

From Where I Sit . . .

"God Bless America"

I am so thankful this morning that enough people opened their eyes and saw and didn't like what was going on in the values and social-moral areas of American life. There were many areas of concern in the Presidential election from national security and the fight against terrorism, to the economy. Certainly those issues are large, and certainly they rightfully affected many voters. But there was an element within this election that needed talking about, and the people have spoken. They are not ready to give up on America, and many do understand that personal righteousness is essential to securing the favor of a righteous God. According to surveys, moral values played a significant role in the outcome of the election. They need to play a more significant role in the shaping of our nation's future.

We praise God today that He has heard our cry for help. I was so thankful that so many states voted resoundingly to define marriage as God authored it from the beginning. The gay-marriage advocates suffered a significant blow in the states being asked to vote on the marriage issue. The mandate was clear. Marriage is what God designed it to be. Perversions of the marriage law must not be forced upon us by liberal judges who disregard the will of the people and who disregard the sacred concept of marriage as defined by God. The battle is far from over, and Christians must be emboldened to speak out on such moral issues. We must not stand idly by while a liberal court or a liberal segment of society trashes the sacred landmarks.

We are a nation that slaughters babies by the millions because a humanistic society and a liberal court thinks that a woman's right of choice outweighs the sacredness of fetal life itself. The woman who is not raped exercised her choice when she chose the road that led to conception in the first place. To justify wholesale abortion merely because there are special cases involving rape, incest, and life threatening pregnancies is a stigma to our society. While some special circumstances deserve to be dealt with, they should be dealt with separately from a wholesale license to use abortion as a birth control alternative.

We do not need leadership in our country that cannot be exemplary as role models of the very highest of values. When the U. S. News and World Report indicated that alcohol and mixed drinks would be brought back into the White House if one of the candidates won the election, my heart was heavy. It was sad enough watching the news report of his drinking beer and watching a baseball game. While drinking alcoholic beverages is accepted by a large segment of our society, it does not reflect the values that role model leadership should demonstrate.

It's time for God's people to turn back to prayer and to personal righteousness ourselves as a means of shaping the future for our boys and girls. We need God's blessing in this great undertaking, and thus we must pray, pray often, pray fervently. Then we must consistently live the kind of life we pray about. The church, the country, the home, all will be strengthened by restoring righteousness to the land.

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