Pick politics or religion - not both

If nothing else happens this election year, one thing will always be known — that there is a principle in our system that separates church and state. Has there ever been more public display of hatred and bigotry than that shown recently by men of the cloth? Hypocrites tell us the Bible says to love, and then tell us to hate, all in one Sunday morning.

These men are not examples of the religion they speak of, but politicians with a following of morons who won't speak up to stop the hatred. Maybe the tax-exempt status of their churches should be revoked. If they want to be politicians, treat them like politicians.

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Blame corporate greed, not workers

Regarding a recent article that reporters in Wisconsin earn less than the average wage nationwide, it was noted by a Department of Workforce Development official that Wisconsin is working to raise wages by training a highly skilled workforce.

How will this help most displaced workers in the 21st century Wal-Mart economy? Based on this logic, it appears the DWD's position is that Wisconsin is losing higher paying jobs because workers have not been skilled.

Why is the blame for lower wages placed on the shoulders of workers with no mention of corporate policies that promote higher profits for executives and shareholders, often at the expense of front-line employees?

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