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"Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence." (1 Timothy 2:1-2)

"We have a new president! The end of an error, the Obama Presidency, has come to its end. The national nightmare is over. May peace and prosperity reign to the glory of God!" –Dave





WE the People have spoken! Not as a pure democracy, but as

a federated, constitutional republic.

WE the People, in order to form a more perfect union, ordained our current form of government when the original thirteen states ratified our US Constitution.

Furthermore, to protect our individual liberties, the Original 13 ratified the first ten amendments to the Constitution, known as the Bill of Rights.

The hallmark of our republic is how we peacefully elect a new president and vice-president. Each state is given a vote through the Electoral College. The number of electors is equal to each state's total of US representatives, plus their two senators.

The Electoral College was brilliantly designed to keep a populous state or a small covey of states from conspiring to wield power over the majority of states.

No greater example of our Founders' brilliance and wisdom is found in the election of our 45th President.

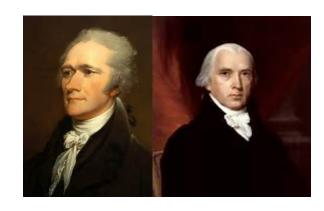
Had WE the People ordained a pure democracy, the state of California would have determined the outcome of our election. Being a native Californian now transplanted in Florida, I would fear and loathe California determining the future path of America.

Why? It is because Hillary Clinton, based on the results in California, won the general election, and would have been inaugurated yesterday instead of President Trump.

I thank the God of the Bible, our Creator, that did not happen!

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FROM THE FOUNDERS



When you read the last and long paragraph of Federalist #51, you see what great lengths the Founders went to protect individual liberties. They understood that too much central power, outside of society's influence, would result in tyranny. However, they also knew there was protection from society itself in its disparate entities amongst the states and communities. This is why we are supposed to have a limited federal government and the Electoral College.

"It is of great importance in a republic not only to guard the society against the oppression of its rulers, but to guard one part of the society against the injustice of the other part. Different interests necessarily exist in different classes of citizens. If a majority be united by a common interest, the rights of the minority will be insecure." Alexander Hamilton or James Madison, <u>Federalist #51</u>

I want you to imagine that instead of waking up today knowing President Trump is in the White House and Secretary of Defense James Mattis is leading the Pentagon, that Hillary and Bill Clinton are once again living at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Seeing the resounding Electoral College loss by Hillary Clinton, the worst in 28 years by a Democrat candidate, it would be inconceivable to think it could happen.

However, if many people I know, some liberals, some libertarians, all of the them very ignorant of the purpose of federalism, had their way, the inconceivable would be reality. This is what the call for the abolition of the Electoral College will bring.

Now, the argument has been made had the popular vote been the sole, determining factor, then Donald Trump would have focused all his campaign energies in the most populous areas and he would have still won.

I am not so sure that is true and I am unwilling to test that theory. The Founders got it right from the start, and change is not needed.

FROM THE PULPIT

"But the challenges facing our nation are so great that it will take more than natural ability to meet them. We need God's supernatural power. The good news is that the same God who empowered Nehemiah nearly 2500 years ago is available to every one of us today who is willing to humble himself and ask for His help." Pastor Robert Jeffress, "When God Chooses A Leader" sermon to President Trump on Inauguration Eve, Washington DC, January 19, 2017.

I confess my great disappointment in Pastor Jeffress' endorsement of Donald Trump back in 2015. I accused him of sullying the gospel and selling out to a heathen. While I am not saying Donald Trump is a born-again saint and that pastors haven't sullied the gospel for the sake of politics, I ventured in assuming I knew what was in Pastor Jeffress' heart.

For that I repent.

I am greatly encouraged by not only the team President Trump has assembled, but I was also impressed by the President's inaugural speech. It was a pep talk to the nation. Of course, Democrats, liberals, and the Washington ruling class despised it.

This is why you know it was effective. While I do not want to gloat in the defeat of my political enemies, I also know for the large majority of them magnanimity and good will towards them will not be reciprocated. They seek the destruction of conservatism and more important to them, Christianity.

While I am encouraged and impressed by the Trump Administration, Pastor Jeffress is right that America needs "God's supernatural power." The forces of evil have been gathering in America from the very beginning.

A great allegory of this is found in my buddy Steve Deace's fictional thriller, "A Nefarious Plot." You need to get that book, so you can say you read it before it became a movie. The same production company that made the "God's Not Dead" movies is making Steve's book into a movie to be released next year.

The reason I present this, is WE the People need to know that America was saved from itself with the swearing-in of our 45th President. Indeed the disaster that would have been another Clinton presidency has been avoided, however, President Trump and his administration are flesh and blood and "it will take more than natural ability to meet" the challenges before us.

We need King Jesus!

TO THE STREETS

In our current and understandable exuberance, it would be tempting, predictable, and dangerous to let our guard down as citizens. While Donald Trump promises to make America great again, and I believe he means to, we can never assume that all is well now. WE the People are solely responsible for each of our elected officials, holding them accountable to their oaths of office.

The reason I began The Truth Watch initially is because I was sick and tired of hearing that politics and religion do not mix and that there was a required separation of church and state. While Thomas Jefferson initially had the right reason for such a wall of separation, as is the case with all evil, this was turned upside down to mean the complete opposite.

So my charge to myself and you Truth Watchers is to be the "Watchmen of Liberty." This is why The Truth Watch is dedicated to getting the truth out about the founding of our nation and the relationship of politics and religion. We have grown into three main outlets to accomplish this worthy mission:

- 1. You are reading the first and original outlet, The Truth Newsletter. I pray you find it a valuable tool that is equipping you with current information through a historically accurate and biblical lens on the various topics of national interest. Please invite your friends, relatives, associates, and neighbors to join us.
- 2. I began <u>Truth Watch Radio</u> in January 2015 to offer 15 minute podcasts that shine biblical truth on our culture, politics, and religion. While I have not always been able to publish them weekly, I am confident that each podcast we've published are both informative and entertaining. Please <u>subscribe</u> for this free podcast, give us a rating there, and invite your friends. I promise to make a greater effort in publishing them weekly.
- 3. Last summer I formed Truth Watch PAC to shine the light of truth on all things political and it is dedicated to following the truth no matter where it leads. I do not care if an office holder is a Republican, Democrat, Libertarian, or any other party affiliation. If you lie, the truth will find you out. I would appreciate any level of support you can offer.

Dear Patriots, we have been given a reprieve from tyranny. We are here for such as time as this. Let us not squander what may well be our last chance.

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