“Religion and Politics: What should one have to do with the other?”

Collin Walke, State House Representative and OSU Alum

We've been taught that religion and politics are two topics that shouldn't be discussed in polite company. But, why? What is it about these two concepts that seemingly prevents calm and rational discourse? By not investigating the role of politics in religion and vice versa, and by not learning how to discuss these topics artfully, we are literally shutting our eyes to potential solutions for conflict. In this lecture, Rep. Walke will talk about both the philosophical and practical implications of religion in politics and politics in religion.

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Rep. Collin Walke was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives in 2016 and is the former Vice-Chair of the Native American Caucus, Co-Founder of the Freshman Bipartisan Caucus, and co-host of the podcast "Inside the Capitol" with Republican Majority Leader Rep. Josh West. Rep. Walke is also an attorney, mediator, and mindfulness coach. He graduated from Oklahoma State University with a B.A. in Philosophy and recently published, "Right Speech: A Buddhist Politician's Guide to Changing Your Life and the World," in which he examines the Buddhist concept of right speech in relation to today's ever-connected world.

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