

# I Have A Friend Who Likes Joe Biden and Democrats

What Sadducees In Jesus' Time Shared In Common With Democrats Today- They were progressive, elite, secularists who often deemphasized religion and the supernatural.

The Sadducees Major Message- "Just love. Just include. Love and let live. Just make sure to keep power."  
Attribute of God Sadducees emphasized-LOVE

What Pharisees In Jesus' Time Shared In Common With Republicans Today- **They were legalistic, loop hole finders who acted like super- spiritual religionists.**

**Major Message - "Follow the rules or be excluded."**  
**Attribute of God most emphasized- RIGHTEOUSNESS**

"Then Paul, knowing that some of them were Sadducees and the others Pharisees, called out in the Sanhedrin, 'My brothers, I am a Pharisee, descended from Pharisees. I stand on trial because of the hope of the resurrection of the dead.' When he said this, a dispute broke out between the Pharisees and the Sadducees, and the assembly was divided. (The Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, and that there are neither angels nor spirits, but the Pharisees believe all these things.)". *Acts 23:6-8 NIV*

Sadducees:

1. Were culturally LIBERAL
2. Denied the SUPERNATURAL
3. Denied the RESURRECTION or afterlife
4. Believed people were inherently GOOD
5. Were DESPISED (along with Pharisees) by Jesus.

"But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptising, he said to them: 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance.'" *Matthew 3:7-8 NIV*

## **GET THIS:**

If your primary IDENTITY lines up with a one-sided PARTY, you are despised by Jesus.

Sadducees ultimately LOST all power and were eventually wiped out because they tried to wipe JESUS and Followers out as well.

"The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people, proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. They seized Peter and John and, because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day...Salvation is found in no-one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.' ...Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John replied, 'Which is right in God's eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen or heard. *Acts 4:1-3, 12, 18-20 NIV*

The part of God's nature that they emphasized was "Just LOVE/ Just INCLUDE" and "Don't offend by being so passionate about JESUS."

So What? So JESUS is supreme over all and He alone can save the world.

Now What? PUT Jesus FIRST and pray for God's kingdom to come on earth in and through Democrats as it is in heaven.

"This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.'" *Matthew 6:9-10 NIV*

And how do I interact with my Democratic friends? Ask for God's kingdom in every instance:

- What is true?
- What is kind?
- What is helpful?
- What is clear?

Then, DO what God guides you to do.