

Scriptural Basis for Civic Engagement

Silence=Consent

Should the church become engaged in transforming the public school system (through our representative government) for the sake of the children, or should it remain silent?

- **Numbers 30** (silence=consent)
- **Leviticus 20:1-5** Children sacrificed to Molek: (Silence=Consent)
- **Proverbs 24:11-12** Rescue those unjustly sentenced to death
- **Acts 22:** Stephen Stoned/Saul watched, gave consent
- **Esther 4:14** (Silence=Consent)
- **Numbers 20** (Moses/Aaron: Commission/Omission=Judgment)
- **Jeremiah 36:21-25** King Jehoiakim/Burned Jeremiah's Prophecy
- **Mark 9:42** (causing children to sin)
- **Ezekiel 33** (Israel's Watchmen: Silence = Consent/Judgment)
- **Leviticus 5:1** (witnesses must speak out or face judgment)
- **Proverbs 29:24** (hearing curse/doing nothing)
- **Proverbs 28:23** (rebuke a man/find favor)
- **II Timothy 4:2** (..reprove, rebuke and exhort)
- **Titus 2:14-15** ("exhort and rebuke with all authority. Let no one disregard you.")