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A few thoughts:

- It's all too convenient for Christians to look at this video & say "These are not real Christians!" And to move on without self-examination or acknowledgement of the church's failures in the last 4 years (or 400 years for that matter)



- I don't often see this same energy when it comes to antebellum slavers, I hear "They were men of their times!"■■■■■

- These people in the video may or may not be "real Christians." The Lord allows the wheat to grow up with the tares, he will separate sheep and goats in the end.
- Regardless, All Christians must find their voice when self-identifying Christians misrepresent Christ and Kingdom.

- Dude's prayer makes clear that he was either raised in Church or has been around church a long time. IOW he was not discipled away from his views. He was discipled either toward his views or he has apparently been in a church whose

teachings are toothless re: this syncretism.

In the eyes of our neighbors, this brings shame on the whole church, not because the church has told inconvenient truths, but because these people have supported politically convenient lies.

And the fall out is that it’s now all the more difficult for our neighbors to tell the difference between historic, orthodox Christianity and this political theatre that has been written, produced, and directed by professing Christians.

For our neighbors, there was no discernible difference between the cross and the flag down on the National Mall last week. For our neighbors, the resurrection has been obscured by insurrection. For our neighbors, The Trinity has been overshadowed by a three-ring circus.

Each and every Christian must own our failures and take responsibility for the ways in which we have obscured the kingdom for our neighbors. **This is not a partisan issue. It’s a missiological issue.** Lament, repentance, and repair are our call right now.

Whether through our repentance & repair, our children, or the global church, The Lord will have a witness in this land. Either way, self-identifying Christians have some difficult inner work to do in this grievous cultural moment. Let the one who has ears...