

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

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This morning's bulletin is going to be on some forbidden ground, religion and politics. Yet, they are two important subjects in life; I am referring to man's relationship to God – hence religion; and man's relationship to man – politics. Lo and behold the Bible has a lot to say on both matters.

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

The reign of Rehoboam (Solomon's son) was an example. 1Kings 12:11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

That caused a split in the kingdom of Israel. 10 northern tribes leaving and Rehoboam left with Judah and Benjamin. The Old Testament authority was a monarchy with God ruling making it a Theocracy. Some of the kings were righteous others were wicked. Sad to say there were more wicked than righteous.

Today Israel is a parliamentary democracy. Other governments are monarchy, socialist, communist and what is called a democratic republic.

- *But what is in a name?*

Let's get closer to home, what about the USA? We were given a constitutional democratic republic. This means that our government is elected by citizens. Here, citizens vote for their government officials. These officials represent the citizens' ideas and concerns in government.

- And the idea is the majority rules – *but is that the true picture of it?*

This is your miniscule civic lesson this morning. Other problems results when the elected officials introduce agenda that was not part of their original platform. *I'm getting further out on a limb.* Let's get back to leadership from Proverbs 29

Pr 29:4 The king by judgment establisheth the land: but he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it.

Judgment = as in righteous decisions. I think you are aware the idea behind the "receiveth gifts" = bribe. (see Exodus 23:8) *Is that like lobbyists?*

Pr 29:8 Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise *men* turn away wrath. scornful – those that are filled with contempt and disrespectful. *Early stages to rioters? Hello Kenosha, Minneapolis, Portland, Baltimore; where are the wise?*

What was the reaction to Mike Johnson being elected as Speaker of the House? Rep. Angie Craig (D-MN) received a standing ovation Wednesday when she taunted Mike Johnson, who would soon after be elected speaker of the House and who is the man behind a federal "Don't Say Gay" bill, by sending a shout-out to her wife.

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Pr 29:16 When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see their fall.

“HER WARFARE IS ACCOMPLISHED”

Isa 40:1 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.

Isa 40:2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD'S hand double for all her sins.

- **Jerusalem**
- **Church**
- **Christian**
- **Lord Jesus Christ**

Last Sunday of the month – No 5:00 PM service

Dinner today: You are welcome to join us; there is enough

Today at 1:30 Study on “ANGELS”

Monday at 4:45 Hiawatha Care Center

Wed. at 5:30 Visitation

Wed. at 7:00 Midweek Bible Study Zechariah 6 & Prayer

Missionary of the week: Hauser – S. Tyrol, Italy

After 2 Bible campaigns this year. The devil is going to be on a rampage.

“Don't Say Gay” bill

"This amendment prohibits classroom instruction to students in pre-kindergarten through Grade 3 on sexual orientation or gender identity. For Grades 4 through 12, instruction on sexual orientation or gender identity is prohibited unless such instruction is either expressly required by state academic standards ... or is part of a reproductive health course or health lesson for which a student's parent has the option to have his or her student not attend," according to the amendment.

The new law establishes as “policy” in every “public K-12 educational institution” “that a person's sex is an immutable biological trait and that it is false to ascribe 3 to a person a pronoun that does not correspond to such person's sex.” Fla Stat. § 1000.071(1).

This new policy is also embedded throughout the Florida Education Code by defining “sex” as “the classification of a person as either female or male based on the organization of the body of such person for a specific reproductive role, as indicated by the person's sex chromosomes, naturally occurring sex hormones, and internal and external genitalia present at birth.” Fla Stat. § 1001.21(9).

- **There is a war going on to protect the morality of children.**