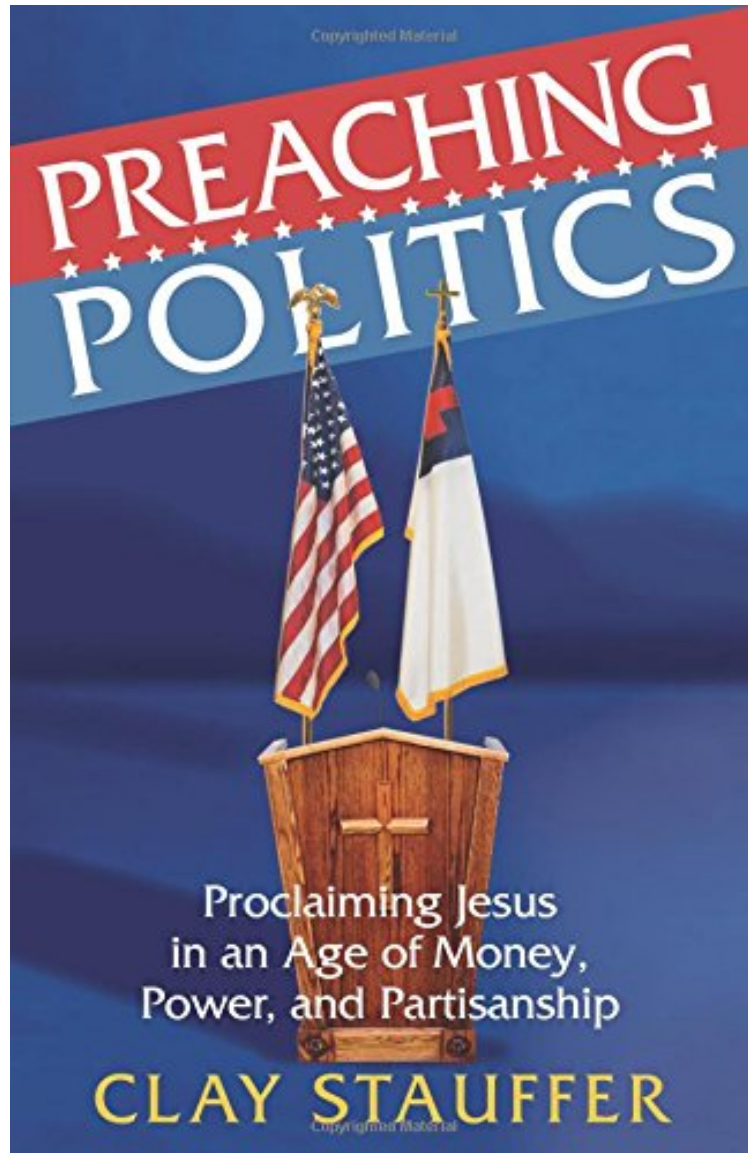


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Religion, politics, and money. Three things you're never supposed to discuss in polite company. But what if you're a pastor? Forget red state/blue state divisions, what happens when your church members disagree about politics? In this age of prosperity preaching, how do you preach, You cannot serve God and money? Clay Stauffer addresses the challenges that preachers face when serving a politically diverse congregation in *Preaching Politics*. Money, materialism, and their effects on modern-day faith and spirituality are viewed through the teachings of Jesus, as well as the work of Methodist pastor Adam Hamilton and Duke University ethicist Stanley Hauerwas.

Clay Stauffer is a pastor who knows what it's like firsthand to struggle with contemporary American sins, particularly the sin of our materialism. Like any good pastor Clay tries to listen to his congregation, listening also to some of the leading Christian thinkers. As he listens, he attempts to hear commonalities, opportunities for confluence of seemingly competing opinions, and in all things to build up the church as the Body of Christ with a responsibility to witness to God's beloved but rebellious world. I learned from Clay's book and commend it to churches struggling with fidelity to Christ in our American context. --Will Willimon, Professor of the Practice of Christian Ministry, Duke Divinity School, and United Methodist Bishop, retired
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