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Voting Accountable to God?

I once received an angry reaction to a column in which I stated that **we will be held accountable to God** if we vote for candidates who support the aborting of over 3,700 unborn babies in our nation every day, for these *“children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward”* (Psalm 127:3), or if we vote for candidates who support homosexual behavior (sodomy) which God calls *“abomination”* in Leviticus 20:13.

The Bible commands, *“whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God”* (1 Corinthians 10:31). Voting is something you **do**, and it should impact society **for good to the glory of God!** *“And whatsoever ye do...do all in the name of the Lord Jesus”* (Colossians 3:17). While handing literature to voters years ago, I said, “Please vote pro-life.” After voting, a young man told me that when he heard my appeal, he was struck with **an awesome realization of the consequences of his vote and his accountability before God.** As a result, **he changed his vote** to a candidate who defended the innocent unborn!

Accountable to God for how we vote? Absolutely! *“For God shall bring every work (including voting) into judgment”* (Ecclesiastes 12:14). *“So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God”* (Romans 14:12). Founding father and signer of the Declaration of Independence, Samuel Adams, said, “Let each citizen remember at the moment he is offering his vote...that **he is executing one of the most solemn trusts in human society for which he is accountable to God and his country.**” This is why we must educate ourselves as to a candidate’s stand on the issues. You can quickly and easily do that at: <http://www.votesmart.org/voteeasy> Then, **vote for those who support biblical values!**

I urge you to see David Barton’s video **“Your Vote Counts”** at: <http://www.wallbuilders.com/LIBissuesArticles.asp?id=6498>