

Leftist, Liberal, Pro-abortion Media

let their negative feelings and passions come through in most every story they do about pro-lifers and conservative Christians.

Having already mentioned the *anti-abortion* label, let's move on to terms like "*alleged aborted fetuses*". Now come on folks. Either the babies we are showing are aborted dead babies or they are not. I say they are. The television media infers every report that they are not by using the slick choice of words, "*alleged aborted fetuses*". I don't like this blatantly biased approach, so, I have a solution to this problem.

Take the television station crews and cameras into any abortion mill in the country. Shoot close-ups of the *products of conception, fetal tissue, or whatever other name you want to call it, except a baby, of course*. Make sure you get pictures of eight to twelve week abortions, and even a few in the sixteen to twenty-four week period. Remember, abortions are legal up to the time of delivery. **Show the evidence on your nightly news and discover if the American people are not horrified at what they see.** Prove to your audience that I am lying!

Believe me, television stations, networks included, would never take me up on this challenge. If they did, they would have to admit that I was telling the truth and that the babies in our ads were **actual babies** killed during an abortion. Rather than trying to disprove my pro-life ads, television stations consistently worked to discredit these ads. Night after night television anchors used the term "*alleged aborted fetuses*".

Perhaps my logic makes too much sense for them, but, **if I am lying about the pictures, isn't that a scandal that could exonerate the pro-choicers and wipe out the pro-life movement?** Sure it would be. So why aren't they out there investigating? Because they are biased in favor of abortion rights! They can't risk proving that the pro-lifers are right! They are not willing to prove that babies are being murdered every day in this country!

In addition to the obviously biased language that was used against our campaign almost every day, the television media made a desperate attempt to focus the controversy of our ads off the babies who were being killed and onto the pre-school children at home, who *might be* terrorized by seeing our ads. The number one question asked by television reporters from day one was, "**Mr. Bailey, don't you worry about terrorizing children who might see your ads on TV?**"

To their utter frustration, I always answered, "*Let's first be worried about the babies in my ads who have been killed, legally killed. If young children see the ads, and all five of my own kids have, perhaps they will realize that abortion is so very wrong. Just maybe these kids can keep their generation from murdering twenty-eight million more babies in their lifetime.*"

The **hypocrisy** of the television media focusing attention on our "*terrorizing*" children is obvious and laughable. For starters, look carefully at the nightly newscasts.

We are now seeing live beatings and killings nearly every night on television. Graphic video of both wars and famine is beamed into our living rooms daily. Dead bodies, naked bodies, beaten bodies, and starving bodies are paraded before the American public day after day.

I am not suggesting that all of this imagery is good or necessary. I am simply saying that it happens on a regular basis. I am not basing my reasoning for airing our aborted baby commercials on the slack media morality, or on their leftist news coverage. **I am simply pointing out the double standard of their argument.**

In fact, our showing aborted babies is quite different from the horrors that they usually show. The dead and starving bodies that newscasts often show are the result of **illegal activity**. Children starve in many foreign countries as a direct result of **illegal** corruption in their respective governments. Children are murdered by **illegal** criminal acts of strangers or relatives. Children are murdered through war because of the **illegal** criminal acts of one warring faction against another. In all cases, the causes of the horrors experienced by the children who have been killed or starved can be reversed in order to save future children from the same fate! Wars can stop. Criminals can be put in jail. Governments can be changed. In other words, there is something that can be done.

The children shown in our ads have died as a result of **legal activity!** **They are dead simply because the government and a callous people have decided that it is permissible for them to die.** *"Their deaths are for the good of all, so this activity must be all right"*, they say. **Garbage!** Doesn't the media realize the point I am making here? They rationalize showing reality when it is *illegal*, but when it is *legal* activity like abortion, they ignore showing the tragic consequences! Wake up, America!

In light of the argument I just gave, consider this scenario. It is 1942 and a political candidate rises up in Nazi Germany to oppose Hitler. The candidate's **main issue** is to stop the horrifying destruction of the Jews. Obviously, this would be a worthy goal and platform. In his attempt to unseat Hitler, the opposing candidate secretly shoots film footage of the death camps. The film is edited and then shown in every theater in Germany, where it causes a national uproar. The film footage is also smuggled to the United States where it is shown in theaters across our great country.

The people in Germany who see the footage become outraged that someone would have the audacity to show such horrifying pictures in their theaters. Being labeled a one-issue candidate and an extremist, the people reject the candidate and hang him. In America, on the other hand, the candidate is seen as a hero, and a monument is erected in his honor.

Does this sound outrageous? I agree. But that is exactly the point the media is not seeing in the abortion issue. To pro-lifers, the issue of murdering an entire generation of Americans is an all-important issue. If the value of human life is not respected, what other governmental programs and philosophies really matter?

Who would of cared about Hitler's environmental protection concerns while he was killing millions of Jews? No one would of cared! No one would call Hitler's opponent, who was trying to save the Jews, a one-issue candidate. **But that is what the media does to strong pro-life candidates every day.** This is wrong! This treatment is biased and wrong!

Admittedly, when you do what we did in the '92 Bailey for Life for Congress Congressional race, it is difficult to shed the one-issue stigma. But still the media knew the facts. They knew we raised over \$175,000 dollars, distributed over 700,000 pieces of literature articulating my positions on numerous issues, and developed a strong grass roots organization in all twenty-one counties. But even though they knew the facts, many of them persisted on showing blatant bias against our campaign by always referring to me as a *one-issue* candidate.

If they had a respect for the issue of life, then perhaps the label wouldn't be so damaging, but the media has yet to respect the pro-life position. I suppose this is to be understood. **If they truly understood the issue, they wouldn't be so biased and pro-abortion.**

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WHERE ARE THE REPUBLICANS?

During the course of the '92 political year, we were asked numerous times, by the press and others, what kind of support we were getting from the Republican Party. Our campaign wasn't your average Republican campaign, so they had good reasons for asking the question. Before I answer the question, though, I want to establish the fact that I believe that all Christian candidates should run on a major party ticket, and that party should be **Republican**.

In Indiana, the Republican Party is strong in most areas, except in the southern third of the state. Unfortunately, in recent years, Republicans have lost the State House, State Senate, and the Governorship. To add insult to injury, Indiana native Dan Quayle lost the Vice Presidency of the United States. Though we have two good Republican U.S. Senators and three Republican U.S. House members, the party is in dire need for a major overhaul.

The reader needs to understand that prior to our filing for office, I had **never** been involved officially with the Republican Party. Ninth district party regulars never heard of Michael Bailey until they received information in the mail during the primary. When they received that information, I don't think they were all that excited.

The Republican leadership in the district gave me no chance of winning the primary. They had endorsed my opponent, Charlie Loos, and many of them were openly *ticked off* with my late entry into the race. Though I sought to make contact with most county chairmen, receptions were cool at best.

One particular county chairman, Brad Seger of Dubois County, was so disturbed with my campaign plans that he told me openly that he was going to vote for Lee Hamilton if I won the primary. I am not sure whether he did this or not.

Once we had officially entered the race, Lori and I began to attend every scheduled Republican function we could get to. Though the people, in general, were very nice, I never quite figured out what the glue was that held them together.

The Republican speakers, at least the ones we heard at the various dinners, all gave the same speeches. The general theme went as follows: *"Democrats are bad and can't balance the budget...Republicans are good and they can balance the budget."* "With vision this limited, it's no wonder the Republican's are not attracting throngs of young people," I thought to myself. These people need broader vision.

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At each event, I was given equal time (three to five minutes) with Charlie Loos. Charlie spent his five minutes beating up on Lee Hamilton. I usually spent my time talking about moral issues and Christian values.

What I said always touched a nerve with some Christian Republicans present. More often than not, two or three people would come up to me at the end of these events and hand me a check for our campaign. *"God bless you, young man,"* they would say while patting me on the shoulder. *"America needs brave Christian men to stand up for biblical values!"*

The open, non-compromising Christian stands I was making at the Republican dinners were new. No one actually said this. You can tell what people are thinking by reading their faces. Though the vast majority of people were polite, Lori and I never quite succeeded in winning over the Republican leadership to the extent that they were willing to raise money or campaign for us.

I had joined the Republican Party ticket out of convenience, not out of personal ambition to be a party leader. Party regulars treated me with respect out of convenience, not out of loyalty to me or to my positions, though my positions are consistent with the national Republican platform!

Once the primary campaign exploded into the living rooms of both the ninth district and the nation, party leaders were faced with the prospects of my winning the election. Though no county chairmen openly endorsed me, most realized that we had tremendous support with Republican voters. Perhaps out of their loyalty to Charlie Loos, many of the chairmen still didn't give us a *snowball's chance in hell* of actually pulling off a primary victory. At least that's what they told the press.

"After our exciting primary victory," I often said, *"the Republican leadership went into a coma!"* They surely did not know what to do with me, and I definitely had no idea what to do with them. With 60% of the Republicans casting their vote for my kind of leadership and message, there wasn't anything, quite frankly, that party leadership could do. There were, however, numerous party regulars who either quit or threatened to quit if the county chairmen endorsed our controversial campaign.

It wasn't long after our victory that Lori and I drove to Indianapolis to meet with Rex Early, the State Chairman of the Republican Party. Rex was very supportive, but told us flatly that we could expect no money from the Indiana State Party. Other than a favorable press release, that stated that I could possibly beat Lee Hamilton, Rex never gave us any other help from that day forward. Perhaps he couldn't help, anyway.

INDIANA REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE

(press release July 20, 1992)

EARLY SAYS BAILEY IS THE KIND OF GUY WHO CAN BEAT LEE HAMILTON

INDIANAPOLIS--Indiana GOP Chairman Rex Early today offered this assessment of Ninth Congressional District GOP candidate Michael Bailey's chances of defeating incumbent Rep. Lee Hamilton this fall:

"Mike Bailey is just the kind of candidate who can beat Lee Hamilton," said Early.

"Bailey had a surprising and explosive primary victory which will only be outdone by his victory over Lee Hamilton in the fall.

Mike Bailey is an articulate straight-shooter who doesn't leave people guessing about how he'd vote on the issues. At a time when most people simply don't trust their elected officials, Bailey's candid approach will have broad appeal with Ninth District voters.

Bailey's campaign tactics have been controversial, but his candor and desire for congressional reform are to be respected. I am certain that his election results will raise more than a few eyebrows in the fall."

**REX EARLY
INDIANA GOP CHAIRMAN**

Our campaign strategy, unfortunately, never included the help of the Republican Party. County chairmen for the Bailey for Life for Congress team came from the churches and county pro-life organizations. Little effort was made on our part to either exclude or include local Republicans.

There is no doubt in my mind that we should have done a better job building bridges with these local county Republican organizations. It was not that we had an openly hostile relationship. I think the problems had more to do with style and a general lack of understanding. They weren't completely comfortable with me, and I was unfamiliar with them.

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During the entire nine months of the campaign, only one out of twenty-one Republican County Chairman ever called us on the phone to ask what he could do. Donald Dickey, of Ripley County, is one of a kind. He actually called on numerous occasions to encourage us to *press on*. "Thank you, Mr. Dickey!" In addition to the calls from Mr. Dickey, a number of county leaders did come to some of our rallies. As a result of their attendance at our Bailey for Life for Congress rallies, **many local Republicans were won over and many contributed generously to our campaign.**

It was helpful to our campaign to receive a check, in mid summer, from the *National Republican Congressional Committee* for one thousand dollars. At least some money was taken in as a result of party affiliation.

The endorsement benefits didn't last very long, though. It was about this same time that we released our fall campaign ads to the television media. The "*Hitler*" commercial was patently offensive to a few fringe Jewish organizations, and they griped to Rex Early. Mr. Early wrote me a letter asking me to pull the ad. I refused, and the media had a field day.

INDIANA REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE

August 7, 1992

*Mr. Michael E. Bailey
Candidate for Congress - 9th District*

Dear Mike:

I received the tape of your new ads, and I do have a concern.

Even though I know your intent was not to offend the Jewish Community, I have real concerns that comparing the holocaust to abortion will do exactly that.

As you know, our President and Vice President have articulated their pro-life position. As per our conversation, I am supportive of pro-life. However, I am concerned that equating the holocaust and abortion might actually be counter-productive to the pro-life philosophy. If you want to focus on abortion, fine, but by introducing the holocaust, I feel you are confusing the issue.

Mike, for these reasons, I feel your ad will not advance the pro-life cause and would urge you to reconsider using this particular ad.

*Rexford C. Early, Chairman
INDIANA STATE REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE*

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The lack of official support and effort from the party never really bothered me. I knew many in the party were faithful to us. We had won the primary with 60% of the vote. Obviously, we were popular with some people. A good example of this support came from a Dubois County event.

As I stated earlier, Brad Seger, the Republican Chairman for Dubois County, was personally opposed to our campaign. His opposition to me did not hinder my efforts to try to see local party people. I found out that the Dubois County Republicans were hosting a fund raiser for the candidate for Governor. I called Mr. Seger and asked permission to attend this particular event. Brad graciously gave me permission to attend but *flatly refused to give me any opportunity to address the crowd, even for one minute.*

I arrived at the fund raiser early and proceeded to walk around and introduce myself to the two hundred or so Republicans who were in attendance. People were overwhelmingly supportive, and no less than fifteen requested my autograph.

Many people asked me if I would be speaking that night. When I replied *no*, they asked why. I invited them to complain to Brad, and many apparently did so because permission was reluctantly granted for me to speak for ten minutes. Not only was I able to speak, but the crowd was quite enthusiastic and receptive to my message. Proof of this support came in the form of numerous checks given to me that night totalling nearly \$1,000. Not one penny of this money was solicited.

All in all, our campaign staff never regretted running on the Republican ticket. I have strong Republican convictions and, overall, my positions line up quite nicely with the national platform. I also believe that *Christian candidates need to run to win.* It is hard enough winning on a major party ticket, but winning as an independent is close to impossible.

The Republican Party needs the vision that Christian candidates can bring to it. This vision must be far broader than monetary conservatism. The vision must include these two goals:

(1) The Republican Party must convince the American people to return to our Christian heritage. Moral absolutes, as defined in the Bible, must be applied in American law. The Party must convince the people of this country that our democracy cannot survive without morality and religion, as stated by Abraham Lincoln, the founder of the Republican Party. The fall of America morally will result in the fall of America economically.

(2) The Republican Party must be the party to reject the wave of socialism that has gripped this great nation. The national debt and annual deficit spending are immoral and unacceptable. Within the next few years (1993-1994) new Republican

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leadership must convince the American people that we are headed for a total financial and economic meltdown unless we reject the Karl Marx theology that is strangling our land.

Though strong moral and economic stands may be unpopular for now, there will come a day, I believe, when the people of this free nation will rise up in rebellion against the incredibly high taxes and regulation that have crippled America.

It is my hope and prayer that Christians will save the country from the coming calamity before it strikes. If no new leadership is offered, the country will surely fall. It will be impossible for us to steer clear of a national catastrophe under the current insane and inept Congressional monetary policies.

Christian candidates must begin entering the Republican Party now. Local, state, and federal offices must be sought by thousands of committed Christians. Our goal is not to gain power, our goal is to convince our countrymen of the truth and wisdom of God's Word.

Whether we win or lose is of little consequence. The Christian's commission in the New Testament is to be **an ambassador** for God. God can save the hearts and souls of men. God can save the Republican Party. God can save America!

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BIBLICAL POSITIONS ON THE ISSUES

I believe that the Bible, written under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, contains absolute truth applicable to all societies, under all conditions, at any time in history, both past, present, and future.

Adherence to the principles of the Bible and worship of the *One* true God, as known through the Father, Son (Jesus), and Holy Spirit, will always result in the favor of God. Rejection of the *One* true God and rejection of the laws and commandments clearly written in the Holy Scriptures will always result in the suffering of individuals on this earth and, ultimately, in Hell.

There is little doubt that America is facing a time of trouble right now. **The problems we face could all be solved if America would turn to God and to biblical absolutes.** To some, that may sound overly simplistic. To all true believers, it makes simple common sense.

During the course of the campaign, by God's grace, I was able to introduce biblical truth and absolutes into the political process. Like our controversial ads, such action could be construed as political suicide. *"How could we dare talk about truth and error and biblical absolutes during a political campaign?"* some complained. Such criticism was not troublesome to me.

It was not unusual to see me quoting from the Scriptures in speech after speech. I didn't quote the Bible to impress the religious right. I did it to impress truth on the hearts of those who would be listening. This happened at rallies, in television interviews, and, even more often, on radio talk shows. What was exciting is that seeds of the truth were being planted in the hearts of listeners.

Listeners who normally would never darken the door to a church were hearing biblical truth from a Christian political candidate. What a glorious opportunity this was to serve the Lord! **I had become a POLITICAL EVANGELIST!!!**

It would be impossible for me, in this small book, to list every principle in the Bible that contains application to America and to the resolution of her problems. Therefore, I will choose numerous contemporary issues, positions, and problems and succinctly include the biblical remedy.

abortion

Abortion at any stage of pregnancy is the killing of a child and should be illegal in America...in cases where there is imminent physical danger to the mother, the doctor should try to save both the mother and child.

"There are six things which the Lord hates, Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him: Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, And hands that shed innocent blood... (Proverbs 6:16)

"For Thou didst form my inward parts; Thou didst weave me in my mother's womb. I will give thanks to Thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Thy works, And my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from Thee, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth. Thine eyes have seen my unformed substance; And in Thy book they were all written, The days that were ordained for me, When as yet there was not one of them. (Psalm 139:13-16)

God is not blind that He cannot see the senseless killing of the unborn in America. Christians must plead with our countrymen to repent from this grave evil. To allow the horror to continue will surely invite God's wrath upon our land.

education

The wisest education a nation can pass on to its peoples is biblical wisdom. You can train people to build skyscrapers, to design beautiful houses and cars, to compete in international markets, and to aspire to explore the planets, but if a nation fails to pass on to its children the meaning and purpose of life, the fear of Almighty God, and the timeless biblical truths for personal living, *that nation will most certainly fail.*

Godless homes, broken marriages, physical and sexual abuse, drugs, alcohol, and all other sorts of unhappiness will result from the rejection of biblical absolutes in education. For this reason, America needs to adopt a **free enterprise system of education** that will allow for the teaching of **biblical absolutes**.

Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one! And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And

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these words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up...

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge...

Proverbs 1:7

Without a doubt, **parents should be the only ones to decide where their children attend school.** Perhaps the only rational public program that would allow for public funded schools would be the *tuition voucher* approach. Parents choose the school where their children are to attend, and the government money follows **without strings or conditions.**

Such a **free enterprise** approach would bring free market pressures on schools to compete or go out of business. Because religious based schools that teach morals and biblical absolutes would produce the finest students, America's parents would be more inclined to send their kids to such institutions. Parents who choose to home school their children would have this **biblical right** protected. Lori and I home school our children.

deficit spending

The Lord will open for you His good storehouse, the heavens, to give rain to your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hand; and you shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow...

Deuteronomy 28:12

No nation can prosper without the favor and blessing of the Lord, including America. Our economic strength is completely dependent on Him. That is the most important reason America should heed biblical advice on economic issues and reject the current **insanity** of the day.

Proverbs 22:7 clearly teaches us that *"the rich rules over the poor, and the borrower becomes the lender's slave"*. Not only is this true for individuals, but for nations as well.

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America , or rather Congress, has enslaved its citizens to a national debt that will destroy our great country. Such blatant disregard for biblical principle is costing us an incredible price!!!

In 1992, the interest on the national debt surpassed military spending! That figure, close to 300 billion dollars, is our tax money going to buy absolutely nothing. We taxpayers ought to be irate, but we're not.

Like alcoholics reaching for another drink, a drink that will ultimately eat the liver and destroy the entire body, Americans choose to send most of their socialistic, big-spending legislators back to Congress year after year. Unless Congress immediately stops spending more than it brings in (deficit spending) and makes efforts to pay off the huge four trillion dollar national debt, there will be an economic catastrophe that may make the *Great Depression* look like a Sunday afternoon picnic in comparison.

taxes

It has become a standing sadistic joke in America to figure out how many months and days we have to work each year just to pay our taxes. I forget what month we actually start working for ourselves, but it may be sometime in early May. **For what sane reason are we doing this to ourselves?** It's time we realized that there is something we can do about the problem.

Government has skyrocketed out of control because we are giving it far too much power.

Both Republicans and Democrats have accepted the governing concepts of Karl Marx (socialism) and have rejected the simplicity of the Constitution. Though the Bible clearly teaches Christians to pay their taxes and to submit to governing authorities, we should be attempting to convince our countrymen of the good that would result in following biblical principles.

A clear teaching from the Bible is that government is selfish, greedy, and out for its own interests. Though rarely taught from the pulpit, the principle of small government with limited powers is not only biblical, but was practiced by our founding fathers. Our forefathers went to great pains to create a government with limited power. There were reasons for such action. I believe they were biblical reasons.

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As recorded in the Bible, Israel rejected God and His rulership over them through the Judges. They wanted a king. God gave them this warning about what a **king** would do to them. The same advice can be heeded about what a **powerful central government** could do to a nation.

And he said, This will be the procedure of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and place them for himself in his chariots and among his horsemen and they will run before his chariots.

And he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and of fifties, and some to do his plowing and to reap his harvest and to make his weapons of war and equipment for his chariots.

He will also take your daughters for perfumers and cooks and bakers. And he will take the best of your fields and your vineyards and your olive groves, and give them to his servants. He will also take your male servants and your female servants and your best young men and your donkeys, and use them for his work.

He will take a tenth of your flocks, and you yourselves will become his servants. Then you will cry out in that day because of your king whom you have chosen for yourselves, but the Lord will not answer you in that day.

I Samuel 8:11-18

The passage in *I Samuel* is a direct message from God. Knowing that kings are sinful men, God clearly warned the Israelites of the **danger of giving a king ultimate power** over the people. Today we have democratic governments, chosen by the people, that promise service and prosperity to their loyal subjects. It will never happen!

Governments don't look out for the people; they oppress the people. They take the very best people, land, and industry and use it for their own selfish, unproductive purposes. The people never win by instituting a powerful government. They always lose.

People should be working for themselves and their own prosperity, but, under the guise of social equality and justice for all, oppressive governments steal all the motivation and all of the ability for the people to succeed. **Taxes oppress the people.** Overbearing regulations oppress the people. A lack of justice oppresses the people.

When people become too oppressed, they often rebel against the very governments they put in power. Solomon's son, Rehoboam, had one chance to lift the burden of government from the people of Israel. He rejected the following advice given to him by the elders of Israel:

"If you will be a servant to this people today, will serve them, grant them their petition (which was a request by the people for the government to lower requirements and

taxes), *and speak good words to them, then they will be your servants forever" (I Kings 12:7)*

Rehoboam didn't listen. The people rebelled.

Because America's founding fathers were so fearful of a strong, oppressive central government, they went to great lengths to ensure that its powers were severely limited. Yet today, the American government is the largest employer in the world and is growing larger every day. **Because of the ineptness of our leaders, debt and taxes have enslaved the American people to a system they thought would bring freedom and prosperity.**

Something has to be done peaceably and legally before it's too late! A financial collapse, due to the national debt, could seriously endanger our free constitutional form of government.

Christians must invade the political system with timeless biblical truth. Wisdom dictates that we reject big, oppressive, federal government powers which result in the enslavement of a people to debt and taxes. We need to return to a more accurate government balance, a system founded on the Constitution, not on Karl Marx. I ask the question, once again, *"If not us, who? If not now, when?"*

social programs

"How can it be that government social programs are not biblical? Is it not the Christian thing to do to help the poor?" I get these questions put to me on a regular basis. Yes, I believe, it is the Christian thing **for people** to help the poor, **not the government.**

An overwhelming theme throughout the entire Bible is the admonition for Christians to help the poor and the needy.

And looking at him, Jesus felt a love for him, and said to him, "One thing you lack: go and sell all you possess, and give to the poor, and you shall have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me."
Mark 10:21

Hear this, you who trample the needy, to do away with the humble of the Lord.....
Amos 8:4

There is a kind of man whose teeth are like swords, And his jaw teeth like knives, To devour the afflicted from the earth, And the needy from among men.
Proverbs 30:14

If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and be filled," and yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that? James 2:15-16

Because of my strong conviction that socialism is a godless evil, I am often wrongly accused of hating the poor. Anyone who thinks that I want to oppress the poor and steal help from the needy simply doesn't know the facts. **In my own personal life, we have housed numerous homeless people.** Over the years I have picked up no less than fifty hitchhikers. Some of these people Lori and I brought home to stay. I believe that if we don't help those people that God has brought into our lives, we are sinning.

For this reason, Lori and I have sought to be obedient to God by reaching out to those in need. Without exception, God has blessed our home each and every time we have taken someone in. Though the last *house guest* we had stole my car twice, the spiritual lessons gleaned from this experience were useful in helping to mold our family into the giving family that we need to become.

Most people say, "*Bailey, get real. You don't really believe that people or the Church will actually help the poor and institute programs to help the needy, do you?*" Yes, I do! For 155 years, America survived on charitable help from the private sector. In fact, government social programs were often deemed illegal. It was illegal to take money from citizens (through taxes) and give it to other citizens (through federal social programs).

Both Democrats and Republicans alike have come to believe that the federal government is supposed to have the power to administer programs to bring about social and economic equality. **There is no biblical basis for government taking over the responsibility given to individuals and to the Church.**

If people need help, Christians should help them. Feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, take in the unwanted child, and lend to others (without interest) when people need financial assistance, but don't give this responsibility to the American government and don't shelter and feed those who will not work.

*...nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with labor and hardship we kept working night and day so that we might not be a burden to any of you; not because we do not have the right to this, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you, that you might follow our example. For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: ***if anyone will not work, neither let him eat.****

II Thessalonians 3:8-10

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...and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life and attend to your own business and work with your hands, just as we commanded you; so that you may behave properly toward outsiders and not be in any need.

I Thessalonians 4:11-12

*For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: **if anyone will not work, neither let him eat.** For we hear that some among you are leading an undisciplined life, doing no work at all, but acting like busybodies. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to work in quiet fashion and eat their own bread. But as for you, brethren, do not grow weary of doing good. And if anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of that man and do not associate with him, so that he may be put to shame. And yet do not regard him as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.*

II Thessalonians 3:10-15

Volumes have been written on the chaos and abuses involved in American government social programs. But, in spite of the horror stories, we still want to believe that the government can solve the problems. It can't and never will.

People must become responsible for themselves. Help must first come from family members, then relatives, then the Church, and then the community. Because we have chosen a route clearly in violation of the scriptural teachings, we now have created a social nightmare. **That nightmare will ultimately result in America going bankrupt.**

Both the press and my liberal Democrat opponent attacked me fiercely for my opposition to government sponsored social welfare. It would have been more **politically correct** not to bring up the subject at all. But Christian politicians, like myself, must expose the inherent corruptness in big government social programs. We must lead the American people back to Judeo-Christian values. These values teach us that people, not governments, are responsible for taking care of their own.

But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to practice piety in regard to their own family, and to make some return to their parents; for this is acceptable in the sight of God...But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever...

I Timothy 5:4 & 8

I must repeat this warning again. Americans must reject social welfare of all types on the biblical basis that it gives too much power and control to the government. **We end up being slaves to a system and to the very people we elected. What irony!**

In the spirit of charity (helping others achieve social equality), we have made ourselves slaves to the government. The solution is simple. Stop government handouts. Stop welfare. Stop government entitlement programs. If Christians are not successful in leading the rest of the country away from socialism, an economic and moral collapse can be expected! Wake up, America!

(I highly recommend reading: **The Coming Economic Earthquake:** Larry Burkett
Why America Doesn't Work: Chuck Colson)

foreign aid

Nowhere does the Constitution empower the federal government to give away American tax money to foreign nations. The Bible calls such money a **tribute**. Webster defines tribute as: "*money or other valuables paid by one state or ruler to another as an acknowledgment of submission or as the price of peace and protection.*"

In other words, our government is giving away our money so these other countries will not cause us trouble! O sure, you hear that such aid is necessary to keep the world stable and to make investments in future trading partners. But we are really paying off other nations to keep peace. **Who gave our government this right?**

The Bible does not speak highly of the paying of *tribute*. Israel had to pay other nations *tribute only when it was in bondage to them*. Every time the kings of Israel paid this money, they taxed the people to pay it. Sound familiar? When the American government pays *tribute*, they don't pay it, **WE DO!!!**

*Jehoahaz was twenty and three years old when he began to reign...And he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord, according to all that his fathers had done. And Pharaoh-nechoh put him in bands at Riblah in the land of Hamath, that he might not reign in Jerusalem: and put the land to a **tribute** of an hundred talents of silver and a talent of gold...and Jehoiakim gave the silver and the gold to Pharaoh; but **he taxed** the land to give the money according to the commandment of Pharaoh: he extracted the silver and the gold of the people of the land, of **every one according to his taxation**, to give it unto Pharaoh-nechoh...*
II Kings 23:31-35 KJV

Putting it bluntly, America is sacrificing her sovereignty and burdening taxpayers by paying tribute to other nations through *foreign aid*. By our actions, our

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government leaders are admitting our servant status to other nations and further enslaving us all to incredible debt. It is time for this insanity to stop!

gun control

Though I cannot find verses in the Bible that directly address the issue of guns (they hadn't been invented yet), I will make an attempt to defend the right of every American to bear arms. For starters, the second amendment to the Constitution is rather clear on this point:

Right to bear arms: *A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.*

By emphasizing and protecting the right to bear arms, the American people are awarded special freedoms not enjoyed by much of the world. They can then protect themselves from criminals. They will be able to defend themselves from a future oppressive government, including our own American government! They will be able to defend the free state. They will be able to defend their families from all sources of oppression from within and from outside the state.

judicial system

*Thou hast a strong arm; Thy hand is mighty, Thy right hand is exalted.
Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Thy throne; Lovingkindness and truth go
before Thee...*
Psalm 89:13-14

*Evil men do not understand justice, But those who seek the Lord understand all
things...*
Proverbs 28:5

*They (in context: people with gods other than the Lord God Almighty) do not
know, nor do they understand, for He has smeared over their eyes so that they cannot see
and their hearts so that they cannot comprehend...Isaiah 44:18*

It may sound presumptuous to say, but only Christians who interpret the Bible literally can truly understand justice and truth. The Bible is the sole source of authority. And God is the author of truth. Jesus Christ said Himself: *I am the way, the*

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truth, and the life... (John 14:6) This is another reason why Christians should invade the legal system in America!

Murderers get off after serving just a few years in prison. Children are suing their parents. Everyone is suing everyone else. Violent criminals cannot be prosecuted because of ridiculous technicalities. The American people are tired of this **lack of justice** in our land.

Judicial standards cannot be upheld because our legal system has become one of ever-changing and constantly evolving laws. Situational ethics have replaced absolute truth, therefore, all law is relative. God help this nation!

Because of the lack of biblical soundness in our current system, the entire judiciary needs a complete overhaul. The concept of an eye for an eye, rooted in thousands of years of Judeo-Christian heritage is needed once again. Victims must be compensated by the offenders, and convicted murderers must be executed by the state.

Taxpayers should not be saddled with the staggering costs of operating the prison systems. Instead, we need to take meaningful work into the prisons because working prisoners are able to make restitution to victims, pay part of the cost of their own confinement, and help support their families.

American law needs to accept, once again, biblical law as its absolute standard of justice. Unless this is done at every level of the judiciary and in other branches of government, our republic probably cannot be saved.

jobs

Most contemporary politicians are elected because of their claims that they can bring money, federal projects, and jobs back to their respective districts. **Because most people vote their pocketbook, these officials manage to keep their jobs for life. Unfortunately, not many of their constituents manage to keep their jobs for life!**

My first question is, "*Who gave the government the responsibility to create jobs?*" My second question is, "*If this is their responsibility, could they really pull it off anyway?*" Answer #1 **No one did.** Answer #2 **Government hinders job growth, it never stimulates real growth.**

Government requires taxes to run. It is taxes that steal from the working people. It is taxes that cause American businesses to charge more for their products. It is taxes that cause American products to cost more. It is taxes that cause American businesses to

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fail and cause companies to relocate to less-controlled third world nations. It is taxes that cause both the loss of jobs and the loss of higher paying jobs.

Finding a job of sufficient pay is dependent upon the favor of God and the hard work of the individual. As stated earlier, *if you don't work, neither should you eat*. If there are no jobs available, you can make one.

Every able-bodied person in America can start a business simply by being available to work. The government should not be responsible for providing jobs (that's socialism). In fact, when you give the government this responsibility, it requires them to tax the people more, thereby enslaving the people even more to an oppressive government. The following are three important biblical principles about work and jobs:

(1) all work is to be done in service to God: *Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men; knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve.*
(Colossians 3:22-23)

(2) all fathers are to provide for their families: *But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith, and is worse than an unbeliever.*
(I Timothy 5:8)

(3) all workers are to be content with God's provision: *Not that I speak from want; for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am.*
(Philippians 4:11)

But godliness is actually a means of great gain, when accompanied by contentment. For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. And if we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.
(I Timothy 6:6-8)

The American people have become selfish, lazy, and privileged. They feel they have a right to a high-paying job and a certain standard of living. Wrong! If a person wants these things, first they have to understand who provides prosperity. Not the government, but the Lord.

The Lord's commandments demand hard work and contentment. He demands that we accept responsibility and practice faith. By demanding that the government supply something beyond its scope (jobs), the American people simply continue the process of enslaving themselves even further to an already oppressive government.

moral absolutes...homosexuality

There was a time in America when divorcing your wife was wrong. There was a time when living with someone other than your legal wife was wrong. There was a time when premarital sexual relations were wrong. There was a time when homosexuality was wrong. Such activity was called **SIN**. But times have changed.

Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, that their bodies might be dishonored among them. For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie...

For this reason God gave them over to degrading passions; for their women exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the men abandoned the natural function of the woman and burned in their desire toward one another,

men with men committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of their error...and, although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them.

Romans 1:24-32

As true with all the commandments of God, adherence to His truth will result in blessing. Rejection of God's truth will result in calamity and unhappiness. The Lord has not arbitrarily produced laws. **Every principle contained in the Bible is mentioned for a specific reason. Such laws and commandments are for our own good.**

The rejection of biblical moral absolutes, as reflected in current American law and culture, will result in America paying the consequences of its sin. Volumes could be filled with the consequences of the sins we now have legitimized through our secular law.

Though it seems as though it is entirely too late to stop the avalanche of destruction that will be heaped on America because of our disregard for God's commandments, it does not mean that Christian politicians should be silent on controversial subjects.

Though we are liable to suffer persecution for trying to outlaw homosexuality, to make divorce much more difficult to obtain, and to suggest legal penalties for those who

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murder the unborn...so what! It is the Lord who has given us the responsibility to be **ambassadors** of both the gospel and His absolute truth. It is God we should be trying to please, not men. Someday, our countrymen will wake up and realize that what we are saying now is true. America cannot and will not survive if it rejects the moral absolutes set forth by God in His Word.

Out of love for these same countrymen, Christian politicians should now stand up and be counted. It is time to stand against the tide of opposition confronting us from every conceivable side, including the phony church. If Christian politicians are simply trying to win popularity contests, they will fail. **Either we must please men at God's expense or please God, even if it costs votes! Out of love for America, we must do the right thing.**

chapter nineteen

TALK RADIO EVANGELISM

If you have ever listened faithfully to any talk radio station in the country, you will find a glut of godless people, providing incredible volumes of godless advice, on any one of hundreds of different topics or issues. In my pre-political days, I would often travel in my car listening to many of these radio programs.

Often, I would find myself shaking my head in disbelief at the *garbage advice* I was hearing over the airwaves. In a decade, I think I only heard half a dozen bona fide evangelical Christians get through on the phone lines to share biblical advice on the air.

It occurred to me on many occasions that **Christians ought to organize radio talk show ministries**. Such organizations would target particular local, regional, and national shows. Hundreds of these Christian volunteers would call the shows trying to get through to give practical, biblical counsel. Not only would they be helping the individual callers, but they would be planting the seeds of the gospel and of biblical truth in many thousands of people who listen to such shows. This is a worthy idea, and I would challenge any believer reading this to try it.

Talk radio became a part of the *Bailey for Life for Congress* campaign that I never once anticipated prior to entering the race. I had expected the newspapers and the television stations to go ballistic when they learned of our campaign tactics, but I hadn't counted on talk radio. Little did I realize how God could work through the talk radio arena.

Before the campaign was over, I had logged over 70 hours on the regional and national talk radio circuit. It was an unbelievable opportunity to share both the pro-life message and the gospel message of Jesus Christ. God used these shows in a mighty way in both my personal life and in the lives of countless others who heard them. To Jesus Christ I give all the praise!

My first hint that talk radio would perhaps be a powerful tool in raising the debate on abortion came during the week prior to our ads airing in the primary. Once the news broke in the *Associated Press* that we planned to run truthful ads about the issue of abortion (they didn't quite word it that way), we began receiving calls from talk radio producers all over the country.

Because of time constraints and the fact that these shows always ran two to three hours, I limited our involvement on a priority basis to those stations or shows that could be heard by listeners in our district or by listeners in the contiguous cities that bordered our district. For obvious reasons, I wanted an opportunity to either convince ninth district

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voters of the truth of our positions and tactics or convince possible financial supporters in these adjoining areas.

How my eyes were opened to the great opportunity God had given us to share truth in this exciting talk radio medium. Not only was I the guest on numerous shows throughout the campaign, but our pro-life ads were the subject of hundreds of other talk radio shows around the country. On more than a few occasions, someone would call to say they heard us on one of these shows, then asked if they could send us money. Of course, we said yes!

Whenever possible, I would make an effort to actually be in the studio for each specific show. Though over half of the shows were done by telephone, I always preferred to be in the studio. At the studio I could see the host, hear the callers better than at home, and concentrate more intently on the subject matter. Either way, I was grateful for the privilege of serving the Lord in this unique way. **Talk radio was just another version of Christian Media Ministries!**

The show hosts always seemed to enjoy my presence (at least most). I know I was good for ratings. When I was on, the station phones would light up and stay that way for the entire length of the show. The abortion issue and the use of Christian truth within the context of a political campaign jolted the emotions and aroused the passions people have.

As you could surely guess, many of the discussions were quite spirited. Whenever I was on, I asked God for grace and favor to be His witness to the truth of Jesus Christ. **He never once failed me.** I also kept my Bible open. The practice of bringing my Bible and actually using it was probably a bit unsettling for some of the hosts. Many of them treated me more like a preacher, not a politician.

My favorite talk radio jock was Joe Lomas, from WKRC 55 in Cincinnati. In the nine months of the campaign, Joe and I talked for no less than twelve hours during four different interviews. When I wasn't on with Joe, he often would take the more liberal side of an issue, but he always showed me a great deal of respect. Surprisingly, with Joe and most other shows, **60-70% of the callers were on my side or at least defended my right to do what we were doing.**

Upon arriving at WKRC, Joe would always greet me, provide the requested Coca-Cola (r) with ice, and usher me into the studio. Once in, I would pray silently, take off my coat, loosen my tie, pull out my pen and pad for note taking, and open the Bible in anticipation of the flood and variety of questions I knew I was about to face. With headphones on and the intro music to the show playing, I was blasted into another world for the next three hours.

After introducing me as the candidate from southern Indiana who was turning television media upside down all over America, Joe and I would engage in the normal chit chat about what was happening and about plans for the upcoming fall campaign. After