

Politicians are increasingly using Christianity to support their agendas. Here are 5 things to keep in mind:



There is no such thing as a “Christian nation”

Individual people, not places, have faith in Jesus. At the end of His time on Earth, Jesus says “go and make disciples of all nations”, not “go and build a Christian nation.”



Politicians often talk about “Christian values” but deliver policies that aren’t Christian

The idea of “christian values” has been used throughout history to justify apartheid, Nazism, and the slave trade. Christians often question what politicians actually mean when they use this phrase.



Christianity is a multicultural religion

One of the defining features of Christianity is that it is a multicultural religion. At the end of the bible, Christians believe “every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages” will be with God in heaven.



Christians primary call is to love other people, including people who are different

Part of Jesus’ greatest command is to ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ When asked to define “neighbour” he tells the famous story of the good Samaritan - a story which highlights the goodness in someone from a different religious group.



Christians, muslims, jews, and people of other faiths can live together in peace

In many places across the world and in the UK, Christians live at peace with people from other faith groups. Christians believe Jesus is the only way to God but this doesn’t stop them caring for people of other faiths in their communities.