

## QUESTIONS & ANSWERS.

**Q.** Should we vote or hold public office?

**A.** 'Render to Caesar the things which are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's.' (Matt. 22:21.) If we have changed our allegiance from this world to Heaven—if we 'are not of this world'—if 'our citizenship is in heaven' (John 17:16. Phil. 3:20) then we are aliens, pilgrims and strangers and not citizens of this country, and should claim and use only such favours as are accorded to *aliens*. If we are wholly consecrated to God, we have neither time nor influence to devote to politics. If we see clearly that present governments are those of the 'prince of this world' and must all be shattered and give place to the Kingdom of God for which we pray, 'Thy kingdom come', then we shall have no further desire to be mixed up with them in any way.

The 'little flock' is so small and insignificant anyhow, that their votes would not turn the scale. Let the world manage its own government while we wait for ours.

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