

We Must Always Think Like Christians

At times of elections or referendums our country is seriously divided.

Political and military giants are squaring off in a battle of words that may have consequences not only at home but throughout the world for years to come.

The issues that divide our leaders are so important that few people can remain neutral. Almost everyone has a pronounced opinion and is sure that they are right.

Feeling is running high, but most of our thinking is being done with our emotions, for too often the plain truth is being hidden by both sides.

One thing must be kept in mind by true Christians is that we are Christians first and every other allegiance comes as a distant fact in our thinking and actions.

Our citizenship is in heaven, [**Ephesians 2:19; Philippians 3:20**] the Kingdom of God.

We are thankful for democracy as a way of life that gives us freedom of religious thought, but we must never forget we are children of God and citizens of another city whose builder and maker is God, [**Hebrews 11:8-10**].

For this reason, we must not identify the message we preach to the world with any political system, or make Christianity to be synonymous with any form of government, however noble.

Jesus Christ, our King and Saviour, stands alone, above and outside of every ideology devised by human beings.

A true Christian will be loyal to their country and obedient to those in authority, but will never fall into the error of confusing their own national culture with Christianity.

Christianity is bigger than any country, loftier than any civilisation, broader than any human ideology.

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, [**John 1:1-3, 14**] is vastly more than a Jew, the name He preferred was "*the Son of Man.*"

Jesus Christ as Son of God came to humanity through the Jewish race.

Remember that the message that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, brought from God the Father is a divine thing. It receives no virtue from any of human religions or philosophies.

Any form of human government, however, lofty, deals with the citizen as long as they live, at the graveside it bids them adieu. It may have made life's journey a little easier, but in the cold of death slaves and free lie down together, rich and poor, members of every political party.

Then what will matter the talk and turmoil of political squabble.

What will matter is divine judgement and the hope of eternal life.

So let us keep cool and think like Christians.