

CHRISTIANITY AND POLITICS (Philemon)

CONNECT—Think of a fun-icebreaker question to ask. For example, describe your most memorable family vacation from your childhood.

DISCUSS

What most stood out to you from Justin's sermon this past week? What was one of your big takeaways?

What are some things about the way that our culture is doing politics that trouble you?

Justin said that it is not an option to be apolitical or to simply do politics as everyone else does politics. Which one of these are you tempted to live? Why are they both bad options for Christians engaging in politics?

Read Philemon.

What most stands out to you from Philemon?

Why do you think it is important for Christians to have civil conversations about politics with those who think differently than them?

What are some things that you would put on the list as convictional political issues for Christians? Why? What are some political issues that you care about that are not necessarily Biblical political issues?

Do you agree that Christian convictional issues cut across party lines? Do you have to agree with a party's entire political platform to affiliate with that party? Why or why not?

What are some ways that you keep politics in a right priority (not too important or unimportant) in your life?

Have everybody in your group pick a prominent political leader and pray for him or her.

RELATE—Consider splitting into guys and girls for this section.

What has been your biggest spiritual highlight this week? What has been your biggest spiritual struggle this week? What is one action step you are going to take in light of this week's sermon/Life Group?

IMPACT (Invite, Engage, Share)

Who is one person that you can invite to church this week?