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Man In The Street

Honesty A Necessity

The National election are coming up in November. Every candidate who has hopes of winning is in the process of formulating a platform.

This week the "Man in the Street" asked citizens what they felt was the chief responsibility of an elected official to his constituents.

Jessie Wilson answered, "to be honest with the public and not mislead them."

Doreen Knight stated, "to help the people, not just the people who elect them but all people."

Barbara Scales said, "their chief responsibility is to hold up their responsibilities. They should uphold their platform and keep the promises they made to get your vote."

Albert Brown commented, "I feel they should stick to their platform and be honest in what they say. They shouldn't get in office and then start a whole different ballgame."

Alton Kirby responded, "their chief responsibility is to look out for the people who voted them in. They should also solicit ideas from their supporters on what they can do to aid them."

Freda Daniels replied, "They should try and help the people who elected them by sponsoring and voting for legislation that will help them."

Karen Hardy answered, "they should help to make things better for their constituents. They shouldn't vote along party lines or because they agree with a certain bill. They should always have the best interest of the people who voted for them at heart."

Travis Long stated, "I think

their only responsibility is to be honest and do what they feel is right and best for the country."

Earl Greenwood commented, "I feel their chief responsibility is to keep the promises they have made. When I vote for someone I vote for them because I feel they represent my best interest and have promised to help me. If they keep their promises, they have fulfilled their responsibility to me."

Janet Kilgore responded, "I feel their main responsibility is to be honest. After Watergate I think if a politician is honest he has the peoples' best interest at heart. Also if he is honest he won't make promises he can't keep to get elected."

From these answers it seems that most people feel that an elected official's chief responsibilities are to be honest, do what is in the best interest of his constituents, stick to his platform, and keep the promises he makes to get elected.

Now, if someone can only convince the politicians that these are his responsibilities we can surely have better, more effective government.

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