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Futhermore, in many of his appeals to Evangelicals, Trump's reasoning runs directly against Matthew 25:40. In that verse, Jesus teaches how the nations will be separated as the sheep from the goats, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."



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I've long argued that my fellow Evangelicals shouldn't wait for the perfect candidate before voting. Modest, imperfect gains are preferable to nothing. I voted for John McCain and Mitt Romney, even though neither were my first choice. But my pragmatism has bounds, and Trump is far outside the bounds of an acceptable presidential candidate.



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Furthermore, in many of his appeals to Evangelicals, Trump's reasoning sounds dangerously close to Satan's offer to Jesus in Luke 4:9: "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me." Trump isn't Satan. But the fact that Trump uses Satan-like tactics should concern Evangelicals.



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