GATEKEEPERS & CRITICAL ASSISTANTS

BIBLICAL & MODERN



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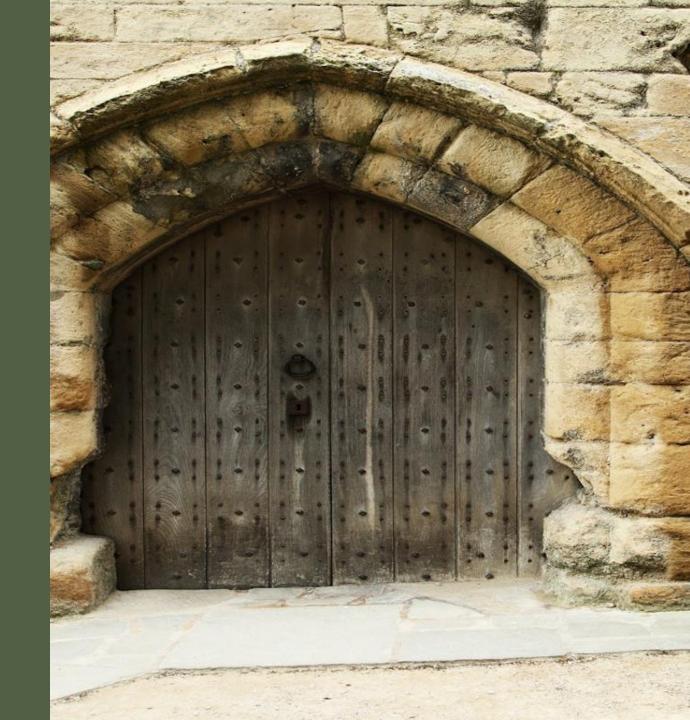
gate·keep·er

- 1. a person in charge of a gate, usually to identify, count, supervise, etc., the traffic that flows through it.
- 2. a person or thing that controls access, as to information, often acting as an arbiter of quality or legitimacy

BIBLICAL GATEKEEPERS

IN GOVERNMENT, CHURCH & SOCIETY

- Authority figures stationed at the gates
- High-ranking officials
 - manage access to a location, person, service, product or message
 - maintain order & security
- Symbols of protection; safeguard against evil
- Decision-makers



JOSEPH

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: CORN
GATHERERS & SALES TEAM

GATEKEEPER IN SOCIETY & GOVERNMENT

First, Joseph was overseer for Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard.

Genesis 39:4 And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand.

Then, he was given charge of prisoners.

Genesis 39:22 And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison...

And finally, he served as Pharaoh's second-in-command.

Genesis 41:40, 41 Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou...See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt.

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He spearheaded corn-gathering operations for seven years to provide life-saving food for Egypt and surrounding countries through seven years of famine.

Genesis 41:56, 57 And the famine was over all the face of the earth: And Joseph opened all the storehouses...And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy corn.

OBADIAH

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: BREAD & WATER DELIVERY TEAM

GATEKEEPER IN GOVERNMENT

Obadiah was the governor of King Ahab's house.

1 Kings 18: 3 And Ahab called Obadiah, which was the governor of his house. Now Obadiah feared the Lord greatly.

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God used Obadiah to save the lives of 100 prophets of the Lord after he heard Queen Jezebel's plot to kill them.

1 Kings 18:4 For it was so, when Jezebel cut off the prophets of the Lord, that Obadiah took an hundred prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water.

DANIEL

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: Three trusted friends (Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego)

GATEKEEPER IN GOVERNMENT

First, King Nebuchadnezzar made Daniel the ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon.

Daniel 2:48-49 Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon. Then Daniel requested of the king, and he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon.

Then, King Darius set Daniel over the Medes and Persians.

Daniel 6:1-2 It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom an hundred and twenty princes, which should be over the whole kingdom; And over these three presidents; of whom Daniel was first: that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

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By revealing the king's dream and the divine interpretation of it, he saved the lives of all the wise men in Babylon, including himself and his three friends.

Daniel 2:1-45 ...there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets...

He protected the king.

Daniel 2:49 But Daniel sat in the gate of the king.

ESTHER

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: Mordecai (her cousin) and Hatach (one of the king's chamberlains)

GATEKEEPER IN GOVERNMENT

Persian King Ahasuerus chose Esther to be his wife.

Esther 2:17 And the king loved Esther above all the women, and she obtained grace and favour in his sight more than all the virgins; so that he set the royal crown upon her head...

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Esther's cousin, Mordecai, sat in the king's gate. He overheard two of the king's chamberlains plotting to kill the king. He warned Esther.

Esther 2:22-23 And Esther certified the king thereof in Mordecai's name. And when inquisition was made of the matter, it was found out; therefore they (the evildoers) were both hanged on a tree...

When Haman plotted to exterminate the Jewish nation, Mordecai encouraged Esther to risk her life by approaching the king uninvited on behalf of her people. Esther's courage rescued the Jews.

Esther 4:10-11 ... Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him commandment unto Mordecai... whether man or woman, shall come unto the king into the inner court, who is not called, there is one law of his to put him to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the golden sceptre, that he may live.

Esther 4:13, 14 Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther...who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

NEHEMIAH

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: TEAMS OF WOOD GATHERERS, BUILDERS, GUARDS & PORTERS

GATEKEEPER IN GOVERNMENT

Nehemiah was the King Artaxerxes' cupbearer, and then he was appointed governor of Judah.

Nehemiah 1:11 For I was the king's cupbearer.

Nehemiah 5:14 ... I was appointed to be their governor in the land of Judah...

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A cupbearer was responsible for tasting the king's wine beforehand to ensure it was not poisoned. Nehemiah earned the trust of the king: the king granted his request to rebuild Jerusalem.

Nehemiah 2:5, 8 And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if they servant have found favour in thy sight, that thou wouldest send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build it...And a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the palace...And the king granted me, according to the good hand of my God upon me.

Nehemiah put together teams to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem despite multiple efforts by the opposition to subvert the work. Then, he organized government for the new city, registered the citizens by genealogy, renewed covenant with God and provided spiritual leadership for the resettled Jews.

TEMPLE PORTERS

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: FELLOW MEMBERS OF "FAMILY TEAMS"

GATEKEEPER IN GOD'S HOUSE

King David and Prophet Samuel gave the Levites a divine charge to be porters in the gates of the tabernacle.

1 Chronicles 9:22 All these which were chosen to be porters in the gates were two hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by their genealogy in their villages, whom David and Samuel the seer did ordain in their set office. So they and their children had the oversight of the gates of the house of the Lord, namely, the house of the tabernacle, by wards.

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The Levites were charged with protecting the site of holy worship and maintaining the tabernacle exactly as God prescribed. They had rotation of duties and division of labor.

1 Chronicles 9:14-34 ...and their fathers, being over the host of the Lord, were keepers of the entry...

THE APOSTLES

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: "CHURCH FAMILY" CARING FOR PHYSICAL, MATERIAL & SPIRITUAL NEEDS

GATEKEEPERS IN CHURCH & SOCIETY

The apostles (and all Christ followers) were given a divine commission to represent Christ to ALL nations – in all parts of society.

Matthew 28:19-20 Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

SAFEGUARD

The apostles were defenders of the truth, messengers of the gospel. Their lives were a model for us, showing us the sacrifices and rewards of being a faithful gatekeeper.

Revelation 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

MODERN GATEKEEPERS

IN GOVERNMENT, CHURCH & SOCIETY

- Elected officials (local to federal)
- Officers & executive committees of political parties (county to national)
- Election protection team leaders
- Political action committees
- Pastors & church leaders
- Faith-based non-profit leadership
- Media influencers & journalists



ELECTED OFFICIALS LOCAL to FEDERAL

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: CAMPAIGN DONORS & VOLUNTEERS, OFFICE STAFFERS AND THE "ELIZABETH POWELS" OF THE COMMUNITY

Need a refresher on how local and state government is structured or a reminder of who your elected officials are? Take the Government 101 for Citizens of Michigan Course at moveitchristian.com with exercises that help you identify your elected officials.

- School Board Members
- College & University Board Members
- Municipal (City or Township) Government Officials
- County Government Officials
- State Legislators
- State Executives
- Judges

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Elected officials at every level of American government are to be supporters and defenders of the U.S. Constitution and the American citizens they represent...especially the least among us. They are to protect the right to life, religious freedom, rights of free speech, assembly, press, freedom to care for one's health...

OATH FOR ELECTED OFFICE: I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God.

The "Elizabeth Powels" of the community, either men or women, assist elected officials in fulfilling their responsibilities by being a trusted source of accurate information, as the original Mrs. Powel was for the Founders. Read more at mountvernon.org.

PRECINCT DELEGATES, PARTY OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

COUNTY, DISTRICT & STATE

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: PARTY DONORS & VOLUNTEERS

Need a refresher on how the political parties are structured in Michigan? Take the Political Party Origins, Platforms & Structures

Course at moveitchristian.com with exercises that help you identify your political party representation.

Each major political party has a national platform, defining (or not) their positions on the sanctity of life, traditional marriage and family, protection of religious liberty and more. Political parties at the state, district and county levels often establish their own platform building on the principles described in the national party platforms.

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Precinct delegates elect party officers and executive committees: this makes the delegates the first line of defense in ensuring that party platforms remain true to the U.S. Constitution, the ultimate defender of our God-given inalienable rights.

All party officers and executive committees at the county, district, state and national levels are to unite around the U.S. Constitution and moral absolutes as the measure for internal party accountability, electability and governing. Party platforms should reflect this measure.

ELECTION PROTECTION TEAM LEADERS

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: DONORS & VOLUNTEERS

Our right to vote is sacred: the existence of our Constitutional Republic depends on free and fair elections. Systemic election corruption in Michigan and America is the biggest threat to our national survival.

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The election protection teams – lawyers, canvassers, inspectors, challengers, and more - who are genuinely fighting to obtain remedy for this existential threat are the real warriors in this battle to reverse our ever-increasing trajectory towards ruin and tyranny.

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE LEADERS

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: DONORS & VOLUNTEERS

Political Action Committees (PACs) are organizations that raise money privately to influence elections or legislation, and these are very valuable to constitutional candidates in several instances.

INFLUENCE PRIMARY ELECTIONS

All too often, there are "conservative" candidates whose values and actions are not at all reflective of the U.S. Constitution and moral absolutes. They need to be "primaried": this means a constitutionalist must beat them in the primary election to receive the party nomination. While political parties do not typically endorse or support candidates in contested races during primary election season, PACs do!

SHARED MESSAGING & RESOURCES

When there are multiple constitutional candidates with similar values, a PAC can endorse and advertise them TOGETHER.

This is very powerful for a group of candidates who are running for similar seats and/or represent similar issue positions (such as pro-life, traditional marriage, election security, education reform, etc.). For example, several individuals running for county commissioner seats and other roles in county government can share messaging and campaign strategies for a larger impact in both primary and general elections by forming a PAC together. The same is true for municipal government boards, state legislative seats, etc.

PASTORS & CHURCH LEADERS

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: DONORS & VOLUNTEERS

All pastors and church leaders were given the same divine commission the apostles received from Christ before he ascended to heaven represent Christ to ALL nations, in all parts of society.

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Pastors must preach the truth of total human depravity and the reality of personal and national destruction as a punishment for sin. And they must preach of the mercy and grace for man found in the gospel of Jesus Christ. Their lives should be a shining example of works-rich faith.

Matthew 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

James 2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

FAITH-BASED NON-PROFIT LEADERSHIP

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: DONORS & VOLUNTEERS

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Our communities desperately need individuals and organizations who boldly speak truth and fight to save and preserve human life from conception until death.

Pregnancy Resource Centers
Homeless Assistance
Prison Ministries
Foster Care
Addiction Hotlines
Christian Counseling
More

MEDIA INFLUENCERS, JOURNALISTS & EDUCATORS

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS: RESEARCHERS,
CONTENT DEVELOPERS

As goes the media, so goes the nation...

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Media influencers, investigative journalists and educators are the watchdogs of society – providing the populace with accurate and timely information and stories.

CRITICAL ASSISTANTS

FOR GATEKEEPERS

Gatekeepers are nothing without a trusted and selfless support team who invest time and treasure in their success.

Romans 12:3-8 For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.





Political campaigns need money to build name recognition – and lots of it. In fact, campaign costs usually outweigh the income received from holding the elected office!

It takes money to buy stamps, pay for a website, buy fliers, order pizza for volunteers...you get the picture. Every campaign needs to raise money and it's hard work...ever dollar or two helps from both you and everyone else you can convince to help out!

Organizations (political party committees, political action committees, non-profits and other ministries) – even those fully staffed with volunteers – need funding to operate and carry out their mission.

Christian and constitutional candidates and groups are going up against opposition funded by billionaire globalists and special interest groups who will often outspend them 10:1.

In-kind donations are an equally helpful way to give – event venues, catered food and beverages, equipment, printed or published materials, etc.



There are many simple yet powerful ways you can "be the hands and feet" for a campaign or organization...

- **Share:** Allow the use of your name as a public endorsement, as this has persuasive power to anyone in your circle of influence.
- Show: Display a yard sign, bumper sticker or social media avatar in support!
- **Tell:** Share information on social media, write a letter to the editor of the local newspaper or speak in support at an event.



Put in the sweat equity! Every campaign, political party, election protection team, political action committee, non-profit, church ministry and media organization needs a variety of talent and experience to be successful.

- Visionary (Chief of Staff, Executive Director, Campaign Strategist)
- Networking & Team Development
- Team Management & Training
- Legal & Parliamentary
- Finance & Accounting
- Writers & Editors (social media, email, press release, TV, radio, etc.)
- Marketing Specialists (web design, graphic design, videography, etc.)
- Information Technology & Digital Security
- Research Specialists (issues, candidates, officials, opposition, etc.)
- Event Planners & Volunteers
- Admin or secretarial tasks (receptionist, data entry, etc.)
- Canvassers (literature distribution and door-knocking)
- Phone Bank Volunteers
- Envelope Stuffers
- And so much more...

Will you be a GATEKEEPER?

Learn more about the various gatekeeping roles in our online training courses for precinct delegates, local candidates, election protection, political parties, PACs and more.

How about a CRITICAL ASSISTANT?

Contact a faithful gatekeeper (or two!) and introduce yourself. Let them know what your talents and availability are and ask them to plug you in!

