

Professor Offers This Advice for Christians Frustrated by Trump

Bruce Ashford, the Provost and Dean of Faculty at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, as well as a professor of Theology and Culture, penned an op-ed for FOX News explaining for evangelicals who are frustrated by the very likely nomination of Donald Trump how they can turn the situation into a positive.

The author of *One Nation Under God: A Christian Hope for American Politics* said many evangelicals will be tempted to detach themselves from the political process out of a feeling of helplessness. But, he added, they shouldn't despair:

Although we have lost the nomination contest, at the same time we surely have won an opportunity to regain our evangelical witness ...

If we evangelicals are going to regain our voice in upcoming years, we must reposition ourselves as something other than the religious special interest arm of the Republican Party. I am a registered Republican. I've voted Republican in every election. But first and foremost, I am a Christian. My allegiance to Christ and the gospel transcends my allegiance to the Republican Party; if and when the GOP's platform or politicians are at odds with my Christian convictions, I will leverage my Christianity to criticize the party.

Let us remind ourselves that these are things we should have been doing all along. We've failed to do so consistently or recognizably, and the rise of Trump's candidacy offers us remarkable and irreplaceable opportunity. The moment has come to seize it.

To read the entire op-ed, [click here](#).