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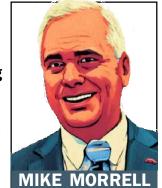
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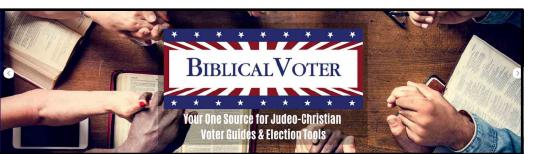


I've had dreams about Charlie every night since Wednesday Sept 10th.

By: Neil Mammen

I wake up and sadly realize they were just dreams. We are in shock. The last few days feel like a fog. It is almost too much to handle. We are crushed. It's unbelievable. Rather than waking up from those dreams, I'm waiting to wake up from this nightmare, to hear someone say, "The dream is real. He's fine. He's just recovering. The rest of attempted killers are being hunted down." But no such words have come. The cold hard morning reality comes. Instead, I find myself almost hearing the actual words of our Lord: "Well done, good and faithful servant." Charlie's work on earth was complete, and the Savior called him home to his eternal reward.

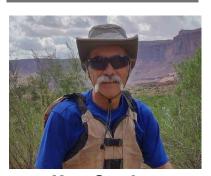




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The Great, and even Legendary, Charlie Kirk, is dead. No one understood or had the Heart of the Youth in the United States of America better than Charlie. He was loved and admired by ALL, especially me, and now, he is no longer with us. Melania and my Sympathies go out to his beautiful wife Erika, and family. Charlie, we love you!



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# Grieving Charlie Kirk Confronting a Divided Culture

### DRAN REESE President Salt & Light Council www.SaltandLightCouncil.org

The Salt & Light Council extends our deepest condolences to the Kirk family, to his TPUSA family, and to all Americans who now share in this tremendous loss. Together, we grieve the passing of a patriot, a leader, and a brother in Christ.



May this moment serve as a true turning point for our nation. Now, more than ever, we must each be engaged for the right reasons—knowing that God comes first, that we live under His authority, and that government rests beneath His sovereign hand.

We pray that Charlie's legacy will endure, and that 10,000 new voices will rise up in his spirit—boldly taking their stand for an America rededicated to God and country. Our hearts and prayers remain with his wife, his family, and all who loved him. Charlie will be deeply missed, but his influence will live on.

In the days after his passing, my husband and I were dining at a restaurant in Lake Tahoe, California, when I overheard two men at the table behind us mention the word pastors. Curious, I leaned back and said, "I heard you mention pastors. I work with pastors. What do you do?"

One replied, "We are pastors."

"Oh great," I said. "What denomination?"

"Methodist and Lutheran," came the answer.

Something felt uneasy, but I pressed on: "Aren't you stunned by the death of Charlie Kirk?"

To my shock, one responded, "Don't get me wrong, killing is not right, but Charlie Kirk was evil."

I couldn't believe what I was hearing—especially from a man claiming the title of pastor. I pushed back gently: "That is an unfair statement. Charlie was not evil." His voice rose as he repeated, "You are wrong, he was evil. Don't get me wrong, killing is not right, but he was evil."

**Stunned, I replied one last time,** "This is so unfair. Charlie was not evil." At that, they abruptly left the restaurant. My husband turned to me and said quietly, "They were gay." Suddenly it all made sense.

That encounter revealed something deeper: the spiritual battle we are in is

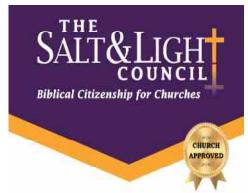


not primarily political, but moral and eternal. Some are disguising sin under the cloak of religion. They are angry, misleading, and determined to twist God's truth. The Bible describes this separation of wheat and chaff, and we are watching it unfold in real time.

Charlie Kirk showed us how to engage with people on the left—those confused, angry, or spiritually broken—and to do so without fear. Yes, conversations may grow heated, even hostile. But silence is not an option. Words, no matter how sharp, cannot be allowed to intimidate us into retreat. People lash out because they are hurting. They do not know the truth that only Jesus can bring.

Our calling is clear: to bring the water of life and the preserving salt of truth to a world in desperate need. Along the way, we may face hatred, insults, even persecution. But we must not shrink back. We are in a battle for the soul of our country—freedom or slavery, truth or deception.

Charlie Kirk lived boldly, courageously, and unapologetically. His example challenges us to do the same: to live as salt and light in a darkening world, to speak truth with love, and to never forget that Jesus remains the answer.



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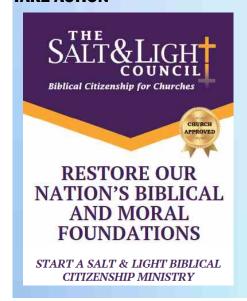
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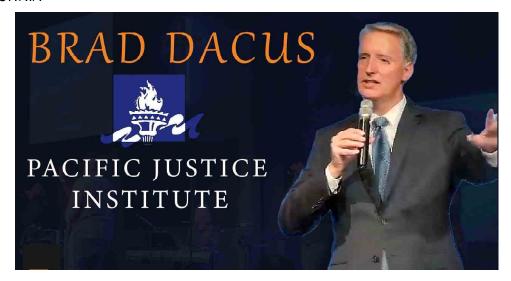
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Of the many requirements contained in the bill, A5825 mandates that homeschool curricula must comply with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for K-12 education set by the New Jersey Department of Education, including subjects such as comprehensive sex education and diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives, which may conflict with a family's moral, religious, or philosophical beliefs. No other state in the nation requires that homeschool curriculum to align with that of the public schools and A5825's mandate would significantly threaten parental rights and religious freedoms, particularly for families using faith-based curricula.

"This bill is a direct assault on the fundamental rights of parents to educate their children according to their religious beliefs and values," said Brad Dacus, president and founder of Pacific Justice Institute. "Many parents choose homeschooling to incorporate faith-based teachings, avoid secular curricula that conflict with their convictions, or tailor education to their child's unique needs. A5825's requirements would force families to conform to state standards that violate their religious freedoms."

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#### From the Publisher:



# What are we really fighting for? By: Terry Wild

#### What Are We Fighting For?

The question "What are we fighting for?" is not just a slogan; it is a life-defining inquiry. Ask ten people and you may hear answers such as God, Country, and Family. These words sound noble and inspiring, but behind them lies a deeper struggle that demands clarity. Unless we truly understand what we are fighting for, we risk defending shadows instead of substance.

#### **God: Who Defines Him?**

The word "god" is used in countless ways. In some cultures there are thousands—even millions—of gods. Ancient civilizations bowed before carved idols. Modern societies often worship money, power, fame, or even self-image. For many, "god" is simply whatever they prize most.

Christians, however, confess that there is one true and living God, revealed through the Holy Scriptures. Our understanding of Him is not based on opinion polls, private feelings, or cultural fads. It is based on the authority of the Bible. Scripture tells us plainly: "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one" (Deut. 6:4).

The profound truth is that God gave humanity free will. Each person has the right to choose whom they will serve. Yet freedom of choice does not make all choices equally valid. There is only one Creator of heaven and earth, only one Redeemer who entered time and space to save humanity, and only one Holy Spirit who regenerates the heart. That is the God Christians fight to honor and proclaim.

#### Country: A Stewardship, Not an Idol

Patriotism is a noble virtue when properly ordered. Christians are called to seek the welfare of their nation, to pray for leaders, and to uphold justice. Yet our loyalty to country is not blind nationalism. Nations rise and fall, but God's kingdom endures forever.

Still, Christians recognize that freedom is a stewardship worth defending. Religious liberty, freedom of speech, and the rule of law are not accidental privileges—they are gifts entrusted to us. To neglect or squander them is to fail future generations. Fighting for our country, then, is not about waving flags for the sake of sentimentality; it is about preserving the conditions that allow the Gospel to be preached and families to flourish.

#### **Family: The Foundation of Society**

Alongside faith and country stands family—the bedrock of human life. From the beginning, God designed the family as the primary place where love is nurtured, children are raised, and values are passed on. Marriage between one man and one woman, the bond between parents and children, and the wider circle of extended kinship provide the structure that civilizations rest upon.

Our fight for family today is urgent. Cultural pressures seek to redefine marriage, devalue parenthood, and undermine God's design. Yet Christians fight not with anger but with truth and compassion. We fight by demonstrating what healthy, God-centered families look like—homes filled with forgiveness,

sacrifice, joy, and prayer. When the family is strong, the church is strong, and society itself is renewed.

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#### **The Deeper Battle**

Yet beneath these visible fronts—God, Country, and Family—lies the real battlefield: the human heart. Scripture reminds us that "we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers" (Eph. 6:12). Our fight is spiritual before it is political or cultural.

Christians are called to live transformed lives, not merely to win arguments. If our outward activism is not rooted in inward renewal, our efforts will collapse. The gospel teaches us that real change begins with repentance, faith, and obedience to Jesus Christ. He is not only the center of our faith but also the source of our strength.

#### **Fighting With God's Weapons**

So, what are we fighting with? Not with bitterness or hatred, but with the weapons God provides: truth, prayer, faith, love, and perseverance. The apostle Paul urges believers to put on the full armor of God—belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, shield of faith, helmet of salvation, and sword of the Spirit (Eph. 6:13-17).

When Christians arm themselves this way, they can face cultural hostility without fear. They can stand firm for truth without becoming harsh. They can defend the faith without losing sight of grace. The world may mock or oppose, but the battle belongs to the Lord.

#### **A Call to Clarity**

So again, what are we fighting for?

- We fight for God—not the vague "god" of cultural opinion, but the living God revealed in Scripture.
- We fight for our country—not as an idol, but as a trust where freedom can be preserved for future generations.
- We fight for family—not merely as a social unit, but as the sacred institution God designed to mirror His covenant love.

And above all, we fight for hearts and souls—to see men and women reconciled to God through Jesus Christ. That is the most profound and vital battle of all.

Let us be clear, steadfast, and courageous. For when Christians know what they are truly fighting for, they do not fight in vain.



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### Charlie Built a Great Movement, Not a Great Monument

I've had dreams about Charlie every night since Wednesday Sept 10th.



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#### **CONTUNUED FROM FRONT PAGE:**

**But let us pause on a phrase laced with tears:** Charlie built a great movement, not a great monument. With tears, because it's not Charlie IS building. It's past tense.

**Turning Point USA** was never meant to be "Charlie Kirk USA." It was never designed as one man's pulpit or a monument to his ego. And that, precisely, is why it flourished.

Ancient history tells us dark tales. How many movements have crumbled under the crushing weight of their founders' pride? Leaders who mistook themselves for the mission. Men who believed their charisma, their voice, their image was the movement itself. When they fell, everything fell with them.

#### Herod built monuments. Paul built churches of people, not stone. Guess which still stands.

History repeats the lesson. Steve Jobs was a genius, a pioneer, a man who reshaped entire industries. But when he was forced out in the 1980s, Apple nearly died without him. Even after his death, the company survived financially, but the spark, the daring spirit, the creative edge faded. Why? Because too much of the identity was tied to him.

And what of the tyrants of history? They demanded loyalty not to principle, but to personality. When they died or were deposed, their movements evaporated. Because there was never truly a movement. There was only a man.

This is the danger of ego-leadership. The founder becomes the bottleneck. No one else can rise. No one else can speak. No one else can lead. The oxygen is consumed by one presence. And the work suffocates when he fades.

Charlie did the opposite. The movement is bigger than the man.

#### A Leader Who Gave Away the Spotlight

Every leader must decide what to do with the attention that inevitably comes. Weak men hoard it. Strong men spend it. Charlie spent it on others.

He raised up new voices. He created a movement of co-laborers, not fans. At conferences, he often spoke only once or twice-by choice-because he wanted hundreds of other voices to rise. He made sure that when students walked away, they didn't just say, "I heard Charlie." They said, "I heard ten or twenty speakers who changed my life."

**Most founders would never do that.** They would plaster their faces on every banner, stretch their keynotes until no one else had a chance. But Charlie inverted the model. He built a stage for others.

As a personality, he recruited personalities. As an influencer, he recruited influencers. As a leader, he recruited leaders. He created managers, organizers,

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speakers, pastors, activists-and trusted them to lead. Charlie didn't make fans-he made leaders.

That is why TPUSA is not fragile. It is not a shrine to one man. Charlie lit the torch, but we must carry it.

#### **A Movement with Many Arms**

In 2021, with my friend Pastor Rob McCoy, Charlie launched TPUSA Faith, mobilizing churches and pastors to teach biblical citizenship, to host Freedom Nights, to reclaim the pulpit for truth. He knew the fight was not merely political-it was spiritual. I'd been advocating this separately for over 20 years, long since before I wrote my book: Jesus is Involved in Politics! Why aren't you? Why isn't your church? For years it was but a dream and it went nowhere despite talking to many pastors. It took Charlie to realize it was needed and make it real. Not only has Charlie reached pastors, but TPUSA Faith has opened the door for the largest number of young males to embrace Christ in decades. With his death, 1000s and 1000s have started to turn to Christ and go to church. (If you are looking for a church that reflects Charlie's concepts of Biblical Government go to www.MyChurchFinder.org).

Then with Turning Point Action (TPAction), Charlie put boots on the ground. Door to door. Youth volunteers in battleground states. Apps that connected activists with voters. A national database built not for one rally, but for thousands of homes, thousands of conversations, thousands of ballots chased and delivered. He gave these tools away, because he believed the cause mattered more than control.

Conferences multiplied. National chapters spread like wildfire. Media shows reached millions. High school clubs, college alliances, faith summits, issue campaigns, young women's conferences-Charlie kept giving away the work so that others could own it. Charlie built a great movement, not a great monument.

#### **When Leaders Die**

#### So what now? What happens when the leader is struck down?

The enemy always uses the same strategy: kill the man, kill the cause. Lee Harvey Oswald. Sirhan Sirhan. The boy who shot at Trump but failed. Each time, the story is eerily similar-a patsy presented, a narrative pushed, while the true plotters hide in the shadows. Who was the gun drop from? Who visited his town from DC in the weeks before the event?

Their goal is always the same: to make us give up. To silence not just one voice, but every voice.

But here is the question: will you let them win? Did they kill a leader or did they create a martyr?

The true defeat is not Charlie's death. The true defeat would be if we, the people who loved him and shared his mission, quit. If donors close their wallets. If students retreat from campus. If pastors remain silent. If parents stop training their children. That is what the killers counted on.

Charlie left a legacy, not a vacuum. Now it rests with us.

#### **The Real Call to Action**

So I ask you again: will you let them win? Or will you honor Charlie's vision by proving that he built a great movement, not a great monument - that this was

never Charlie Kirk USA, but Turning Point USA, a movement built to outlast him?

#### That decision rests not in the hands of a gunman, not in the hands of shadowy plotters, but in your hands.

Because Charlie built a great movement, not a great monument. And if you cared for Charlie, now it's time to prove it. Will that happen? I can only pray so. I can only urge you not to falter. Donors, high school students, college students, volunteers, workers-the vision may have started with Charlie, but now it's yours. Don't let them win.

Everyone ask yourself: what are you willing to do to continue his fight? Stop here and pray. Ask the Lord what it is you are supposed to do. Here's the call to action.

This November, make sure every single eligible Christian you know votes for God's values, not their own. It's God's vote, not theirs to waste or ignore. In fact as my beautiful wife suggested, we should make the first Tuesday in November, Charlie Kirk day. This year it's Nov 4th.

Charlie lit the torch, but we must carry it. Make TPUSA, TPUSA Faith, and TPUSA Action the most watched, most influential media in the world. If you can afford it, be at AmFest, and at every conference. When TP USA comes to your local college be there. Commit to this movement for the next 20, 40, 60 years. Subscribe, follow, and join every variant of each out there - on X, YouTube Shorts, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok. These platforms have algorithms that distribute based on popularity. Let's get more people seeing TPUSA in their feed. Don't just watch old Charlie clips. No - also watch the new TPUSA kids, the new leaders, the new influencers. Give them space and time to grow. Give them a platform.

Talk to your pastor. Ask him to go to a Pastor's Summit. Offer to pay for him. Grow TP-Faith. Every legislator from the water board to the Senate, should fear the words. "I'm a pastor with TP-Faith, we need to talk."

What will it take for this movement not to end in your lifetime but to extend to your children and their children's lifetime? This is what we must do.

#### We must raise new Charlie Kirks in our families.

Watch every video interaction of him with those who hate God's laws. It's a training manual. Do a few every dinner time. Watch the question. Pause it. Ask your kids: What is the right answer. Allow them to guess first, then allow



them to look it up on a device if needed. Then watch his answer. Then ask your kids: what did he do right, what did he do wrong? Discuss the tactics. Discuss the answers you learn. Do research with them.

Ask: how should we respond, what facts do we need to know? Come up with scenarios they have to prepare for.

Are you a teacher in a Christian School? Do this in class. First, it immunizes your kids against the Left. Second, it trains them how to respond to others. Third, it raises those young girls and boys as Charlie Kirks. Watch this space, subscribe to our substack we'll release a few trial versions so you can show them and test them out. We'll pick the ones with no foul language from the crowd and with topics appropriate for kids.

Now go raise young Charlie Kirks.

Above all, Vir cadit, opus manet.

Don't let the great mission die with the great man.

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"A Christcentered caregiver, wife, mother, and inspiring writer"

by Kathryn Cox

As America mourns the passing of Charlie Kirk, one California mom, whose son faced bullying and attacks in high school for starting a Turning Point chapter, is calling for action.

A Southern California mother is proud of her patriotic son. During the teen's senior year of high school, his love of God and country amid the 2022 pandemic prompted him to launch a Turning Point USA chapter. Swift retaliation came from students and an LGBTQ group. The "pride" group tore down TPUSA posters around campus and vandalized them with vulgarity. As he waited in the car

## Protecting Conservative Students is Essential to Carry On the Mission of Turning Point

pickup line for his mom one afternoon, a student shot him with a BB gun, injuring him. School officials dismissed all pleas for help.

"The school administration did nothing to reduce the attacks and disregarded me completely," the young man recalls.

On the East Coast, a college junior ran for student government president as a MAGA Republican at a large state university. During the contentious election, he withstood persistent heckling and death threats.

For both young men, the constant persecution caused mental distress, leaving them fearful and unable to keep up with their academic studies. The college student contacted the same California mom for help, and she gladly agreed. Reaching out to Turning Point, the mom hand-delivered a letter detailing the abuse to Kirk's assistant at a TPUSA event at UC Riverside, petitioning Charlie for any assistance he could offer.

"We too receive threats all the time," was the only consolation given.

The California mom admits she was confused and exasperated at **TPUSA's apparent snub.** Were the "threats" against Turning Point legitimate, or was the dismissal simply a cop-out to mask a too-busy-to-care attitude? The horrific answer came loud and clear on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

Turning Point's mission is already gaining momentum as appalling post-assassination jeers inspire conservative students across the country to amplify Charlie's message. It's time for freedom-loving Americans to unite and demand protection for these kids and young adults, regardless of where they attend school or college.

**"We should not normalize** death threats or accept the ignoring of hate crimes committed against conservative students," stresses the California mom.

Parents can be more involved in their children's schools by participating in school board elections, showing up at board meetings, and meeting with school officials to insist no student is subjected to intimidation or assault.

A unified public can put pressure on liberal universities to endorse free speech, support peaceful expression without violence, and promote debate of differing viewpoints in a respectful and safe manner. If schools refuse to act, communities can call for media attention or schedule a conference with local representatives to expose biased school administrators.

The late pastor Robert Schuller once said, "It's not the duration of a lifetime that counts but the donation of a life." Agreed. Charlie worked tirelessly every day God gave him to preserve life and liberty. We must take part in holding learning institutions accountable to protect all their students with determination and resolve.



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**BY: Lawrence Hebron** 

1781. The American Revolution had been going on for six years, and both sides were nearing exhaustion. British commander, Lieutenant General Charles Cornwallis, had been conducting a campaign in the south, hoping to cause the southern colonies to leave the revolutionary cause. In an uncharacteristic error, Cornwallis led his forces between the York and James Rivers, leaving him little room to maneuver. He had counted on the support of the British Navy operating

### The World Turned Upside Down

in the Chesapeake Bay toprotect his flank and rear and to provide naval gunfire support.

**General Washington, finally enjoying** the support of both the French Army and Navy, marched his army south from New York. The French Navy cut off Cornwallis' support from the British Navy and trapped the British in the village of Yorktown. Washington's long-awaited decisive battle began October 9, 1781. The American commander commenced a merciless artillery bombardment maneuvering his forces closer and closer to Cornwallis' defenses. Upon the capture of Redoubts 9 and 10, on the night of October 14, the British situation became hopeless. On October 19, Lord Cornwallis surrendered his army of over 7.000 officers and troops plus some 800 seamen, marking the end of the final major battle of the American Revolutionary War. As Cornwallis' troops marched out to surrender their arms, the British band played the

tune, "The World Turned Upside Down." Peace negations began the next year. The Treaty of Paris was signed September 3, 1783, ending the war. Signing for the United States were Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, and John Jay.

Indeed, the world had been turned upside down. The advent of the United States was the culmination of something truly exceptional. It was a God-story.

Benjamin F. Morris (historian, clergyman, author) writes that the British colonial era in North America "opened a new chapter in the progress of events and in the history of colonizing countries...God now changes the scene, and, for the first time in the history of the world, the colonization of a new and great continent begins from the purest and

profoundest religious convictions and principles." The founding of the United States is nothing less than God setting the stage for the next act in human history.

The American philosophy of government was proclaimed in the second paragraph of the Declaration of Independence, adopted July 4. 1776: Governments are instituted among men to secure these rights that are endowed by their Creator. This philosophy—this guiding principle-is unique to the United States. The philosophy government of virtually every other nation in history has been, "Governments are instituted among men to secure the dominance, wealth, and privilege of the power elite." Notice, there is no mention of the people, of their liberties, nor their God. The United States of America is truly unique, forged by God Himself to do His work for His children. It is a noble, divine heritage which we must never forget nor forsake.

### In Managing Money, Focus on Need, Not Greed



**By Mike Morrell** 

Disagreements about money injure a lot of relationships. I've seen it personally over decades in finance and real estate. How to avoid: Moderation And accepting that while it's fine to make good money, it's not a requirement to live well.

For that, we connot forget our souls. Nothing in the material world can completely satisfy the soul. That's why we often hear words to the effect of "material things are fleeting and the real goal in life is to become good, not rich."

Money has changed over the centuries and today we even have expanded into the etheral universe (crypto). But it's important to remember that how we treat our money has been a topic for the great thinkers over the ages.

**St. Augustine, for example, observed** that our cities lack justice because people are driven by greed or the desire for more than what is necessary. The greed feeds ceaseless desires, which then leads to excess, which produces injustice.

Augustine cites the book of Galatians in the Bible. "The flesh lusteth against the spirit" (5:17).

Or consider Aristotle, noting that an overzealous pursuit of material goods would lead to an insatible appetite for more material goods. Aristotle belieced that modernation, when joined with the other virtues, would lead humanity to happiness.

**In more modern times,** no less a philosopical giant than Will Rogers said, "Too many people spend money they haven't earned to by things they don't want to impress people they don't like."

What these thought leaders realize – and what takes some people a lifetime to understand – is that money itself is not bad. Money is an inanimate object without a will.

**People, however, do have a will** and it is in this area where problems arise. People are capable of being bad. So it's critically important when dealing with money to understand how we control money, how it controls us, and how the pursuit of it can affect us.

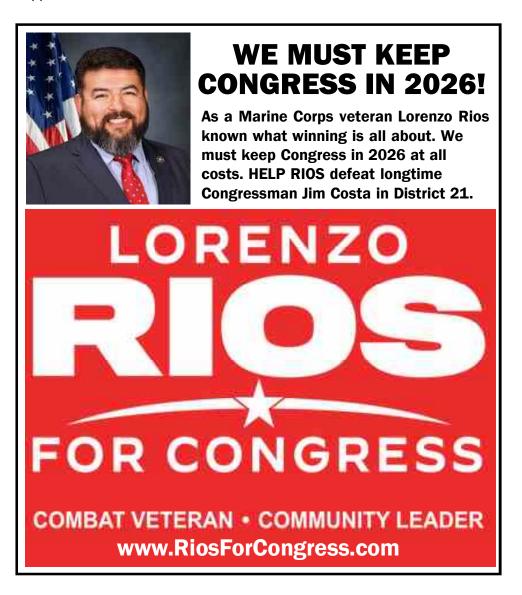
The economy is structured to help people buy things. Marketing, advertising and public policies all push consumerism. They appeal to the greed of individuals and accommodate oversending through the use of credit, allowing people to possess somethings before it's paid off completely.

This is fine as long as buyers follow the virtues, especially moderation. But in decades of meeting tens of thousands of cleints, I've learned some difficult truths. The vast majority of people violate scriptural princi;les regarding money management. And in most cases, people got into bad situations as a direct result of their own mistakes.

As to scriptural principles, it's notable that there are more than 2,000 references to money in the Bible. The book of Proverbs alone has more that 100 references and is a great place for anyone starting out in business to become familiar with scriptural views of money. It's very much worth our attenction, especially if we can commit to a life of virture.

Moderation, a key to managing money well, occurs when a consumer could have anything he wants but chooses to pursue only that which he needs. Make true moderation a life-enriching goal.

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### **OPINION MATTERS**

# Vote is Key in California Kirk By Samuel Hernandez



By Rich Bailey

Christians who choose not to vote have created a mess. California is a oneparty state. It shows. California has a crumbling infrastructure. Its water system, once the envy of the world, is being dismantled.

Ditto schools. It has the highest poverty rate in the nation. Based on rate of incarceration, California looks like the Alabama of 1870. California leads the nation income disparity.

Its economy features exploiting noncitizens through human labor trafficking, offshoring jobs and wage suppression. Its forests burn. Voters can no longer count on free and uncorrupted elections." Rendering unto Caesar" includes participating in the life of the community.

That means paying taxes, obeying the law, serving on juries and in the military and, most significantly, voting. Christians who don't vote ought to view themselves as responsible for California's decline from Golden to Third World State. School kids suffer. Those inpoverty and the homeless suffer. Families suffer. Unborn children never have a chance to live. The State's forests burn. Those who can, leave. Senator Ted Cruz put it this way, "There are 90 million evangelical Christians in the United States, it's about 30 percent of our population.

In the last election, 54 million evangelical Christians stayed home. If Christians will simply show up and vote our values, we'll turn this country around."He went further, "The message my father conveys to pastors is that we have too many pastors hiding behind the pulpit who are afraid to preach the word of God, who are afraid to say to Christians, we have a scriptural obligation to be salt in the light, we have a scriptural obligation to be watchmen on the wall, and every one of us has are sponsibility to be engaged in our public life, voting our values."In 2018, Pastor Franklin Graham put it bluntly when he described the class that calls the political shots on today's west coast.

"Progressive?" he said, "That's just anotherword for godless." According to the Pew Research Center, Christians make up almost two thirds of California residents. Nationwide, an estimated 25 million Christians don't vote inpresidential elections. 65 million do not participate in local elections. 15 million are notregistered voters. California includes about ten percent of the nation's Christians. Working it out, if California Christians follow the national trend, over two millionCalifornia Christians will sit out the 2020 presidential election. Six and a half million will fail to vote in the next round of local elections. One point five million aren't even registered to vote. If even a small portion of Christians who now sit on the sidelines got involved, the state

David Clausen of the Family Research Counsel, put it this way,"It is no **surprise that withdrawing** from the political process has become a temptation for many Christians. . . . Do we really need to get involved in the messy world of politics?" His answer. Yes, it is. "Engaging in politics," he writes, "is not only unavoidable, it is also an opportunity to obey God and show love to our neighbors. American Christians, with our right to vote, have aunique opportunity and duty to affect the political process.

"Dran Reese, of the Salt and Light Counsel, is on a mission to develop Biblical voters." Christians," she writes, "have written platforms on what they believe. This is called the Bible." Other voters rely on their own platforms. Low information voters listen to the media and "parrot what they say." Her guide suggests "Breaking free to become a true Biblical Citizen is to take your Biblical knowledge . . . and align to the party that most represents your faith and values." Getting Christians to vote is possible. It is a necessary step in moving California out of its political dead-end.

# Getting Christians to The impact of Charlie

#### The Impact of Charlie Kirk...

On September 10, the assassination of Charlie Kirk shocked the nation. If you knew Charlie Kirk, you most likely felt the shock—just as though you just lost a brother, or maybe like the loss of your father, or older mentor.

Charlie was all that for millions of college students. For young college men, he was a father figure, and a father figure for the young women he undoubtedly touched in his on-campus question and answer series. If you observed his interaction for more than an hour, you could see that Charlie, while passionate and firm, was a caring and graceful man.

He took the words of Dennis Prager seriously: "I prefer clarity to agreement." He lived by that standard as he worked with college students in debate format to have an open dialogue of ideas. Charlie would frequently remind his audience that "when people stop talking, that's when you get violence." Charlie was a man of peace.

When antagonistic students came forward to insult Charlie—a frequent occurrence—he would encourage the student to engage in conversation and encourage the student to share their views. Even after disagreeing, Charlie would continue to remain calm and would send off the student with kind and reconciling words.

So why the affection for Charlie? Perhaps it lies in the degradation of our national educational system, where in high-schools and colleges, the quality of education in teaching the classics to math and science, has taken a back seat to propaganda and the loss of academic excellence.

In an article in the National Review, Frederick M. Hess and Richard B. Keck noted that traditional disciplines have been sidelined in favor of "identitydriven and boutique programs." DEI and CRT based curricula have supplanted civics and resulted in the implementation of teaching the 1619 Project.

Hess and Keck also noted with the occurrence of grade inflation—norms have eroded, and the study of the classics have largely been discarded in favor of less academic courses. As many in academia have noted, many of the best-known colleges and universities in America now teach only two to four courses per year. Instead of teaching, they have focused their time and energy on raising grant money for the universities, doing research, or performing other bureaucratic duties.

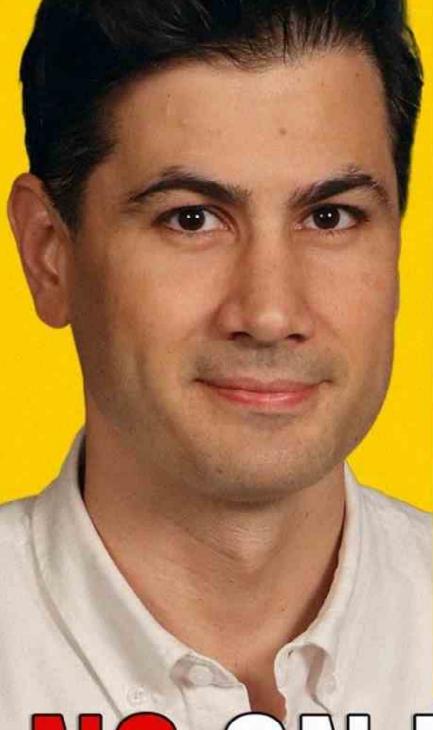
In more recent years, conservative students have been concerned about their personal freedoms. They have expressed concerns about being able to speak candidly with their teachers and their peers. Indeed, a survey released by Constructive Dialogue Institute, found that 45% of students overall, and 64% of conservatives are afraid to speak up out of fear of offending their peers. In the same survey, 94% of students agreed that students should be willing to listen to "others with an open mind," including those with whom they disagree.

What the tragedy of Charlie Kirk's assassination showed us, is the depth of love and connection of millions of conservative students. He gave us an example of how to engage with open dialogue in a peaceful and fair-minded

Students crave the opportunity to share their ideas and feelings freely, and to be validated for their expressions. Charlie did this. He gave the students permission to speak freely. He embraced their challenges.

Not only did he allow his students to speak and answer their questions he gave brotherly and fatherly advice. Charlie was only 31 years old when he passed, but he had the wisdom of Solomon. He had the patience of Job. He had the caring heart of a loving savior: Jesus Christ. And for that, he was Martyred and is now in the hands of our loving father in heaven, the Most High God.





### **PROP 50 WILL:**

- END INDEPENDENT MAPS: Prop 50 will dismantle electoral maps based on community input and census data and hand the power back to politicians – allowing them to draw district lines that favor their party.
- SILENCE VOTERS: Eliminates public hearings, community input and public engagement.
   Voters deserve transparency, not backroom deals.
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- UNDERMINE DEMOCRACY AND FAIR ELECTIONS: It makes it easier for politicians to rig elections in their favor.

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## **Christian's First Amendment Rights Violated at Mayday USA Event by City of Los Angeles - Lawsuit?**

On May 31, during the Mayday USA event in Hollywood, the City of Los Angeles allegedly violated the First Amendment rights of a Christian group seeking to assemble and protest.

Mayday USA had applied for a permit to gather on Hollywood Boulevard to support parents and children and to celebrate their Christian faith through prayer, song, and baptisms. However, the City denied the permit, classifying the event not as a protest or assembly protected under the First Amendment, but instead as a concert or performance. Officials instructed the group to apply for a different permit through the Bureau of Street Services (BOSS), which handles permits for concerts and entertainment events.

The BOSS office subsequently denied the request, stating that they do not approve permits for protests or free speech activities—effectively leaving the group without a path forward. Organizers claim this is a tactic the City uses to discourage groups from exercising their constitutional rights.

Notably, the same type of permit requested by Mayday USA was approved for the LA Pride event the following week—at the same location and time—which also included community celebration and advocacy

**Attorneys representing Mayday USA** argue that the City's actions amount to a clear violation of their First Amendment rights. The City later suggested the group apply for

a last-minute permit, which severely restricted their activities: baptisms were prohibited, and organizers were told that extended singing or speaking would not be considered protected speech under the First Amendment.

Mayday USA is currently exploring legal action against the City of Los Angeles in response to what they view as unconstitutional restrictions and discriminatory treatment.

Empower parents to educate their child as they see fit. Support the Children's Educational Opportunity Act. Register at the homepage to sign the statewide initiative.

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### Dr. Kevin McNamee Bio

California's public schools are falling short, jeopardizing both our students' potential and the state's future. Standardized tests reveal alarming statistics: 44% of 11th graders cannot read proficiently, and 72% lack basic math skills. For many of these students, the result is a minimum-wage job with little opportunity for growth. How can we turn this around?

The Children's Educational Opportunity Act (CEO Act), a 2026 initiative, empowers parents to take charge of their child's education by choosing the school that best fits their needs, rather than leaving the decision to government bureaucrats or politicians.

Leading this effort is Kevin McNamee, former Mayor of Thousand Oaks. As a professor, a 35-year business professional, and a doctor of chiropractic and acupuncture, McNamee brings extensive experience in networking and coalition-building to drive meaningful change for California's students.



#### **CONVERSATION WITH A MOM**

This afternoon, I received a call from a mother inquiring about how the CEO Act works and when it will take effect.

**After giving her a brief overview,** we discussed her family's situation. She and her husband have chosen to send their children to a faith-based school, which costs between \$1,200 and \$1,500 per month. Due to rising costs and inflation, they have had to cut back on their own food expenses to afford tuition. They also forgo vacations to prioritize their children's education.

I told her that she and her husband are remarkable parents for making such a sacrifice. Every month, they pay \$5,500 in tuition to keep their children in the school of their choice. Since this is after-tax income, they actually need to earn \$11,000 to cover these costs.

With the CEO Act providing \$17,000 per child annually for education, their family would free up \$5,500 per month—allowing them to save for retirement, take vacations, and ease their financial burden.

These are the families we are saving with the CEO Act.

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### The Ark of our Times By: Kurt Starkey



#### So this is real ..... a call to board the Ark!

We are living in the times foretold by the prophets of long ago. For those of us who haven't awakened to the fact that we are starving as a nation for the word of God! The blinders need to come off and God's people need to reveal

**themselves.** The time is ripe for the harvest of souls willing to turn their lives around, repent, and take up the cross of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. This nation is at a turning point in the road to either destruction or salvation. We need to choose, we need to awaken to the times we are living. Look what we've accepted into our culture, our morals have been corrupted and deranged. Our world has been turned upside down.

We have just paid the cost of blind negligence to what is going on around us. We only have to look biblically and historically to what happens when the truth is spoken.

Noah preached for a hundred years of the coming flood. Who listened? His family did, and they were saved from catastrophic calamity. All of humanity was wiped from the earth except for those who listened to the truth, Noah and his family were saved. Noah was faithful and preached the truth and he and his family were saved.

Acts 6:5, Stephen "was a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit. Full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people. Acts 6:8, opposition arose but the men who argued with Stephen were no match for the wisdom given him by the Holy Spirit. So the men began to falsely accuse him, labeling him a blasphemer and having him arrested.

Stephen was not concerned about his earthly existence. God inspired him to speak boldly, rightly, accusing Israel of their failure to recognize Jesus. For telling the truth, he was sentenced to a stoning death. Stephen, full of the spirit, looked up to Heaven and saw the glory of God, "look", he said, "I see Heaven open and the son of man standing at the right hand of the Father".

#### Stephen was sacrificed for the telling of the truth.

Moses followed God's truthful word about saving the Israelites from the bondage of Egypt and the prevailing Pharaoh at the time, and rescued them across



the Red Sea to eventual freedom and the prospect of a promised land. They listened and were rewarded for responding to the truth. They boarded the Ark!

**Our Lord and Savior, came down from his seat** on the throne of Heaven to deliver the gospel truth to a wayward civilization destined for destruction. But God saw fit to deliver the truth to a ragtag group of men who later became the Apostles, who later were left with the Holy Spirit to carry of the word of God to the lost and fallen, ill, destitute, and lonely, and for their actions, they were all except one, slaughtered for telling and spreading the truth about redemption and salvation.

#### Christ was sacrificed on a cross for our sins.

**Christ's disciples** were sacrificed for their commitment to his principles, morals, and truths.

These sacrifices were not in vain because the movement of redemption and salvation moved through the centuries to where we are today.

We are not dead in Christ, we are alive in Christ, our light is a beacon to the world.

Wherever truth is attacked, God's people rise up and make known the truth which will set us free. There's a righteous church out there and amongst us that will prevail till the end.

A heavenly call to the safety of the Ark. Charlie Kirk did not die in vain, instead, he has lit the light of salvation of spreading the truth no matter the cost, to the point of his death. The world needs to hear the truth of the spirit. We need to talk to each other, settle our differences, and unite in Christ. Charlie, the modern Stephen of our time, as a sacrificial lamb, has paid the ultimate price for spreading the truth in having open discourse about life, morals, and scripture to right our ways or face eternal damnation apart from God forever.

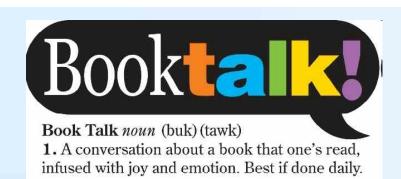
**Charlie Kirk's voice,** shouting from the wilderness was cut short due to the principalities and rulers we can't see but now know they're all around us and are bent on destroying mankind and all of creation for the sake of greed and hatred for our Creator.

We need to wake up as a people and as a nation and stand up to this unseen wickedry all around us before it's too late. The Lord will call his chosen to come home at some point, and then grace, which he has extended for a time will be taken away and then destruction as the world has never seen before will prevail for a time.

In my hearts of hearts, I felt that there would have to be some kind of event as what happened to Charlie Kirk that would fuel the fire of the Holy Spirit and create a world wide revival so desperately needed in order to achieve God's holy plan of redemption and salvation, heralding in the coming kingdom of God. We need to board the Ark of Safety now, while there's still time to give our lives to Christ and help save those still lost in sin and living in the dark to the truth that will set them free!

We pray for this victory in Christ and passage to the safety of the Ark of our times ..... Grace, and the holy, life changing word of God!





#### Unearthing the Lost Treasure: Wisdom Paperback – October 23, 2024

by Dr. Sheila Schuller Coleman (Author)

"The wisdom of my mother was a saving grace to my brother and me. Unfortunately, wisdom has become buried under conflicting voices. As a result, our society is left to flounder when it comes to being able to tell lies from truth. This book is a valiant effort to unearth this treasure before it is lost another day." Dr. Ben Carson

"Unearthing the Lost Treasure: Wisdom" unearths the treasure of wisdom, provides the map to where it can be found, and how to embrace it for the treasure it is.

The author takes readers of any age on a journey through engaging, humorous, and heartfelt stories, that capture the hearts of those who are longing for more in life. The stories are woven throughout the book as "pearls of wisdom". These pearls of truth are strung together in strands, themes that can lead to the best life possible.

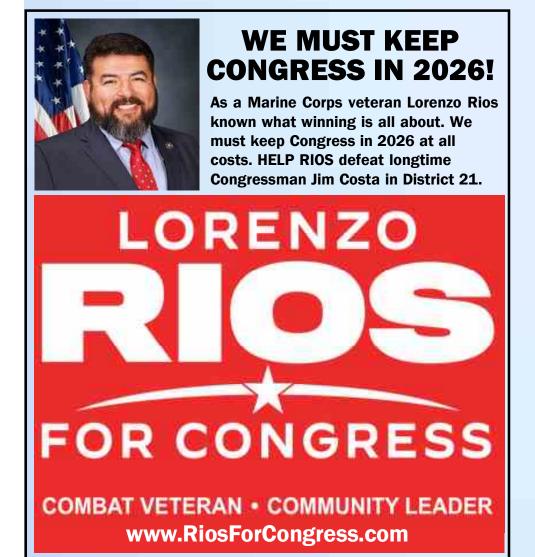
"This book is my gift to the younger generations. I am in the later part of my life, and I can tell you it has been the best life possible. I wanted to share the valuable lessons I learned (some the hard way), in a way that will capture your heart. Most of all, I pray this book will awaken life and love and truth in your heart. So you, too, can live the best life possible." -- Dr. Sheila Schuller Coleman

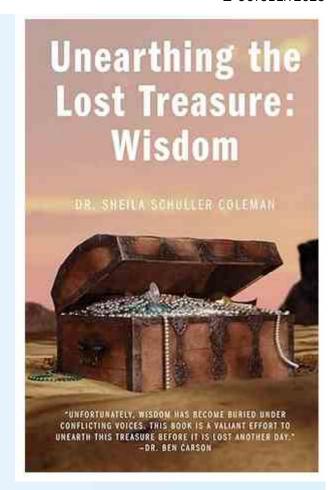
Wisdom is learning how to tell truth from lies.

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The treasure is there. It's time to unearth it and restore it!







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