

Third Way (noun)

1. A course of principle and judgment between two errors or extremes; a path of moral and civil balance that seeks justice without partiality, liberty without license, and government under divine order.
2. In Christian and constitutional thought, that system of reasoning which unites biblical truth and the original intent of the Constitution—rejecting both lawless discrimination and enforced favoritism, and affirming the equal dignity of all persons as created in the image of God.
3. Figuratively, a reconciliation of righteousness and mercy in public affairs; the rule of equity that honors God while preserving freedom among men.

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