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TITLE: **How To Talk Politics As a Family**

Political talk is everywhere right now — it's on the news and all over social media, it's happening in-person between friends and family, and it's most likely happening at your kitchen table too.

Here are three key things to believe and consider about how you talk about politics...

- 1. Remember that our God alone is sovereign and rules every country and its leaders.** He already knows the future laid out for us—for his greatest glory AND our ultimate good. When we speak and act like a single election or vote is going to determine the fate of our futures, we are showing our unbelief in God's authority and goodness.
- 2. Practicing your gospel fluency with your children is always a good way to approach a topic.** Help your kids see the “thing behind the thing” in what politicians, newscasters, and others are saying. What is the real issue, and where does our hope really lay? Ask these questions in connection to an issue, policy, or protest: Who is God, and what is he and his character like in connection to this topic? What has he done in and throughout history to show us this is consistently true of him? How does Jesus' life, death, and resurrection speak to our ultimate hope and his willingness to care for us? What does all of this say is true for us and our identity, authority, and privilege? And, how do we *get to* respond in light of all of these truths?
- 3. Spend more time praying together as a family for the politicians and elections we are privileged to have a vote in.** Don't believe everything you hear or read. Always seek to educate yourself from both sides of an issue, and let prayer guide your response. In all of this, you will help your children to develop a gospel-centered approach to our government and politics and develop rational opinions and choices from a place of integrity and faith.

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~Caesar