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"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Liberty." 2 Cor 3:17

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A Message from Mat Staver, our Founder and Chairman

Pastors and Patriots: It's Time to Fight Back!

*America is spinning out of control. The evidence of tyranny continues to mount: Obama-Care, Benghazi, the IRS targeting scandal, the Department of Justice improprieties, wire taps of the media, the monitoring of law abiding citizens' phone calls, emails, and social networks. **Enough is enough!** We must fight back now or we will lose our freedom.*

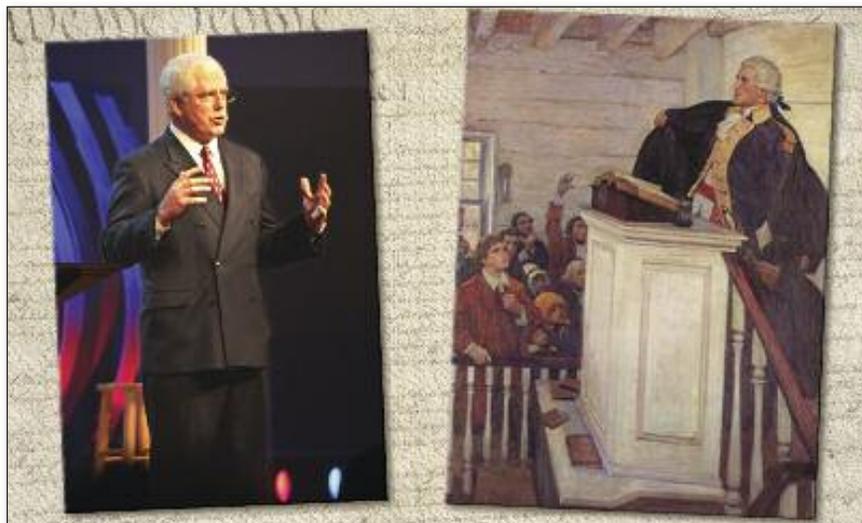
The American Revolution was born from the spiritual foundation of the Great Awakening. Pastors and patriots rose up to fight side by side. For such a time as this, Liberty Counsel is launching our new *Pastors and Patriots* initiative. I am calling on pastors and patriots across the nation to stand with us!

New England pastor Nathaniel Whitaker preached a stirring message before the outbreak of the Revolutionary War in which he said, "We sin against God and nature, when we tamely resign our rights to tyrants, or quietly submit to public oppressors, if it be in our power to defend ourselves."

We are living under a tyrannical government that is pushing America into the abyss. ObamaCare is the biggest expansion of the federal government in our lifetime. Even Senator Max Baucus (D-MT), one of ObamaCare's chief architects, now calls it a "train wreck."

President Obama has shown he couldn't care less about our religious freedom, and he has demonstrated an insatiable appetite for slaughtering children in the womb. ObamaCare is destroying our

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*Liberty Counsel's Founder and Chairman, Mat Staver, (left) has long been inspired by colonial patriot Reverend Johann Gabriel Peter Muhlenberg (right), who in 1775 famously preached a sermon to his Woodstock, Virginia, congregation from Ecclesiastes 3:1 ("for everything there is a season...") and then removed his clerical robe to reveal he was also wearing the uniform of an officer in the Continental Army. As a former pastor and now a national leader in the battle for the soul of America, Staver has launched one of Liberty Counsel's most important initiatives to date, the vital *Pastors and Patriots* program, to encourage, educate, and mobilize pastors. Like Pastor Muhlenberg before him, Staver is an example of a man of God fighting for our unalienable, God-given rights to Liberty, Life, and Family. It is noteworthy that the Lord greatly blessed Muhlenberg's military service, and on February 21, 1777, he was promoted by an act of Congress to the rank of brigadier general, commanding the 3rd and 5th Virginia Regiments.*

Painting by Stanley Massey Arthurs. Courtesy of Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, PA. Photography by Sara Mummert.

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freedom and is forcing every American to fund abortion.

The official narrative on Benghazi was changed from it being an obvious terrorist attack to putting blame on an

they must now speak in favor of them! *Silence will be deemed discriminatory and will now subject employees to discipline.* And this is not limited to the DOJ – this radical new tactic spans the other federal agencies as well!

We must take a stand against this

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obscure YouTube video for one reason: Barack Obama wanted to be reelected.

That is also why the IRS scandal was kept quiet, even though it was known the IRS had been targeting conservative groups for many months before the 2012 election. Clearly, when the President said he would reward his friends and punish his enemies, he meant it!

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And don't forget, the Department of Homeland Security has been purchasing millions of rounds of ammunition, stockpiling tanks, and acquiring other military equipment.

SILENCE IS NOT AN OPTION IN NEW DOJ GUIDELINES

Amidst all of this, an employee with the Department of Justice (DOJ) confidentially revealed to Liberty Counsel that the DOJ's celebration of so-called "Gay Pride" includes a new policy of "silence is not an option." In other words, it is not good enough for DOJ employees to refrain from saying something against homosexuality and a host of other sexual perversions –

tyranny before it is too late. As I travel the country, I find the general sense is that America is spiraling out of control. *Increasingly, outraged Americans are ready to stand up and fight!* They tell me they are looking for leadership.

LAUNCHING A POWERFUL NEW STRATEGY TO RENEW AMERICA

Looking back on the birth of this nation, it is clear that the Great Awakening gave birth to the American Revolution. Spiritual renewal provided the foundation for the birth of liberty in the civil body politic. The sermons of pastors were literally the fuel for the American Revolution.

I believe the same can be true today. For many months, I have been praying and seeking counsel from pastors, ministry leaders, and lay leaders. In the future, I will be sharing more details about a number of new strategic initiatives we are considering. But perhaps the most essential of these is our powerful new *Pastors and Patriots* program.

Because I was a pastor before entering law school, I firmly believe that the problem with America is spiritual. Having just returned from Israel, I had the privilege of visiting Caesarea Philippi, known to the Greeks as *Panias*, named after the pagan god, Pan. Here, there is a large cave with

water that literally bubbles up from deep below, creating a clear, flowing river. The setting includes pagan altars carved into the mountainside around the cave. To the pagan mind, the cave was the gateway to the underworld – Hades, or hell, as we call it.

It was here Jesus asked his disciples "Who do people say that I am?" When Peter responded that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of the Living God, Jesus said, "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell (Hades) shall not prevail against it" (Matthew 16:18).

THE RUMORS OF GOD'S DEATH ARE EXAGGERATED!

German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche wrote in 1883, "God is dead. God remains dead. And we have killed him." Nikita Khrushchev predicted the end of Christianity in the Soviet Union and said the last Christian would be paraded on Soviet television within a few years. The April 1966 cover of Time Magazine bore the headline, "Is God Dead?"

My recent experience in Israel has reminded me that, despite centuries of persecution, the children of Israel have survived the oppression of Babylon, Egypt, and Nazi Germany alike.

And despite King Herod, Nero, and martyrdom, the Church has also survived and flourished!

Nietzsche is dead. Khrushchev and the Soviet Union are gone. Yet God is not dead; the Church is alive, and God will not be mocked!

It is time for pastors and patriots alike to stand up. It is time for the Church to be the Church – God's people must rise up!

Our new *Pastors and Patriots* initiative will encourage, educate, and mobilize pastors in critical states and regions throughout the country. This month, I will be meeting with about 600 key pastors in Florida who are part of our *Pastors and Patriots*

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network. We are diligently working to establish many other similar networks.

We have asked Randy Rebold, an exceptionally talented former pastor who worked with Dr. David Jeremiah, to join the Liberty Counsel team. He was nominated for 17 Emmy Awards and won seven times for song writing, production, and performances. We will be conducting “God and Country” style rallies around the country in key areas, consisting of spiritual and patriotic music, drama, and motivational messages.

And we have a technical development team working on a digital mobilization platform to encourage and enable pastors and patriots to stand up and fight back!

Some very special donors have invested the money to launch this program. They, like you, are deeply concerned about the future of our country. I urge *you* to join us!

Here is what you can do: (1) Give us the name of a pastor whom you think should be part of this initiative – we are looking for pastors who understand the times; (2) Let us know if you would be interested in forming a committee in your church to be a conduit of information to the pastor and the church; (3) We need a significant amount of additional funding to undergird this vital *Pastors and Patriots* initiative and we need the financial help of thousands of friends like you.

Please, pray for the *Pastors and Patriots* program. Please also give an

additional gift, beyond your support of our legal and public policy work, to support this crucial new initiative. If you know of others who could help financially, please call and let us know. And, finally, ask God how you can help us and be used by Him to make a difference.

God birthed us for this moment. It is time for pastors and patriots to rise up! As for Anita and me, we shall serve the Lord – and we pray you will join us! 🙏



Mathew D. Staver, who founded Liberty Counsel along with his wife, Anita, in 1989, serves as the organization's Chairman. A leading constitutional attorney, widely read author, and sought-after speaker and cultural apologist, he also serves as Dean of the Liberty University School of Law and as Chairman of Liberty Counsel Action. Staver is among the core leaders of a national effort to rebuild the conservative movement in America.

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with us as we resolutely advance the cause of those unjustly targeted by government bullies. *We cannot – we will not – give up!*

Whether in our communities, in the states, or before the highest levels

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of federal power, we will fight the good fight, as God gives us the strength. Liberty Counsel will always strive to see that the law is used for good and work to expose officials who show favoritism to evildoers. And when we succeed, we give Him all the glory! 🙏

Anita L. Staver, Liberty Counsel's President, cofounded the ministry in 1989 along with her husband, Mat. Anita is a member of the bars of the state of Florida and the District of Columbia. She is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, every federal court of appeals in the nation, and six federal district courts.

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From Anita Staver, President

STANDING FOR OUR AMERICAN VALUES AGAINST THE VICIOUS ATTACKS OF RADICAL STATISTS



“How long will you make unjust legal decisions and show favoritism to the wicked?” — Psalm 82:2

Being an American is starting to get embarrassing. Another week, another scandal.

Fast and Furious, Benghazi, Colombian prostitutes, Pentagon porn, military sexual abuse, AP phone records, IRS targeting conservatives, phone monitoring and data mining of private accounts, just to name a few. Lady Liberty is blushing, or at least she should be.

Today government priorities are backwards. Bureaucrats use unfettered power to harass innocent citizens. For instance, Attorney General Eric Holder did nothing to stop the illegal “Fast and Furious” gun-running operation that resulted in the death of an agent, but he viciously prosecutes innocent pro-life citizens and stirs up radical

government officials against them.

Liberty Counsel is helping one frequently harassed innocent: Susan Pine. We recently filed a federal lawsuit against the City of West Palm Beach and three members of its police department on behalf of Susan and a fellow outreach

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worker, both of whom offer real help to those facing crisis pregnancies. stated that he was “at a loss as to why the Government chose to prosecute this particular case in the first place.” He also questioned whether the DOJ and the clinic were engaged in a “concerted effort” to stop Susan’s activities.

A DOJ attorney admitted that President Obama was involved in decisions on Susan’s earlier case. Is Eric Holder still engaged in a vendetta against Susan? Clearly, this administration despises those who value human life. After all, it is Barack Obama who said, “On issues that are important to us, we are going to punish our enemies and reward our friends.”

So, using the President’s logic, patriotic Americans become enemies of the Obama administration, as they are certainly targeted for punishment! Meanwhile, immoral radicals get a pass. *Such treatment is simply un-American!*

Our Government persecutes innocent pro-life citizens instead of making an example of the real criminals: The Security and Exchange Commission employees who were caught viewing online pornography at work... the senior Pentagon officials who were caught downloading child porn... the Secret Service agents who patronized Colombian prostitutes... the sex-trafficking ringleaders... and those responsible for the multiple current scandals that threaten to destroy the greatest nation on earth.

Please, pray for Susan’s case. Stand

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worker, both of whom offer real help to those facing crisis pregnancies.

The city constantly harasses Susan and others for raising their voices so that women outside of an abortion clinic can hear them, yet it obligingly lets others in the same area make loud noises.

How is the Attorney General involved? Susan Pine was previously sued by Holder, alleging that she obstructed the entrance to the same abortion clinic. We defended Susan, the lawsuit was dismissed, and the DOJ was required to pay \$120,000 for its abuse of power.

The federal judge in that 2012 case