

# Pray Always

Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man. **–Luke 21:36**

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# God Has a Time for Your Success

Then commanded Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with scarlet, and put a chain of gold about his neck, and made a proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom. **–Daniel 5:29, KJV**

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# What Is in You?

O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. **–Matthew 12:34**

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# **Authentic Leadership Defined**

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. **-Daniel 3:16-17, KJV**

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## **A Dove or a Pigeon?**

Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him." **-John 1:32**

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## **If the Thief Be Found**

Men do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry; but if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house. **-Proverbs 6:30-31**

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## **Pat Robertson: It's Time for**

# Cain to Quit Presidential Race

Pat Robertson, himself a former contender for the Republican presidential nomination, is calling on Herman Cain to throw in the towel.

On CBN's *The 700 Club* this week, Robertson said allegations of sexual misconduct and long-term affairs were too much for the businessman-turned-politician's campaign to endure.

"It's time to get out," Robertson said, indicating that Cain couldn't win the nomination. Robertson's comments come at a time when Republican candidate Newt Gingrich is gaining major momentum.

The 81-year-old Robertson also said Cain, the former CEO of Godfather's Pizza, was "good at making pizzas" but is "over his head" in the realm of foreign policy. Cain recently stumbled in a broadcast interview on foreign policy topics.

Cain has denied all allegations of sexual misconduct, including the most recent accusation from a Georgia woman, who who claims she had a 13-year affair with him.

Cain has said he will decide whether to continue his campaign on Friday.

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## Rhode Island Governor Wages

# War on Christmas

A Christian business owner might take back the Christmas tree he donated to the State House for the annual Christmas tree lighting celebration—and he has made his reasons clear to the governor of Rhode Island.

For the past five years, John Leyden, owner of Big John Leyden Christmas Trees, has donated a Christmas tree to the State House Rotunda for the annual event. This year, Rhode Island Gov. Lincoln Chafee proclaimed the Christmas tree must be referred to as a “holiday” tree. Chafee says it cannot be called a “Christmas tree,” claiming this counters Rhode Island’s founding as a haven for religious tolerance, where government and religion were kept separate.

The governor’s decision shows clear discrimination against Christmas. More than 70 percent of Americans polled would rather be wished “Merry Christmas” than “Happy Holidays.”

Chafee, however, is ignoring a resolution recently passed by the State House Legislature that stated trees during this season would be called “Christmas trees.” State Representative Doreen Costa, a co-sponsor of this resolution, has said she will hold her own Christmas tree lighting celebration for those who want to actually celebrate Christmas.

“Anyone knows the green, pointed, prickly trees we decorate in December are called ‘Christmas trees.’ A Christmas tree celebrates only one holiday and it is called Christmas,” says Mathew Staver, founder and chairman of Liberty Counsel and dean of Liberty University School of Law. “Gov. Lincoln Chafee ought to wake up and exercise common sense. By trying not to offend people he has offended the vast majority of people, and he has made his action look absurd. He ought to immediately reverse his decision and do the right thing by calling the tree by its proper name.”

Citizens have the opportunity to help bring back Christmas to the state of Rhode Island. Call Gov. Chaffee's office today at (401) 222-2080 and urge him to reverse his decision.

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## **Islamophilia, Democracy and Political Correctness**

True Democracy can no more take hold in Islamic soil than a rose can grow in a glass vase ... no matter how much water it contains. This is a true statement and many Islamists know that this is a true statement.

Tell that to the politically correct segment of our society. This segment, whether it is the mainstream media or foreign policy makers, is afflicted with "opposite disorder" or better described as "Islamophilia." What is Islamophilia?, you ask. It is the irrational and self-destructive desire to show how enlightened and morally superior you are by bending over backwards to embrace the Islamic cause.

We even see rampant Islamophilia in the highest levels of the U.S. military—and it has cost some of our brave U.S. service men and service women their lives. We all remember the attack at Fort Hood, Texas, when Army Major Nidal Malik Hasan entered the Soldier Readiness Center, shouted "Allahu Akbar!" ("Allah is greater!"), then opened fire on scores of unarmed soldiers, including a pregnant woman who later died.

By the time Major Hasan was brought down by civilian police officers (he survived with paralyzing injuries), he had killed or mortally wounded 13 people and left 29 others injured.

Soon after the attack, we learned that U.S. intelligence

agencies had actually monitored emails between Hasan and the radical Al-Qaida imam Anwar al-Awlaki. Hasan had been setting off alarms in the intelligence community for months, but the politically correct military bureaucracy ignored the warning signs.

Hasan, who had trained as a psychiatrist at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland, was a frequent disciplinary problem, yet his superior officers promoted him to the rank of major, apparently to avoid appearing "intolerant" or "Islamophobic." During his residency in psychiatry at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, he required extra supervision because of his extreme views.

While at Walter Reed, Hasan delivered a PowerPoint talk to a roomful of mental health staff members. His subject was Muslims in the U.S. military. Among the points listed in his presentation: "We [Muslims] love death more [than] you love life!" and "Fighting to establish an Islamic State to please God, even by force, is condoned by the Islam."

One of Hasan's classmates recalled that presentation: "We asked him pointedly, 'Nidal, do you consider Shari'a law to transcend the Constitution of the United States?' And he said, 'Yes.' We asked him if homicidal bombers were rewarded for their acts with seventy-two virgins in heaven and he responded, 'I've done the research—yes.' Those are comments he made in front of the class ... I was astounded and went to multiple faculty members and asked why he was even in the Army ... Political correctness squelched any opportunity to confront him."

And the political correctness continued even after Hasan killed more than a dozen soldiers at Ford Hood. Army Chief of Staff George W. Casey, Jr., sent a mass email to soldiers expressing his concern about a potential "backlash against our Muslim soldiers and civilians." Casey went on NBC's *Meet the*

Press and said, "Our diversity, not only in our Army, but in our country, is a strength. And as horrific as this tragedy was, if our diversity becomes a casualty, I think that's worse."

Now, that is an astonishing statement. If our "diversity" ever becomes a "casualty," that will be a worse loss than the *real* casualties—the dead and wounded victims of the Fort Hood shooting! At the very highest levels of our military, our leaders are so anxious to be thought of as "tolerant" and "politically correct" that they openly value cultural "diversity" above the lives of our fighting men and women. That is why the military kept promoting Nidal Malik Hasan, even though he was clearly a threat to his fellow soldiers. The military bureaucracy bent over backwards to keep the Army from appearing to be "Islamophobic."

Islamists can never appreciate or pledge an allegiance to the constitution or the flag, only to the Shari'a and the Caliphate. That is why, to them, democracy is a folly or a tool to reach power. Once there, ALL forms and trappings of secular democracy will be swept away into the dust bin of Jihad. As a Christian who loves ALL people but not ALL systems I pray that the mainstream media and government officials will be cured of this deadly disease before it is too late for ALL of us.

**Dr. Michael Youssef's** expertise on the Islamic culture and the Middle East in today's post-modern world is actively sought by hundreds of thousands of followers around the globe. With a Ph.D. from Emory University in social anthropology, his Egyptian heritage gives him particular insight into the cultural and religious entanglements of international affairs. □It is estimated that over 10 million viewers/listeners around the world are tuned in every week through an international Christian media ministry founded by Youssef, . It broadcasts via radio and television to over 200 countries and in over 20 languages. Follow Youssef, a common sense intellectual and

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# **Atheist Group Sees Backlash From Attack on War Memorial**

Seventy thousand Americans have spoken, but will the government listen?

The American Center for Law and Justice (ACLJ) is leading the charge to urge the National Forest Service to allow a Montana World War II memorial—a statue of Jesus—to stay in place, despite opposition from an atheist organization.

“This memorial has been a part of the history and heritage of that region for nearly 60 years. For the federal government to succumb to the intimidation tactics of an organization with a flawed view of the Constitution is disturbing and inappropriate,” says Jay Sekulow, chief counsel of the ACLJ.

“The law is clear: This statue does not create a constitutional crisis. The statue’s setting does not convey any government religious endorsement of religion. It is a historically important memorial designed to commemorate the sacrifice made by those killed in World War II.”

Inspired by mountaintop monuments they saw during the war in Europe, World War II veterans from the Knights of Columbus placed the Jesus statue on Montana’s Big Mountain at Whitefish Mountain Resort in the 1950s. The statue, they said, was meant to commemorate the service of local WWII veterans as a war memorial.

Now, the Freedom From Religion Foundation (FFRF)—an atheist group that has challenged the National Motto, the National Day of Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance—is challenging the display. Calling the war memorial “a ruse and a sham,” FFRF is urging the National Forest Service to end the Knights of Columbus’s long-standing lease, forcing the display to be removed. The government initially agreed with FFRF to end the lease, but when a massive public outcry ensued, the government put that decision on hold—reopening the issue to public comment.

In a letter sent on Thursday to the federal government on behalf of more than 70,000 concerned citizens, the ACLJ asked the National Forest Service to renew the lease, saying the display is an important historical memorial.

The ACLJ cites Supreme Court and appeals court precedent to argue that removal of the statue could actually convey disrespect for the brave soldiers it was meant to honor, sending a signal that the government is not neutral, but actually hostile, on matters of religion—something the Constitution specifically prohibits. Even the Montana Historical Society recognizes that the statue “has long been a part of the historic identity of the area” and remains “a local landmark,” making it “a historic part of the resort.”

Atheist groups are using similar intimidation tactics in cases being countered by the ACLJ, including an attempt to pressure the Marine Corps to take down a cross memorial at Camp Pendleton and the U.S. Army’s decision to remove a cross displayed outside a chapel at a military base in Afghanistan.