

VOTÉMOS: 2020 ELECTION AND VOTING ANALYSIS

FOR HISPANIC EVANGELICAL VOTERS IN THE 2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

As Hispanic Evangelicals, we believe that a Gospel-centered public agenda reflects care about the sanctity of life, and justice & compassion for the poor and vulnerable.

The Gospel underscores care for marriages, families, and children, as well as the pursuit of racial justice and reconciliation. In addition, a Biblically based approach should seek the promotion of peace and restraining violence. However, what the Gospel requires of us in so many areas often remain unaddressed; therefore, we invite you to engage in a whole-Gospel public agenda. This requires us to pray and be fully informed.

This is NOT an endorsement of any candidate but rather an analysis of where they stand on some issues of importance to our communities.

Please note that this is not an exhaustive list. Also, this is in alphabetical order by topic – not in order of priorities.

We invite you to prayerfully consider these equally important priorities.

Creation Care		Scriptural Principle	TRUMP	BIDEN
Environmental Protection	Supports reducing greenhouse gas and emissions	Ps. 24:1-2, Rom. 8:19-21		✓
Climate Accord	Rejoin the Paris Agreement (an international agreement to deal with impacts of climate change and support them in their efforts).	Gen. 1:31, Ps. 95:3-5 Num. 35:33-34		✓
Protection of Public Waters & Public Land	End Fossil Fuel (oil & gas) drilling in public waters and public lands, thus protecting wildlife.	Ps. 65:9-13, Gen. 2:15 Lev. 25:23-24	✓ (only banned drilling off the coasts of Florida, Georgia & South Carolina)	✓

Family		Scriptural Principle	TRUMP	BIDEN
Marriage	Supports traditional definitions of marriage in public policy	Gen. 1:27, Gen. 2:24, Matt. 19:4-6	✓	
Paid Family Leave	Support parents to take time off from work to care for a newborn or recently adopted child.	Deut. 15:7, Ex. 20:12, Ps. 127:3-5	✓	✓
Earned Income Tax Child Credit	Trump: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$2000 per year per qualifying child Biden: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$3000 per year per child ages 6-17 (changing the current law which excludes 17-year-olds) • \$3600 per year per child ages 0-5 	Deut. 15:11, 1 Jn. 3:17	✓	✓

Healthcare		Scriptural Principle	TRUMP	BIDEN
Health Coverage	Guarantee health coverage to everyone just as every other industrialized nation.	Jer. 30:17, Jer. 33:6, Matt. 9:12.		✓
Lower Drug Prices	Support lowering the cost of prescription drugs.	Jer. 33:6, Ps. 41:3, Jer. 8:22	✓	✓

Immigration		Scriptural Principle	TRUMP	BIDEN
DACA Protection	Protect Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), which protects about 650,000 young people who entered the US without documents as children.	Ex. 23:9, Lev. 19:33		✓
Family Unity	Include family unity as a criterion for immigration policies.	Ex. 12:49		✓
Immigrant Families	Extend support to mixed-status immigrant families already in the U.S.	Ex. 12:49, Lev. 24:22		✓
Refugees	Keep the levels of refugee and asylum-seeker admissions at historic levels.	Matt. 25:37-40		✓
Human Trafficking	Uphold the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA)	Ps. 82:4, Isa. 61:8		✓

Poverty		Scriptural Principle	TRUMP	BIDEN
Global & Domestic Nutrition	Increase congressional funding for global nutrition programs. Currently, nutrition represents only 4% of the total global health spending – less than a tenth of a percent of the whole federal budget.	1 Jn. 3:17, Prov. 21:13		✓
Social Safety Net Programs	Protect Federal Safety Net Programs such as SNAP, Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, Headstart, and TANF –which support low income individuals and families.	Prov. 14:31, Prov. 21:13, Lev. 19:9-10, Lk. 14:13-15		✓
Poverty Reduction	Reduce poverty and improve economic and employment opportunity for individuals and families.	Deut. 15:7, Matt. 25:37-40	✓ (Employer Approach)	✓ (Employee Approach)
Living Wage	Raise the national minimum wage to \$15 from \$7.25	Deut. 24:14, Mal. 3:5, James 5:4		✓
Earned Income Tax Child Credit	Provide a financial boost to families with children.	Lev. 23:22, Deut 26:12	✓	✓

Race & Criminal Justice		Scriptural Principle	TRUMP	BIDEN
Capital-Punishment	Protect society in ways that are more respectful of human life and stop the nation's continued reliance on the death penalty.	Ezek. 18:23, Ex. 20:13		✓
Criminal Justice Reform	Reduce mandatory-minimum sentences, expand drug treatment programs for prisoners and allowing some prisoners to finish their sentences early with good behavior	Lev. 19:15, Deut. 1:16	✓	✓
Race	Support policies and trainings that address systemic racism and racial equity.	Acts 10:34-35 Acts 17:26		✓

<i>The Unborn & Pro-Life Issues</i>		Scriptural Principle	TRUMP	BIDEN
Abortion	Ban abortion, except for cases of rape, incest, or danger to the mother's life.	Ex. 20:13, Acts 17:25, Ps. 139, Jer. 1:5	✓	
Women's access to healthcare & nutrition	Expand pregnant women's access to health care. Protect social safety net programs (i.e., SNAP, Child Nutrition, WIC) to improve the lives of pregnant women experiencing poverty and destitution.	Jer. 29:11, Ps. 127:3, 3 Jn. 1:2		✓
Death Penalty	Support efforts to end the use of the death penalty, and support efforts to address unfairness and injustice related to application of the death penalty.	Ezek. 18:23, Ex. 20:13		✓

President Trump and Vice President Biden's positions were taken from their campaign websites, the official White House website, Vice President Biden's voting record as a six-term Senator, public speaking engagements, and their verified Twitter accounts.

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