

4 The EU is undemocratic

The EU makes increasing numbers of our laws – many of which are unwanted. But it has a complicated and unaccountable system of government. The European Commission is unelected and cannot be voted out of office. The recent Dutch referendum, supported by large numbers of Dutch Christians, voted to reject the EU's treaty with Ukraine. But the treaty has already been ratified by every other EU country. In our Parliamentary democracy we can vote out MPs and Governments if we don't approve of what they have done.

5 The EU is not compatible with our Christian Constitution

The EU's charter of fundamental rights makes no mention of God or the Bible. In the United Kingdom we have a Christian constitution. When the Queen was crowned in 1953 she was given a Bible with these words – 'Here is wisdom; this is the Royal Law, these are the lively oracles of God'. Leaving the EU would help us as a nation to return to the faith on which the British constitution is based.

**'Blessed is the nation
whose God is the Lord'**
Psalm 33:12



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Why Christians should vote to leave the European Union





On 23rd June this year we as Christians are faced with a momentous decision. Should we stay in or leave the EU? This leaflet is intended to show that the most faithful option for Christians is to vote to leave.

Many people think that being a member of the EU gives us 'safety in numbers'. But the Bible teaches us that the safest course for individuals and nations is to trust in God. 'Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; but we will remember the name of the Lord our God' Psalm 20:7.



Our first concern should be that our nation returns to God and his Word. But in a number of areas the EU is pursuing policies that are against the teaching of God's Word and our country's interests. If we remain in the EU it will damage our nation spiritually and materially.

Here are five reasons why we should leave

1 The EU stops us from controlling immigration

God sets nations' boundaries – 'He has made from one blood every nation of men ... and has determined ... the boundaries of their dwellings' Acts 17:26. Net migration to the UK in 2015 hit a record level of 330,000. Uncontrolled immigration puts an intolerable burden on schools, hospitals, jobs, housing and wages. In the EU we have no control of our borders. We can only control immigration if we leave.

2 The EU is bad for jobs and the economy

The economic management of the EU is dangerous and irresponsible. The Eurozone is desperately unhealthy. And the European Central Bank is trying to keep it alive by printing 80 billion Euros per month. We should be concerned that our economy is handled wisely. The EU economy is not.

We should also be able to make independent free trade agreements with other countries. The EU has low growth and high unemployment. We should look to make agreements with growing economies like China and India. That would secure better jobs for future generations.

3 The EU makes it easier for terrorists

The Muslim terrorist attacks in London in July 2007 and more recently in Paris and Brussels show that we face a global terrorist threat. If we do not regain control of our borders our country, and particularly our cities, will become less safe for us and our children. The latest EU deal with Turkey gives visa free access to the EU for Turkish passport holders and speeds up Turkish membership. There are 78 million Turks and their government is Islamist and repressive. This deal threatens our security. We should not be party to it. We can only withdraw if we leave.