

The Master's University Panel Dissects the 2016 Election

A panel of government and foreign policy experts taking part in a recent summit at The Master's University went through the difficult process of deconstructing the 2016 presidential election to answer one simple question:

Can I sincerely put my support, my vote, behind a candidate as corrupt and foolish as Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton?

Likening them to Herod and Jezebel, four panelists addressed a captive audience of more than 1,200 on the issues facing our nation and concerns surrounding this year's election. They logically went through what one should look for in a candidate based on biblical principles.

The event was moderated by Jack Cox, president of The Communications Institute. The panelists were:

- **Soeren Kern**—a distinguished senior fellow at the New York-based Gatestone Institute, a non-partisan foreign policy think tank chaired by Ambassador John R. Bolton. He is also a senior analyst at the Madrid-based Strategic Studies Group, a think tank linked to former Spanish Prime Minister José Maria Aznar. Soeren is specialized in American foreign policy, European politics and transatlantic defense- and security-related issues. He is also a regular commentator on the geopolitics of Islam. Soeren graduated with a degree in diplomacy and international security from the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. He also studied Middle Eastern history and geopolitics at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
- **Dr. John Stead**—With his doctoral work at USC focused on the triumvirate of American Politics, Political Theory,

and Comparative Politics, Stead's passion and interest lies in the contemporary relationship between church and state. For 46 years he has communicated this passion with his students at The Master's University and the governmental and educational institutions of Albania, where he lectures annually. He serves as the vice president of academic affairs and a professor of History & Political Studies at TMU.

- **Dr. Gregg Frazer**—Receiving his Ph.D. from Claremont Graduate University, Frazer has not ceased to study the founding of America and 19-century political philosophy. This dedication can be seen in his book *The Religious Beliefs of America's Founders: Reason, Revelation, and Revolution*, which discusses the philosophy and theology America was founded upon. He has contributed to *The Forgotten Founders on Religion and Public Life* and is currently working on a new publication. He is a professor of History and Political Studies at The Master's University.
- **Dr. John MacArthur**—president of The Master's University & Seminary, pastor-teacher of Grace Community Church, MacArthur is a frequent commentator on the role of the church in society across various media outlets including CNN and Headline News. He has written more than 150 books and his preaching can be heard daily around the world through Grace To You.

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