2. God, Gospel and the Government

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Subtitle: God wants to choose the next king

- We have a General Election scheduled in NZ on Saturday 7 Nov. 2026
- We seek God's wisdom and discernment concerning how to cast a righteous vote on (or prior to) Election Day
- We pray that we get a righteous Government in the next parliamentary term, that will not hinder God's work, or the preaching of the Gospel in our nation

In any given Election:

- Many people neglect to vote
- Many people vote traditionally
- Some people vote randomly
- Most people vote selfishly
- Some people vote tactically & strategically
- God wants Christians to vote Biblically & intelligently

Who shall I vote for?

- We do not tell people who to vote for, but we can tell others what we will do, or not do, in the upcoming Election (Freedom of speech!)
- Some of us will not vote for any political party or political candidate who want to raise taxes after the Elections
- NZ taxpayers already have excessive taxes imposed on them (exacted!) by successive money-hungry governments & globalist 'players'

1. What is a Democracy?

- NZ's form of government is widely recognized & described as a **liberal democracy** (NZ is a representative democracy)
- According to https://elections.nz/ & https://voteauckland.co.nz:

- The word ‘democracy’ comes from the Greek words 'demos’ - meaning ‘the people or citizens’ - and 'kratos’ - meaning ’power’
- Democracy means ‘citizen power’, which also means ‘people power’
- Democracy is the form of government where the people of a nation have the power to decide who will represent them (in parliament) and which laws they will live by

2. Will the righteous or the wicked rule in NZ after the Election?

Proverbs 29:2 (NKJV) ***When the righteous are in authority****, the people rejoice; But when a wicked man rules, the people groan.*

Proverbs 29:2 (NLT) *When the godly are in authority, the people rejoice. But when the wicked are in power, they groan.*

- When we have righteous people in government, people rejoice
- When we have wicked people rise to power, people groan
  - Righteous (godly) people are elected to power
  - Wicked people are also elected to power
- Ultimately, it’s the people (demos) who need to take responsibility for the government which comes to power
- (With democracy, God has, in effect, given away His prerogative of selecting the next king who governs the nation)

Righteous:

- the righteous are just in character and conduct & morally upright
- the original significance of the root word “*ṣdq”* means:
  - ‘to be straight’
  - To operate at a high ethical or moral standard

Wicked:

- those ungodly & hostile to God (the God of the Christian Bible)
- those guilty of violating God’s standards, laws & principles

3. Two Votes for every eligible Voter

a. Party Vote:
Christians should first and foremost look for the moral basis of Party Policies (Manifesto) before they look for their Party Promises

b. Electoral Vote:
Christians should first & foremost look for the moral qualities of political candidates before they look for their professional qualification.

4. THE 5 P'S OF POLITICAL PARTIES & INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES:

1. Personalities
2. Promises
3. Policies
4. Political Philosophy (Manifesto)
5. Principles of Morality

5. GOD WANTS TO CHOOSE THE KING

Deuteronomy 17:14–15 (NET) *When you come to the land the Lord your God is giving you and take it over and live in it and then say, "**I will select a king** like all the nations surrounding me," **15 you must select without fail a king whom the Lord your God chooses.** From among your fellow citizens you must appoint a king—**you may not designate a foreigner** who is not one of your fellow Israelites.*

- **Vs. 15** … *you must select* = to appoint someone to a position
  … *a king whom the Lord your God chooses …*
- **God chooses – and we (s)elect whom God has chosen!**
- Of all the political parties & political candidates on offer, God chooses, and we must, without fail, elect whom God has chosen
- Entire political parties, and many political candidates are completely unsuitable for election according to God's purposes, and should not be elected by Christians
- Vs … you may not designate a foreigner …

6. What is a Foreigner?

- In this context, identifying a "foreigner" has nothing to do with identifying their nationality
- It has to do with identifying their value system
- Western nations such as NZ have been built on the Judeo-Christian value system (Reformation Nations)
- So therefore, a "foreigner" is a person who is foreign (& hostile) to Judeo-Christian principles and practices
- If he is a socialist, he is a foreigner
- If she is a feminist, she is a foreigner
- If they promote Gender Ideology, puberty blockers, gender affirming (genital) surgery etc., they are foreigners
- If they want to bring in Hate Speech laws, or Blasphemy Laws, they are foreigners
- If they want to limit free speech, they are foreigners
- If they want to establish Sharia Law in our country, they are foreigners
- If they are anti-Semites and anti-Zionists, they are foreigners
- If they want to recognise a Palestinian State, they are foreigners
- If they insist on a woman's right to abortion, they are foreigners
- If they promote euthanasia, they are foreigners
- If they want to establish co-governance in NZ, they are foreigners
    - (Co-governance is not democracy – it's a race-based, evil system)
- If they want to increase government dominance over the citizen, they are foreigners

Resources: (Brochures available at the Info Centre)

1. Value your Vote – Election 2026
   https://www.valueyourvote.nz/
2. Vote Smart 2026
   https://realitycheck.radio/c/election-2026/
3. How to enrol
   https://vote.nz/
4. NZ Debt Clock
   https://www.debtclock.nz/