

October Edition: Voting Is Our Sacred Honor



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Voting is not about politics. Voting is our sacred honor. This is an important and timely reminder for America.

The birth of our nation required the death of valiant and valuable human beings who sacrificed their lives so that the lives of others and the freedoms of others would be attained and maintained. **As we guard and preserve the freedoms for which so many men and women have died, it is our duty, rather, it is our sacred honor to exercise our right to vote.**



A way to honor the heroes who died to keep us free is to vote for policies presented by the candidates and not for the popularity of a politician. Voting shines as a pinnacle of our freedom as a nation and our freedom preservation. Therefore, we sincerely believe that voting is our sacred honor.

Our Founding Fathers risked everything for the sake of freedom and independence. In fact, the final sentence in the [Declaration of Independence](#) says, "And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."

President Ronald Reagan said, "This Nation was born when a band of men, the Founding Fathers, a group so unique we've never seen their like since, rose to such selfless heights. Lawyers, tradesmen, merchants, farmers, 56 men achieved security and standing in life, but valued freedom more. They pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. Sixteen of them gave their lives. Most gave their fortunes. All preserved their sacred honor."

In modern-day America, we face a different version of the same battle: to preserve and protect our freedoms. President Reagan also said, "Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free."

How can we do that? What can we the people do today to protect our freedom? One important action we must do is to vote for men and women who will preserve and protect the Constitution. This election is Tuesday, November 6. You can vote early, vote absentee, or vote on Election Day itself. Our main point is simple: Just vote!

Here are 3 resources to help you vote:

- 1. Register to Vote:** Learn how to register to vote [here](#).
- 2. Vote Early:** You don't have to wait until Election Day to vote. [Click here](#) to learn how you can vote early.
- 3. Use a Voter Guide:** Be sure you are informed about candidates' policy views. [Click here](#) to see a voter guide for your specific election.

This election, we ask you to do two things: Pray for our country and, out of your sacred honor, vote. When you vote, vote for the men and women whose policies most match with your values. We vote for freedom protection, life protection (pro-life, whole life), and wise financial preservation (lower taxes, more jobs, and better healthcare for all). We hope and pray that you will do likewise. Again, it is our sacred honor.

In God we still trust,
Carrie and Stacie Stoelting
Co-Founders of UnitetheUSA.org

This Month's Bible Verse



"In God have I put my trust:
I will not be afraid
what man can do unto me."

Psalm 56:11

Featured Quote and Meme to Share



This Month's Historical Video



President Eisenhower Wins (1952)

This month's historical video features footage from the 1952 election when President Dwight Eisenhower won the presidential election.

Voter Responsibilities



Enjoy this short video by **David Barton** of Wallbuilders.com as he explains the importance of Christians voting.

Midterms About Future of American Freedom

By Star Parker

According to the Pew Research Center, 66 percent of those supporting Democratic candidates and 18 percent of those supporting Republican candidates say, "If a person is rich, it is because he or she had more advantages in life than most other people."

This from a new Pew survey of Democratic and Republican voters, going into the midterm elections.

There couldn't be a bolder picture of the deep division between Democrats and Republicans regarding what America is about.

Consider the richest man in America, Jeff Bezos. He's the founder and chairman of Amazon and is worth well over 100 billion dollars, depending on where the stock market ends up on any given day.

Did Bezos achieve this phenomenal wealth because he had "more advantages in life than most other people"?

Bezos was born to a teenage mother and a father who was an alcoholic. The marriage lasted one year.

When Bezos was 4 years old, his mother married Mike Bezos, a Cuban immigrant who arrived in the USA when he was 15.



Per accounts of the family, Bezos' stepfather was an ambitious, hardworking man. But there is nothing in the story that would suggest something extraordinary or some kind of formula for producing one of the richest men in the world.

In 1994, as the new internet technology emerged, Bezos saw the potential, quit a good job at an investment firm, and founded Amazon.

According to Forbes Magazine, which annually publishes a list of the 400 wealthiest Americans, 69 percent are self-made.

How about Oprah Winfrey, worth \$2.8 billion, according to Forbes? She was born poor, on a farm in Mississippi, to unmarried parents, and raised by her grandmother.

No, the American story is not about one's life being determined by circumstances. Individuals have free choice and must ultimately take responsibility for the course of their own lives.

Sometimes I wonder how many Americans have actually read our Declaration of Independence. "Governments are instituted among men," according to our founding document, "to secure these rights" of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Government, in the American vision, exists to protect individual freedom, not to decide who should have what and invade individual private space, capture private property and income, and redistribute it to others based on what politicians think.

Not surprisingly, according to the same Pew survey, 68 percent of those supporting Democratic candidates, versus 29 percent of those supporting Republican candidates, believe "if a person is poor, it is more due to circumstances beyond his or her control."

The survey contains a list of issues, all consistently showing that Democrats want government to run our lives and that Republicans believe in freedom. There is only one place that Democrats want personal freedom. They want freedom for women to kill their unborn children.

That's the picture and what we're looking at in the upcoming midterms. Are we going to have a free country, as envisioned by our nation's founders? Will we have a nation that respects the sanctity of life and the right and responsibility of each individual to choose their personal destiny?

Or will we live in a nation where our destiny is determined by a political class and political connections?

The more we spend, the more we grow and expand government programs, the more we tax our citizens and accumulate massive government debt to finance it all, the harder it will be to turn back.

Local elections have national implications. Voting for Democrats should be understood as a conscious decision to relinquish our freedom as envisioned by America's founders and for which we have been fighting for almost two and half centuries.

About Star Parker



Star Parker is one of the names on the short list of national black conservative leaders. Star Parker is the founder and president of the Center for Urban Renewal and Education (CURE), a Washington D.C. based public policy institute that promotes market-based solutions to fight poverty.

Star consulted on federal Welfare Reform in the mid-90s and then founded CURE to bring new ideas to policy discussions on how to transition America's poor from government dependency. In 1996, she was a featured speaker at the 1996 Republican National Convention.

Today, CURE leads a network of 800 pastors serving in at-risk communities across the country; and hosts BlackCommunityNews.com, a leading internet news network that has provided conservative information to more than two million viewers since 2015. Before involvement in social activism, she had

seven years of first-hand experience in the grip of welfare dependency. After a Christian conversion, she changed her life. Now, Star regularly consults with both federal and state legislators on market-based strategies to fight poverty.

In 2017, Star joined the White House Opportunity Initiative task force to share ideas on how to best fix our nation's most distressed zip codes. In 2018, she was appointed to the U.S. Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission. Star has a bachelor's degree in Marketing and International Business from Woodbury University and has received numerous awards and commendations for her work on public policy issues.

In 2016, CPAC honored her with the "Ronald Reagan Foot Soldier of the Year." In 2017, Star was the recipient of the Groundswell Impact award, and in 2018, Bott Radio Network presented Star with its annual Queen Esther award. Many of national acclaim would agree that Star Parker has established herself as a thoughtful and energetic leader in Washington D.C. - and her CURE advisory board includes folks of note such as Generals John Ashcroft and Ed Meese; Drs. Marvin Olasky, George Gilder and Walter E. Williams, as well as Secretary Ken Blackwell and Economist Larry Kudlow.

To date, Star Parker has spoken on more than 225 college campuses, including Harvard, Berkeley, Emory, Liberty, Franciscan, UCLA, and UVA. She has authored several books; is a regular commentator on national television and radio networks including the BBC, EWTN, and FOX News; and Star is a nationally syndicated columnist with Creators, reaching 7 million readers weekly.

Featured Founding Father

By Wallbuilders

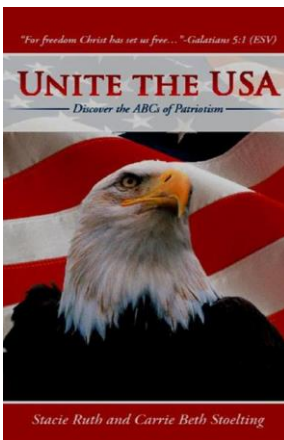
Dr. Benjamin Rush, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, was considered by John Adams to be one of America's three most notable Founding Fathers, ranking alongside George Washington and Benjamin Franklin. But his contributions to America were not purely political, even though those were very significant.

For example, he is also known as the "Father of American Medicine." He was a founding member of America's first Bible Society and is credited with helping begin the American Sunday School movement. He helped organize America's first Anti-Slavery society and was a leader in the national abolition movement. He held multiple university professorships, and is properly titled "The Father of Public Schools Under the Constitution," being an advocate for free public schools for all youth.

As families across the nation prepare to send their fifty-five million children back to school in the next few weeks, it is a good time to review the intent behind America's original educational system: for students to receive a sound academic education based on God's Word. In fact, in 1791, Dr. Rush wrote a lengthy piece providing a dozen or so reasons why America would continue teaching the Bible in our public schools.



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