

Civility

▶ Don't let **_politics_** **_define_** you

*²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ.
(Philippians 3:20)*

*⁹But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.
(1 Peter 2:9)*

▶ Keep **_yielding_** to God's **_Spirit_**

*¹⁹The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.
(Galatians 5:19-21)*

*²²But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness and self-control.
Against such things there is no law.
(Galatians 5:22-23)*

▶ **Don't turn disagreement into hatred**

*¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.
(Romans 12:14)*

*⁷Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.
(Romans 13:7)*

*⁸Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.
(Romans 13:8)*

▶ **Keep pointing back at yourself**

¹³“You are the salt of the earth . . .

¹⁴“You are the light of the world . . .

*¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.
(Matthew 5:13-14,16)*

***¹⁴And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive, encourage the disheartened, help the weak, be patient with everyone.
(1 Thessalonians 5:14)***