

When Christians vote en masse, *biblical citizenship is unleashed*; and when biblical citizenship is unleashed, good things happen in our states and our nation. Together, we have the power to advance Christian family values in policy, elections, and culture, and it begins when people of faith accept the tremendous rights, responsibilities, influence, and opportunities they have as citizens—**including the right to VOTE!**

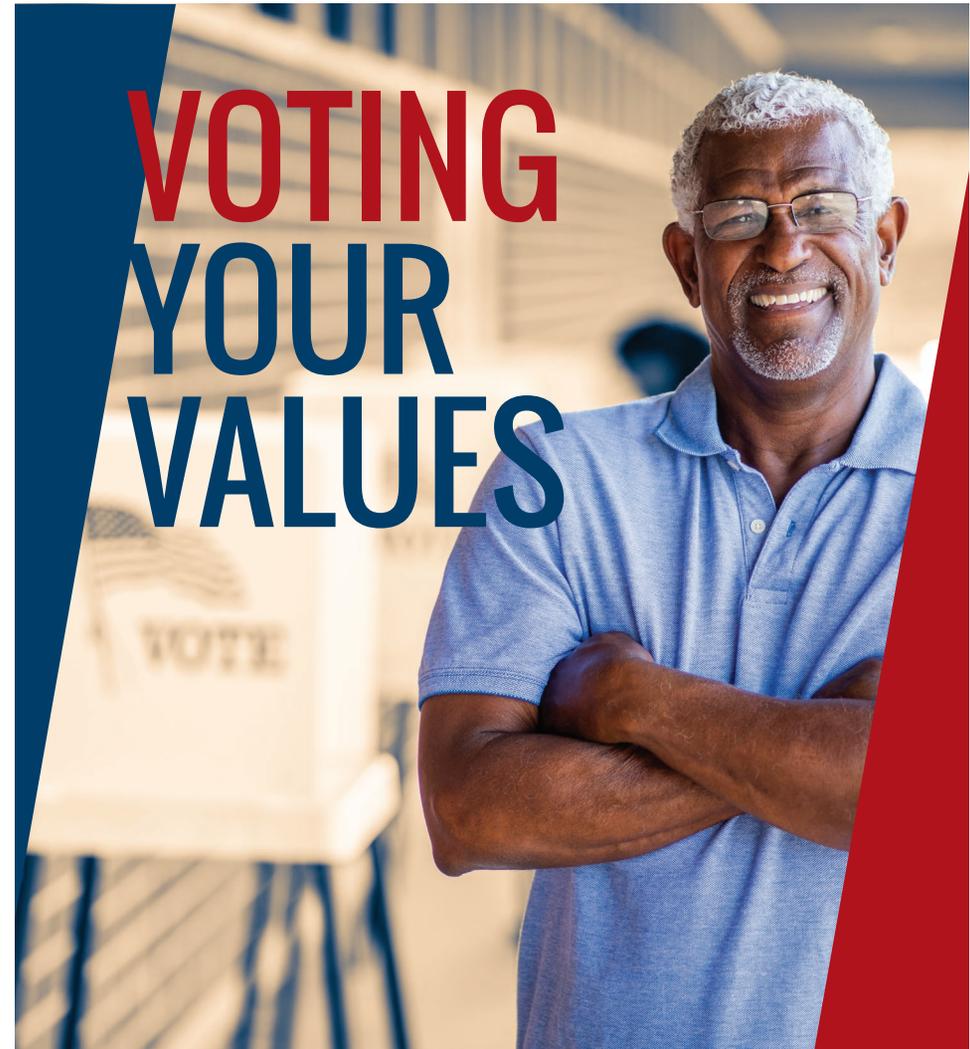
CHECKLIST Are you ready?

- I am registered to vote.
- I know the date of the election.
- I know where to vote (polling location) and the polling hours.
- I have researched the candidates and I am prepared to vote for those who will honor God, support religious liberty, work to strengthen the family and parental rights, and defend innocent life.
- I have researched the initiatives on the ballot and I am prepared to vote in accordance with Scripture and my Christian faith.
- I am ready to **UNLEASH BIBLICAL CITIZENSHIP** in my state!



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Family Policy Alliance is committed to advancing biblical citizenship by equipping and electing statesmen, promoting policy, working with an effective alliance of state-based and national partners, and amplifying the voices of pro-family citizens.



VOTING YOUR VALUES

A GUIDE FOR CHRISTIAN VOTERS

Our vision at Family Policy Alliance is a nation where God is honored, religious freedom flourishes, families thrive, and life is cherished. To achieve this vision, Christians have a critical role to play—particularly in elections.



We've produced this guide to assist you in your decisions as a biblical citizen.

WHAT is Biblical Citizenship?

To answer that, we need look no further than the prophet Daniel, who when given a vision by God of future times proclaimed, “***the people who know their God shall stand firm and take action***” (Daniel 11:32). Consider this—as God gives Daniel a glimpse of the battles ahead, there, in the midst of the struggle, we see God’s people not only *present*, but *standing firm*. Today, the battle against God’s truth (John 14:6) is growing more intense, but just like in the days of Daniel, God’s people are present and actively working to proclaim the Gospel in its fullness. Biblical citizens understand that while this world is not our home (Philippians 3:20), we are stewards with a God-given mission to fulfill—to know, live, and proclaim God’s Word (2 Timothy 3:16) and to act in ways that bring transformation to the communities, societies, nations, and world in which we live (Jeremiah 29:7).

WHY should I vote?

This question and similar ones persist in our culture and are debated fervently within the Christian community. More often, however, they are raised by those who wish to silence the church in hopes of deterring Christian engagement. At Family Policy Alliance, we believe Christians should engage in *more* public debate, not less. As such, we hold that Christians who live in a representative republic should not only vote but do much more by being informed on the issues and candidates’ positions, and, if called, running for and holding public office themselves.

HOW should I vote?

Christians are often confronted with statements like, “*You shouldn’t bring your faith to the voting booth!*” or “*Christians should stay out of politics!*” To these and other similar statements, we would ask, “Is there any issue our culture defines as *political* that isn’t first *biblical*?” Consider this—issues like life, marriage and family, sexuality, parental rights, education, religious liberty, assisted suicide, good government, and every other issue we face in society are *all* found in Scripture.

Therefore, as Christian citizens, we have an obligation to align our values with Scripture and then bring them to the voting booth to elect candidates and promote issues that best reflect those godly values.

WHO should I vote for?

Once we establish what our values are, we should vote for the candidate(s) who will advance and support them. At Family Policy Alliance, our core issues are religious freedom, family, and life. As such, we encourage Christian voters to vote for men and women who will support religious liberty, work to strengthen the family and parental rights, and defend innocent life. To help you understand where federal candidates stand on these issues, we have created an interactive voter guide. We also have additional voter resources available on our election page. If you have an opportunity to attend a debate or town hall meeting event, our resources will help you prepare some questions in advance to ask the candidate(s) about these issues.

WHEN should I vote?

From your local election for school board to our national election for President of the United States, every election is important and every election has consequences. Therefore, we encourage Christians to vote in every election at the local, state, and federal levels with the understanding that those we elect, from the court house to the White House, will exert some level of authority over our lives. Keep in mind that in most states, you have three options to choose from when voting— (1) you can vote on Election Day, (2) you can vote early, or (3) you can request an absentee ballot. Be sure to know the rules for your state.

WHERE do I vote?

For information on voter registration, upcoming elections, and polling locations, check out the Secretary of State’s website for your state.