



HEAL MY BROKEN

Heal My Broken Politics | Group Discussion Questions

SERMON RECAP

In “Heal My Broken Politics,” the sermon calls believers to place their hope and identity in Christ above any political allegiance. Drawing from scriptures like Genesis 1:27, Matthew 22:34-40, Romans 13, and Philippians 3:20, the message emphasizes that every person is made in God’s image and that our highest calling is to love God and our neighbors, even those we disagree with. The sermon cautions against letting political preferences divide the church or overshadow our mission to make disciples. Instead, it challenges us to engage thoughtfully and prayerfully in politics, to honor governing authorities, and to remember that our ultimate citizenship is in God’s eternal kingdom, not any earthly nation.

GET STARTED

- On a scale from 1 to 10, how interested are you in politics?
- What do you look forward to most—and dread most—about presidential election years?

TAKE IT IN

- What encouraged and/or challenged you from the message this week? Why?

TALK IT OVER

- Trey said, “What consumes us often reveals where we really put our trust.” What’s one thing (news, social media, arguments) that tends to consume your attention? How does that shape your trust?

Read Genesis 1:27 & John 13:34-35

- How does recognizing God’s image in every person, including those we disagree with, change our interactions and attitudes?
- In the message we learned that, “It’s possible to be right about an issue and wrong in my spirit.” Can you think of a time when you were “right” but failed to love like Jesus in your attitude or words? What did you learn?
- This weekend, we were challenged, “Do not let your political convictions become an excuse to stop loving people.” What are some practical ways you can show love to those who strongly disagree with your beliefs?

Read 1 Corinthians 9:19–23

- In the passage, Paul talked about his method of influence. What stands out to you? How would you rate yourself in trying to empathize with and understand someone else's mindset?
- Many of us naturally shy away from engaging with people who hold different political beliefs. Have you ever found yourself avoiding conversations or relationships with those whose political views differ from your own? If so, what are some reasons behind that hesitation? If not, what has helped you move toward and connect with people who see things differently, and how has that shaped your perspective or relationships?

Read Romans 13:1-2, Philippians 3:19-21, 1 Peter 2:11-17

- How do you respond to the idea that all governing authorities are established by God? What challenges or tensions do you feel when applying this teaching, especially when you disagree with those in power?
- Think about the leader over you in your life (a boss to the President). What does it look like to honor and pray for leaders at times you may agree or disagree with them, while standing firm in your convictions?
- Scripture reminds us that our "citizenship is in heaven" and that we are "foreigners and exiles" in this world. In what ways does remembering that our true citizenship is in heaven shift the way you approach politics, identity, or your hopes for the future? What does it mean to live as "foreigners and exiles" in your culture today?
- Honestly reflecting on your own life, would you say you are more likely to let your faith shape your political views, or do you sometimes find yourself shaping your faith to fit your politics? What experiences or influences have led you there? What practical steps can we take to ensure that our faith in Jesus is what most clearly defines us?

Read John 17:20–23

- Jesus takes a moment to pray for future believers (us). What stands out to you? How would you define "unity"? In what ways does unity among Christians, especially across political or cultural differences, serve as a powerful witness to those outside the church? What practical steps can we take to pursue this kind of unity today?

LIVE IT OUT

This week, remember that following Jesus means allowing your identity in Christ to shape every conversation, relationship, and interaction; even with those who see the world differently. In a culture often marked by division, mark yourself with prioritizing time in Scripture and prayer. **Think about the people in your life, where you need to choose to listen before speaking, extend kindness, and pursue unity without compromising truth. Or, how can you begin praying for leaders or someone with different beliefs?** Every act of humility, respect, and love is an opportunity to root your identity in Christ and reflect Him to a divided world. Sometimes, the greatest witness isn't found in winning an argument, but in showing the love of Jesus to someone who sees the world differently.

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