

Ministers Cannot Remain Silent
Ministers Conference
Thursday, January 20, 2022

A. Proverbs 29:2 When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.

1. The countdown is on!
2. There is much at stake in the upcoming mid-term election.
3. The moral foundation of our country has been under attack.
4. The envelope of sin is being pushed to it's limits.
5. What is my role as pastor the mid-term elections?

B. Ephesians 4:11,12 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.

1. This is the job description of the five fold ministry.
2. As a pastor, I am responsible for educating my congregations in their Biblical rights, privileges, responsibilities and authority.
3. Does this include educating my congregation in the political realm?
4. The political realm touches my congregation.
5. My assignment in this election season.
 - a. Make sure my congregation is praying.
 - b. Make sure my congregation is registered to vote.
 - c. Make sure they are instructed to vote.
 - d. I will educate my congregation as to where the Bible stands on the issues we face.

C. My assignment from Brother Copeland on September 22, 2012.

1. George, you need to take the two political platforms and preach on those points.
 - a. Look at what the two parties say about a particular issue.
 - b. Compare the two platforms to God's Word.
 - c. Determine which platform best aligns with how the Kingdom of God operates.
2. Make it really clear that a platform is something you stand on.
 - a. The platform planks represent the individual issues.
 - b. You are standing on the whole stage.
3. To vote for that platform is to attach yourself to it and partake of the judgement of that platform.
4. You could vote for that person for some other reason, but if they are an abortionist, you are an accomplice.
5. There is no way out of it —just because you did it for some other reason doesn't get you off the hook.

D. "Nobody Pays Attention to those Platforms"

1. First of all, God knows what is on those platforms.
 - a. He has read them.
 - b. He will hold us accountable to them.
2. Secondly, they were written by, "We the People."
 - a. They are representatives from every state in the Union.
 - b. From the abundance of their hearts, the parties speak.
3. Thirdly, politicians will be making their decisions on our behalf based upon the platform they embrace and stand on.
 - a. The platform is the driving agenda for all legislation.
 - b. It is what they are going to push to accomplish over the next four years — and beyond.
4. "Tell my people wherever you go — those who vote for politicians knowing their immoral policies and platforms and illegal acts had better repent. They are partners with those politicians and will be responsible for every baby's death. You have taken the devil's part by not voting at all." — Kenneth Copeland
5. "I will," saith the Lord, "hold you responsible for voting for whom I tell you to vote. And you can't get out of it by not voting. I'll hold you responsible for voting for the wrong one if you do that. Some are saying they just won't vote. Actually, you just did. You are still an accomplice because you knew about a crime and you did nothing to stop it." — Kenneth Copeland

E. Political Involvement of Revolutionary Wartime Ministers

— Quotes from David Barton

1. "During the Revolutionary War, pastors and ministers played a pivotal role in the founding of our nation."
2. "Pastors were a major influence for America in achieving it's independence."
3. "Twenty four of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence held Bible School or Seminary degrees — almost half were trained for the ministry."
4. "They were influential in helping America establish it's constitutional form of government."
 - a. Scripture was the basis for elected officials.
 - b. Exodus 18:21 Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness.
5. "In the early days of our nation, politicians attended church to hear the pastors preaching on relevant topics of the day."
 - a. "Sermons about slavery, civil rights, the military and war."
 - b. "The politicians would base their legislative decisions on what they heard preached from the pulpit."

F. The Black Robe Regiment

1. Every one of the grievances against the King of England listed in the Declaration of Independence were preached from the pulpits of America before they were penned on the Declaration of Independence.
2. Pastors were at the forefront of the independence movement.
3. Paul Revere was riding to the home of Pastor Jonas Clark where John Hancock and Samuel Adams were staying.
4. Pastor Jonas Clark was one of many “Preacher-Patriots” that were part of the Continental Army.
5. They were feared by the British Army who called them, “The Black Robe Regiment.”
7. Pastor Peter Muhlenberg was preaching in church in 1776.
 - a. His sermon scripture was Ecclesiastes 3:8.
 - b. “There is a time for war and a time for peace.”
 - c. After his sermon, he took off his black robe and revealed his Colonel’s Continental Army uniform.
 - d. Three hundred men followed this Black Robe, Preacher-Patriot to fight for our independence.

G. Reverend Charles Finney — Second Great Awakening (1795—1835)

1. “Brethren, our preaching will bear its legitimate fruits.
2. “If immorality prevails in the land, the fault is ours in a great degree.”
3. “If there is a decay of conscience, the pulpit is responsible for it.”
4. “If the public press lacks moral discrimination, the pulpit is responsible for it.”
5. “If the church is degenerate and worldly, the pulpit is responsible for it.”
6. “If the world loses its interest in religion, the pulpit is responsible for it.”
7. “If Satan rules in our halls of legislation, the pulpit is responsible for it.”
8. “If our politics becomes so corrupt that the very foundations of our government are ready to fall away, the pulpit is responsible for it.”
9. “Let us not ignore this fact, my dear brethren; but let us lay it to heart, and be thoroughly awake to our responsibility in respect to the morals of this nation.”

H. Political Involvement by Ministers in the Old and New Testaments

“Clergy addressing public policy, public officials and candidates for office was not just a practice of the early American pulpit. It was a Biblical practice. Consider how often God sent His ministers either to publicly confront civil leaders or expose their wicked policies. There is no Biblical model where God has His ministers remain silent with civil leaders or about civil issues.”

— David Barton

In 1 Kings 21:1-24, Elijah confronted King Ahab and Queen Jezebel over their unjust use of eminent domain and religious persecution.
In 1 Chronicles 32:27-31, Isaiah confronted King Hezekiah over his national security failures and issues related to the treasury.
In 2 Chronicles 19:1,2, Eliezer and Jehu confronted King Jehoshaphat over blunders in his foreign relations and irresponsible economic decisions.
In Jeremiah 34, Jeremiah confronted King Zedekiah over his wicked public policies.
In Daniel 4:1-27, Daniel confronted Nebuchadnezzar over his arrogance.
In 1 Samuel 13:1-14, Samuel confronted King Saul over not fulfilling his assigned responsibilities.
In 2 Samuel 12:7-14, Nathan confronted King David regarding his immorality.
In 2 Chronicles 26:16-21, Azariah (along with eighty other priests) confronted King Uzziah for usurping religious practices through the improper expansion of government powers.
In Matthew 3:7, John the Baptist confronted civil leaders for their hypocrisy.
In Luke 13:31,32 Jesus called Herod a “fox.”

I. Ministers also partnered with civil leaders. They constructed good public policies and provided sound guidance on many issues.

In 2 Kings 6, Elisha provided the King of Israel counsel regarding military intelligence and military policy.
In 2 Samuel 7:1-13, Nathan told David to build a house for God.
In Jeremiah 21:1-10, Jeremiah provided military guidance to the King.
In 2 Chronicles 24:1,2,15-19, King Joash pursued good policies as long as the priest Jehoiada provided him with wise counsel. When Joash lost his Godly counselor, the King’s policies turned wicked.
In Isaiah 37, Isaiah revealed secret information to King Hezekiah regarding national security and foreign policy issues.
In Luke 3:10-14, John the Baptist advised the people, the government and the military.
In Luke 19:1-10, Jesus counseled a tax collector named Zacchaeus.
In Acts 26:28 King Agrippa was almost converted by Paul.
In Acts 27:9-12, Paul warned civil leaders concerning impending disaster and natural calamity.

J. Present Day Preacher/Patriots

1. Andrew Womack - Truth and Liberty
2. Terry Law - Kurdish Constitution, Religious Freedom
3. Terry Mize - Reintroduced Christmas to Cuba
4. Rep. Lauren Boebert - Powerful Woman of God
5. Dr. Gene Bailey - Revivalist, Flashpoint Host, Victory News

K. Topics I Taught at EMIC in 2020 and 2021 (emic.org/platforms)

PARTY PLATFORMS — Where Do You Stand On.....

Abortion, Supporting Israel, The Supreme Court and Judges
Same-Sex Marriage, Comprehensive Sex Education in Public Schools
What Christians Should Know About the Equality Act
Religious Liberty, LGBTQ+ Agenda

Words from the Lord about the Election

Post Election Instructions

Watch Me Work

“I am not happy with what you are doing to My nation and to my man (speaking of President Trump). He has yielded to Me and is endeavoring to follow My Word.” Then, the Lord rolled up His sleeves and said, “WATCH ME WORK.”

Isaiah 52:10 (MSG) God has rolled up his sleeves. All the nations can see his holy, muscled arm. Everyone, from one end of the earth to the other, sees him at work, doing his salvation work.

Take Your Authority Over Corruption

Take Your Righteous Stand Against Socialism

Appeal to The Highest Court

A Revolution and An Awakening

Speak Faith Over America

Bribes, Kickbacks and Extortion

God's Executive Orders (Sunday following the Inauguration)

For those of who may be wondering about the future of our nation,
we have our scripture to stand on.

Mark 11:22 says, “HAVE FAITH IN GOD!”

But, what about the new administration? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the balance of power? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the political parties? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the economy? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the abortion? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about same-sex marriage? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the LGBTQ+ agenda? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the State of Israel? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the Supreme Court? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about all the courts and judges? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about reversing Trump's Executive Orders? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about Religious Freedom? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about socialism? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about The Equality Act? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about Comprehensive Sex Education? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the vaccination mandates? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the gender issues? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the 2020 election? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

What about the 2022 mid-terms elections? HAVE FAITH IN GOD!

L. Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, November 4, 2014

1. "I have a new birth for this nation. I have planned a nation that, right at this moment, you really don't have any concept of what it's like. Hear My words, America. I have a new nation in My heart and in My mind and you don't know what it looks like."
2. "The door is open. Step through it and together we will bring a new nation on the earth, one nation under God that trusts in God."
3. "How could that possibly come to pass? It can come to pass because I am God and I change not. And My plan has already been planned before the foundation of the world. You listen to Me and you walk with Me and together we will see it come to pass."
4. "I have raised up people throughout this nation and I have a people all over this earth who are praying for the United States in this very hour. They are holding this country up before Me because they realize they need this nation also."
5. "These are the days of your deliverance. Rejoice, and be glad, because I have given you your nation back. And the manifestation of it's new birth is at hand."