## **Christian Nationalism**

What is it?
Why is it dangerous?
What can we do about it?

Thursdays in Lent, March 6-April 3, noon to 1pm

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Since the late 1970's, the influence of Christian Nationalism has grown and spread in the U.S. This phenomenon, which one scholar calls "a cultural framework asserting that all civic life in the United States should be organized according to a particular form of conservative Christianity" challenges us as Christians and Americans, as it relies upon principles and actions contrary to our gospel values, including:



- The assertion that the U.S.A. was formed as a "Christian nation" and that Christianity should occupy a privileged place
- A cavalier attitude toward political violence
- Advocacy for free market capitalism
- The claim that Christians must dominate the "seven mountains" of society: family, religion, education, media, arts and entertainment, business, and government
- Misunderstanding (or negation) of the line of separation between church and state.
- Isolationist sentiments: racism, anti-immigrant bias, sexism, etc.

Because Christian Nationalism is currently exerting great power upon government and society, it is crucial that church leaders and members understand how to recognize the ways that it conflicts with the gospel of Jesus Christ. We will spend five sessions looking at the origins of Christian nationalism, its fundamental tenets, how it has influenced culture over the past three decades, and how Christians are called to confront this heresy.

Register here for this free opportunity: <a href="https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/9778580">https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/9778580</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Whitehead, Andrew L. *American Idolatry: How Christian Nationalism Betrays the Gospel and Threatens the Church.* Grand Rapids, Michigan: Brazos Press. 2023