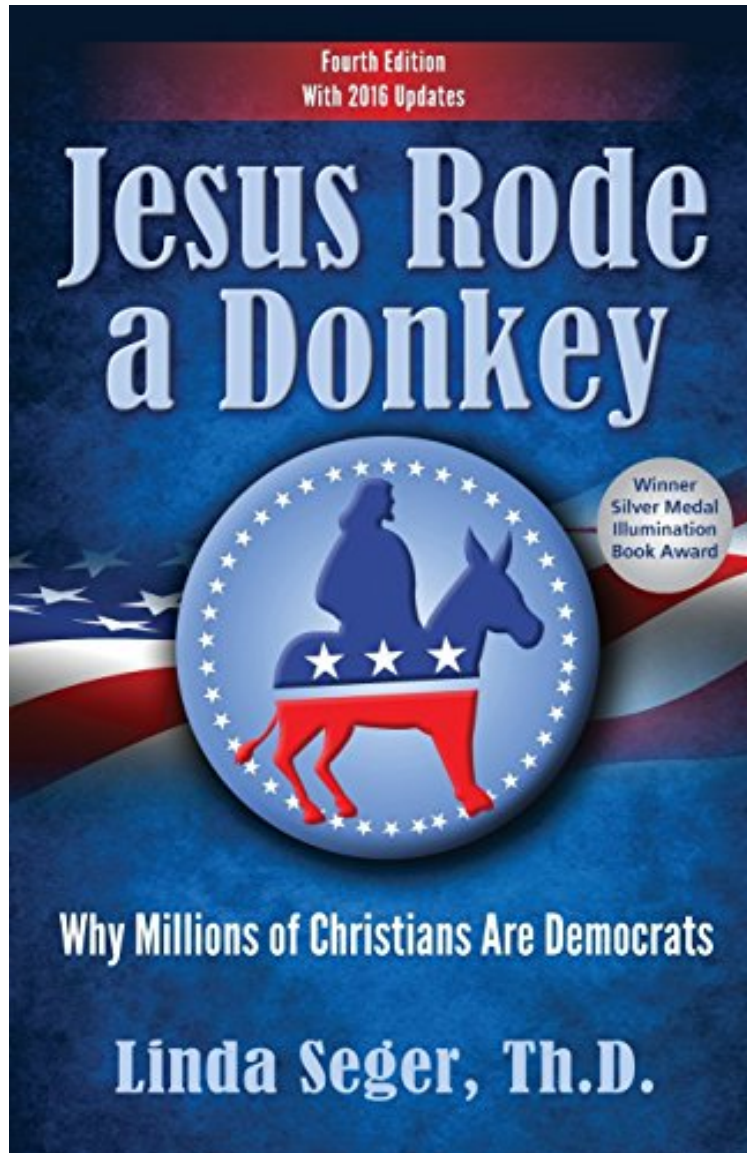


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Why Millions of Christians Are Democrats
By Linda Seger, Th.D.
Politics is something that can divide people and even the Church can be split when it comes to political allegiance. But with Jesus Rode a Donkey Linda Seger looks beyond the party platforms and looks at the heart of the issue. When voting one needs to look at how an individual candidate has portrayed their beliefs in their life and action not just in their official platform. The election process is one fraught with decisions that weigh upon the soul. How do I vote? Should I focus on the party platform? The individual's spoken stand? Or the candidate's life as a whole?
Looking at the two major parties, the greatest difference is seemingly the role of religion in America. But looking at the founding of our nation one has to acknowledge that the foundations were liberal in nature - the very idea of freedom was an unheard of concept. A monarchy free government, freedom to worship without a state endorsed religion, and the promise of equality were ideas of change. But equality's promise has not been enjoyed by all throughout America's history. And this is where our focus should be - WWJD (what would Jesus do?). Jesus came to those society looked down upon. He associated with the poor, the outcast, the ill. He showed neighborly love to all and didn't allow the dictates of society to determine whom should be His neighbor. How can we do any less?
Whether one agrees with the views of the author this is an interesting look at politics, Christianity, and America. Jesus rode a donkey when He entered Jerusalem and a donkey was symbolic with the lowly life He lived starting with His birth in a stable.
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If Jesus were alive today, would he: feed the poor - or give tax breaks to the super rich? Comfort the old and infirm - or cut Social Security? Build bridges that unite - or build walls that divide? Make peace - or make war? In this ground breaking book, noted author and theologian Linda Seger, Th.D., explores what it means to be a Christian and a Democrat - and shows how the two are not mutually exclusive but rather inclusive. She reveals the close relationship between Democratic policy and Jesus' teachings and the many ways in which the values Jesus espouses in the Bible correspond to the values Democrats call their own. The idea that America's real Christians vote strictly Republican crumbles when one studies the platforms of both parties. Jesus Rode a Donkey reminds the reader that Jesus and the prophets had a radical, progressive message that calls individuals and nations to feed the hungry, help the poor, heal the sick, care for the earth, free the oppressed, and love our enemies. The book won the Silver Medal Christian Living Illumination Book Award given for exemplary Christian writing.

"Linda Seger's 'Jesus Rode a Donkey: Why Millions of Christians are Democrats' is a political argument that Democratic and Christian values bear a natural kinship. . . Her work is impressive for its attempt to strike a tone unencumbered by ax-grinding ideology. . . An open-minded . . . introduction to the serious issue of Christianity's political leanings. Seger is to be credited with confronting serious questions about the intersection of religion and politics. . . ." - Kirkus
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"Jesus Rode a Donkey gives us an alternative to the current culture war that divides America and its faith communities. I can't think of a better Election Day gift for my Republican -- and Democratic -- friends." -- William McKinney, Ph.D., President, Pacific School of Religion
"You do not have to be a Republican to be a good Christian. Dr. Seger's excellent book helps make it clear that there are several strategic biblical issues in America . . . that are better addressed by Democrats. In the bright light of Scripture, many of us evangelicals, committed to its authority, truly dislike the forced dilemma between being a grieving Democrat of a frustrated Republican. Perhaps, as Dr. Seger reminds us, Jesus rode a donkey once, and his commands may become more clearly seen in the choices the present donkey makes for our future. Engaging some of the divine wisdom of this book could help make that happen." -- Paul de Vries, Ph.D., President, New York Divinity School
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