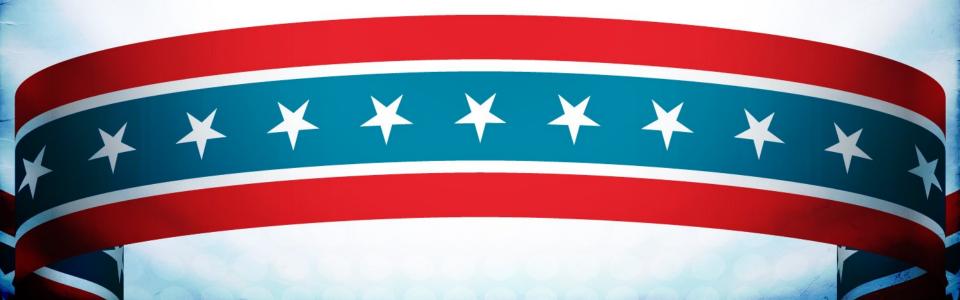
## Jesus, Elephants, and Donkeys When Faith and Politics Collide



#### **Politics**

"Poly" – Latin meaning "many"

"Tics" – blood sucking creatures



# In just two weeks, our nation will elect its 44th President



The purpose of this lesson is not to tell you how to vote, but to remind you of a few biblical truths.



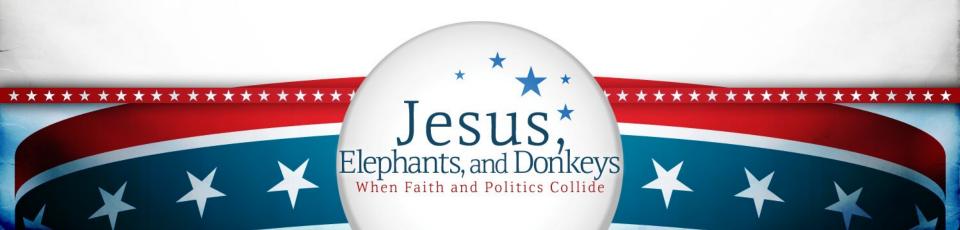
#### Nature of Government

- Government is an instrument of God
  - Appointed by God (Romans 13:1)
  - God's minister (Romans 13:4)



#### **Function of Government**

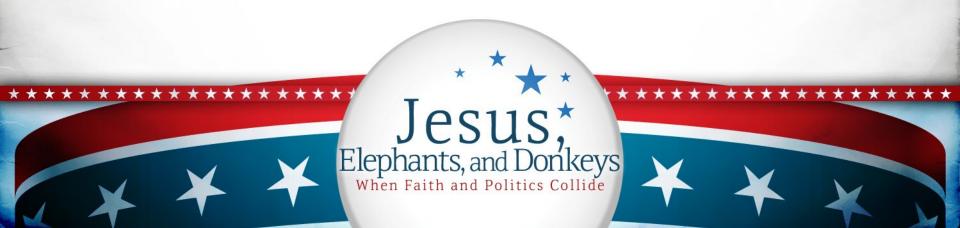
- Restrain and Punish Evil
  - (Romans 13:1-4)
- Protect and Promote Good
  - (Romans 13:4; 1 Timothy 2:1-2)



- Jesus Christ is King of Kings
  - 1 Timothy 6:15
  - Revelation 17:14
  - Daniel 4:32
  - Isaiah 40:15



- Our Citizenship is in Heaven
  - Philippians 3:17-20
  - Acts 5:29
  - Matthew 6:10



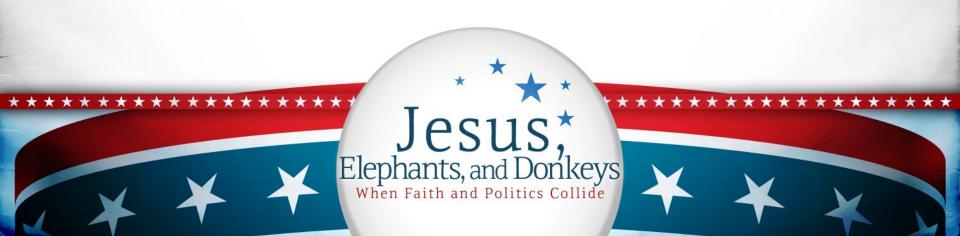
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 I wish more Christians would be as willing to promote Jesus Christ to the lost as they are their presidential candidate to their neighbors.



 I wish more Christians would be as willing to defend the doctrine of Christ as they are the platform of their political party.



#### Reminder:

- Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord (Psalm 33:12).
- Righteous exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people (Proverbs 14:34).
- God will accomplish his purposes, with or without us (Psalm 33:10).
- Kingdoms of men may rise and fall, but the Kingdom of God will stand forever (Daniel 2:44; Habakkuk 3:17-19).