



### Early Voting Begins Monday, October 21<sup>st</sup>!

- Fifty-two percent of Americans say they go to church every week.
- Of those 52%, only half are registered to vote.
- And of those registered to vote, only half of those actually do vote.

That's only 1 out of 4 church-going Christians, whatever their denomination, who bother to vote. If just 2 out of the 4 voted, we would win *everything*. You've seen how close all these races are. What a difference it would make if God's people would vote. Please be one of them.

Important dates:

Early voting starts Monday, October 21

Early voting ends on Friday, November 1

Election day is Tuesday, November 5

#### **Prayer for an Election**

Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city, state, and country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community.

We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse, violence, deceit, and poverty. We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your kingdom.

We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his apostles and guide us to your kingdom of justice and peace. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.