

*Jesus and Politics*  
*Immigration*  
**Deuteronomy 10:17-19; Matthew 25:35**

Introduction

**Christian response to immigration:**

Political response:

1. Refugees: Matthew 2:13-15
2. Legal Immigrants: Ex. 22:21; 23:9; Lev. 19:33-34;  
Deut. 10:17-22
3. Illegal immigrants: Romans 13:1-2; 1 Peter 2:13-14

Personal response:

1. It is a response to God's created order. Genesis 1:27
2. It is a response to salvation. Ephesians 2:19
3. It is a response to Jesus. Matthew 25:35

### **Matthew 2:13-15**

<sup>13</sup> Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." <sup>14</sup> And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt <sup>15</sup> and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt I called my son."

### **Exodus 22:21**

"You shall not wrong a sojourner or oppress him, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt.

### **Leviticus 19:33-34**

<sup>33</sup> "When a stranger sojourns with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. <sup>34</sup> You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

### **Deuteronomy 10:17-22**

<sup>17</sup> For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. <sup>18</sup> He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. <sup>19</sup> Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. <sup>20</sup> You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. <sup>21</sup> He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen. <sup>22</sup> Your fathers went down to Egypt seventy persons, and now the LORD your God has made you as numerous as the stars of heaven.

### **Romans 13:1-2**

Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. <sup>2</sup> Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment.

### **1 Peter 2:13-14**

<sup>13</sup> Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, <sup>14</sup> or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good.

### **Matthew 25:35**

<sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me