

Reflections on the Interrelationship of Religion and Politics

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Abstract: *Religion and politics have a long history of interaction, and there may be genetic or social ties as well. They are substantially related. However, a lot of people seem to think this relationship is disgusting, absurd, or against the law. The relationship between religion and politics is a topic on which many people have strong views. For some, the connections are commendable, acceptable, and even essential to the survival of democracy and civilized society. Others see any religious influence on political life as fundamentally immoral, irrational, unconstitutional, and hostile to democracy, taking into consideration a variety of issues. Each viewpoint has some merit. To encourage a bit more tolerance, less anger, and maybe even communication across the chasm that divides these radically divergent opinions, my objective is to swiftly investigate the rationale(s) behind such opposite viewpoints. Even with even a superficial examination of these elements, skeptics need to be convinced that there are significant, significant, and significant connections between politics and religion.*

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