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CAN WE LIVE TOGETHER IN PEACE?

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Matthew 22: 16b

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Matthew 22: 21 - 22

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Then he said to them, “So give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s.” 22 When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

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The Positive Approach to Politics

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Matthew 5: 7

7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

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Matthew 5: 9

9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

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Matthew 5: 32

32 But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery

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Matthew 5: 37

37 All you need to say is simply “Yes” or “No”; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

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Matthew 5: 14 - 15

14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

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Matthew 5: 16

16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

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Galatians 3: 26 - 27

26 So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, 27 for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

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Galatians 3: 28

28 There is neither Jew nor
Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor
is there male and female, for you
are all one in Christ Jesus.

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When either party wins an election, a certain percentage of the losing side talks openly about leaving the country. They become agitated and fearful for the future. They have put the kind of hope in their political leaders and policies that once was reserved for God and the work of the gospel. When their political leaders are out of power, they experience a death. They believe that if their policies and people are not in power, everything will fall apart... opponents are not considered to be simply mistaken but to be evil.

Timothy Keller

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