.M.

Wednesday:
 Bible Study..... 7:00 P.M.



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Regarding Political Posts on Social Media

by Don Truex

Let’s imagine two scenarios and feel free to date them either in May of 2024 (during the current Democrat administration) or May of 2020 (during previous Republican administration)...

Scenario 1: A non-Christian visitor to worship listens to your sermon and loves what they hear. They enjoy meeting you after the service and you truly believe a door is open for further study.

Scenario 2: A non-Christian visitor sits by you in worship. You engage them in conversation, enjoy a nice connection, and truly believe a door is open for further study.

Because this non-Christian visitor enjoyed meeting you, the preacher, or you, the member by whom they sat, they decide to search your name on social media. What they find are political posts ugly in nature, memes demeaning or disrespectful of “those in authority,” and/or statistics dubious at best in regard to accuracy.

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And the non-Christian is of the political party that is being disparaged.

At first, they wonder if you would appreciate their posting demeaning, disrespectful things that portray the leaders of your party in the worst possible light. Clearly, they assume, you would not.

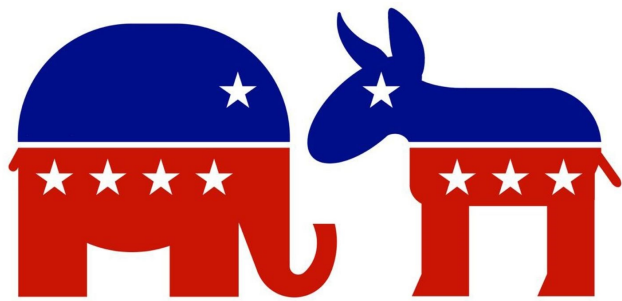
And second, while they may not know much about the Bible, they know that it says that we should “honor” and pray for the chief executive of our nation (1 Peter 2:17; 1 Timothy 2:1-4).

And so they decide that if these words, these posts, these memes reflect the spirit, the attitude that your faith has produced, they want nothing to do with it.

I wish I could tell you these are simply hypotheticals, but they are not. They are real life occurrences.

Yes, we all have political preferences, often strongly held. But here’s the question: Is a political post that, let’s be honest, only serves to make the one posting feel better but changes no one’s mind, worth closing the door to an opportunity to bring a soul to Jesus?

Just a thought.



When Studying Ecclesiastes

by Bryan Gibson

“I applied my heart to know, to search and seek out wisdom and the reason of things...” (Ecclesiastes 7:25, see also 1:13; 2:3; 8:16). To learn what he discovered, to gain the same wisdom he gained from his search, we’ll need to read the rest of this wonderful book.

And maybe if we can answer the following questions as we read through the book, we’ll get a better understanding of it.

1. Where is the meaning of life NOT found?
2. Where IS it found?
3. List some things about “life under the sun” that can easily frustrate us?
4. What perspective/outlook do we need to make sure these frustrations don’t get the best of us?
5. What perspective will enable us to ALWAYS rejoice?
6. Has God put limitations on what we can find out, and if so, why?
7. Locate all the verses where one thing is said to be “better” than another. How do these help us in our efforts to serve God?
8. What special benefit can this book be to young people?

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