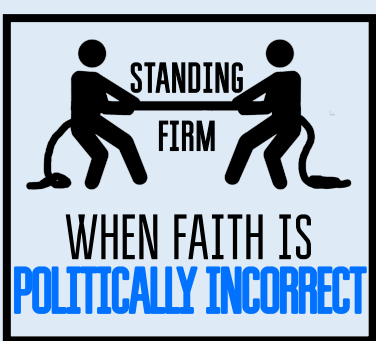


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KEEPING A SPIRITUAL FOCUS IN THIS MATERIAL WORLD





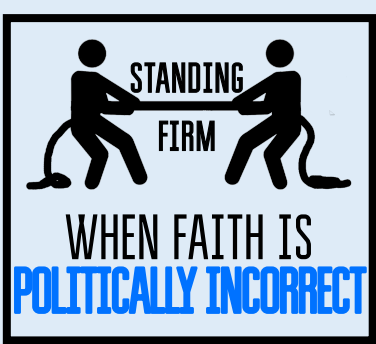
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“conforming to a belief that language and practices which could offend political sensibilities (as in matters of sex or race) should be eliminated.”

“Conforming or adhering to what is regarded as orthodox liberal **opinion on matters of sexuality, race, etc.: usually used disparagingly to connote dogmatism, excessive sensitivity to minority causes, etc.”**



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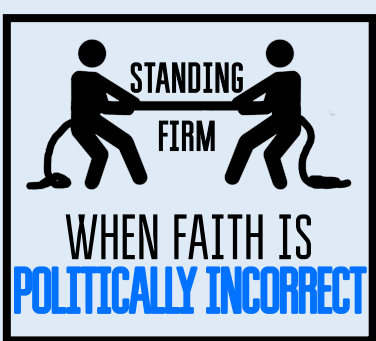
“The term's in wide use, certainly, but **has no actual fixed or specific meaning.”**

“Political correctness** can force people into fear of expressing their opinions. When people are scared about how their words and actions will affect other people, they are restricted in their ability to speak freely about some issues. This can be harmful because it limits what is being learned from others; it ultimately [silences] disagreements. Furthermore, political correctness can be used to **ignore facts**. Sometimes when people don't agree, try to claim that it is "politically incorrect" by giving you an illogical argument to try to retaliate.”**



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- What the Faith IS and IS NOT
 - IS NOT: Hate Speech and Bigotry
 - IS: Truth and Facts



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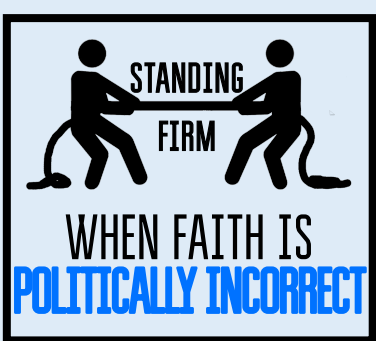
- When the Truth Offends

- Calling Sin What It Is: SIN

MATT. 15:1-12; 1ST COR. 6:9-10

- When Consequences Are Noted

MATTHEW 7:13, 21-23



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1ST COR. 6:9; MATT. 7:21; GAL. 5:21; EPH. 4:4-6

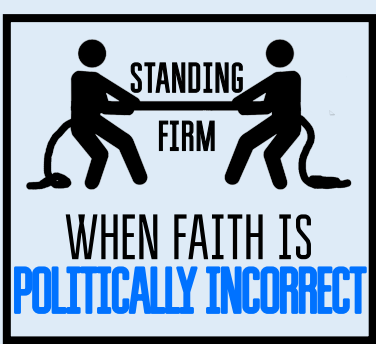
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TITUS 2:11, 12; ACTS 2:37, 38



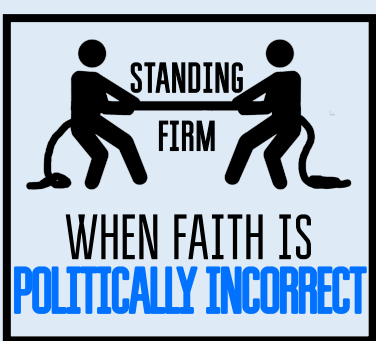
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 - Refusals to Accommodate
 - JOHN 3:19, 20**
 - When in the Minority



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- When Faith Will Not Conform
 - Upsetting the 'Norm'
ACTS 19:10-34
 - Turning the World Upside-Down
ACTS 17:5-7



Standing Firm

- First, LOVE

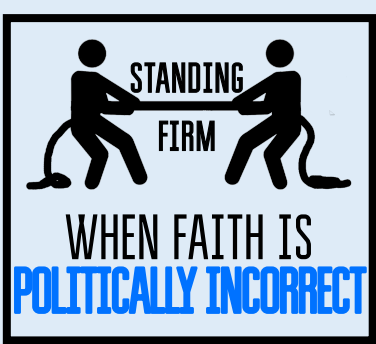
- Love All

MATT. 22:39; LUKE 10:25-37;

MATT. 5:44, 45; JOHN 10:34, 35

- Kindness to All

PROV. 19:22; MATT. 7:12; COL. 3:12-14



Standing Firm

- Continue to Speak Truth

- God's Word

JOHN 17:17; PSA. 119:160

- At All Times: When Desired & When Hated

2ND TIMOTHY 4:2-4



Standing Firm

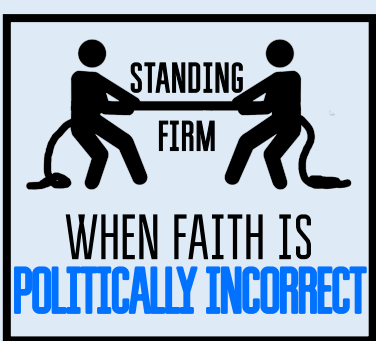
- Do Not Bend

- We Are to Not Conform

ROMANS 12:2; 8:29

- We Seek to Please God, Not Men

JOHN 12:42, 43



Standing Firm

- Live Like a True & Faithful Disciple

- Shine Your Light

MATTHEW 5:16

- Having Honorable Conduct

TITUS 2:12; 1ST PETER 2:11, 12

