

Only when you cast your vote do you fulfill your Christian responsibility in government.

Exercise the influence that God has given you through our unique system of self-government. If you fail to vote conscientiously for godly rule, evil will increase in our nation. “When rulers are wicked, their people are too” (Proverbs 29:16). Our nation will then bear the consequences of our choices. “You will cry out for relief from the king you have chosen, and the Lord will not answer you in that day” (1 Samuel 8:18, NIV).

It is commonly believed that decisions in America are made by a majority of the people. This is not so. Decisions are made by a majority of those who vote. As few as 16 percent of all eligible voters in a district can elect a member of Congress. Even presidents have been elected by an average of one-half the votes per precinct nationwide.

By one vote, Texas was admitted to the Union; Hitler won leadership of the German Nazi Party; and the U.S. House of Representatives elected Thomas Jefferson as President. Your one vote does make a difference!

*The elective franchise, if guarded **as the ark of our safety**, will peaceably dissipate all combinations to subvert a Constitution, dictated by the wisdom, and resting on **the will of the people**.*

Thomas Jefferson

*The **rational** and **peaceable** instrument of reform, the suffrage (votes) of the people.*

Thomas Jefferson

*A share in the sovereignty of the state, which is exercised by the **citizens** at large, **in voting at elections** is one of the most important rights of the subject, and in a republic ought to stand **foremost** in the estimation of the law.*

Alexander Hamilton