

## NEEDED: CHRISTIANS & PASTORS WITH SPINES

Is it possible that pastors and their parishioners are blind to what is happening to the United States of America? Everyday and in almost every conceivable way, our Christian liberty is being assaulted and most pastors I know are silent. Except a few of course one on one, in private conversation. Many talk very big then, but are as timid as church mice about taking a public stand.

Others are just fine with everything, no matter how bad it looks. They have a dark skinned, half African, half Caucasian president. It makes them FEEL better about themselves, their nation and world. So we cannot criticize this president. All their hopes and dreams are riding on his success. Why, all should be right with the world. I wish it were, but it ain't!

These "Christians" and "Pastors", while pledging great fidelity to Christ and His Word, ignore the presidents's agenda. All the marxists and communists appointed to government positions. The push for same sex marriage, Lesbian, Gay, Bi sexual, Tran sexual pride month, the gift to our military this past Memorial Day of the repeal on Don't Ask, Don't Tell. The push to do away with all restrictions on abortion; the wholesale run away from our Christian Heritage to an all out embrace of Islam here and abroad. But that doesn't seem to be of any concern to many. They have closed their eyes to the truth (Acts 28:27) and are "willingly ignorant" (II Peter 3:5)

I think some pastors are just afraid to speak out. They are afraid people will leave their church. I weighed that concern. Having worked in this community for almost fourteen years building bridges, friendships with the black community. With our congregation going from 100% white to about 35% black, and a good percentage of Hispanics, I certainly do not want to be labeled a racist. I've had unsigned emails from "concerned visitors" and direct, kind suggestions that the church and I had no business in politics. And, I fear, many no longer attend because of my stands. But two points on this.

First, from Wilberforce attacking slavery in the British Empire, throughout the American Revolution for freedom, the Civil War to end slavery in the U.S., to Martin Luther King in the 60's, it was pastors and Christians who championed these movements. Without us, the black skin people among us would be property still. We have a long history of the Christian Church and it's pastors leading the way. Are we today to remain silent and inactive while this great nation is destroyed and morphed into the New World Order? Not this pastor!

Two, this IS NOT POLITICS for me! This is a religious liberty issue with me. It is not a Democrat/Republican, nor race thing either. It is what kind of nation do I want to leave to my children and grand-children? Answer, one that retains it's hard won liberty, personal rights guaranteed by God and the Constitution. A nation that honors it's founding on Judeo-Christian values and provides liberty and justice for all. This is a spiritual issue and a biblical calling. I cannot face God knowing I shrank from this call! So pressure there is and may continue to be, I can do no other.

What can one man do? I don't know till I try. When I'm dead, we may be able to ascertain what one little pastor, in one little obscure hamlet called Kings Mountain, North Carolina can do. I haven't been called to judge success, but to obey. God will judge the success (Rom. 14:10/II Cor.5:10). Right now what is needed is for Christians, especially Pastors, to get informed, grow a spine, stand up, speak up and help turn this nation back to God. Our only hope is a revival, not your main man in the White House.