

WATCH: Scott Walker says, 'It's only by the blood of Jesus Christ that I've been Redeemed'

American politics is probably the world's leading cause of atheism. Watching the unedifying parade of liars and knaves begging, scheming, bartering, bribing, and badgering people for their votes has made people wonder: If this is what divinely appointed authority looks like, what would the devil do? But the first Republican primary debate in Cleveland on Thursday contained a few beautiful affirmations of God's miracle-working power, His presence in His Word, and the redemption He wrought for the world exclusively through Jesus Christ's sacrifice on the Cross. The answers after a Mr. Chase A. Norton asked the candidates through Facebook whether "any of them have received a word from God on what they should do and take care of first." Megyn Kelly asked Sen. Ted Cruz to respond first. The son of a pastor, he said, "Well, I am blessed to receive a word from God every day in receiving the Scriptures and reading the Scriptures. And God speaks through the Bible." He then talked about how God changed his father from a prodigal alcoholic who abandoned his family into a family man who came home, remarried his wife, and became a Christian evangelist. But the most eloquent testimony of the night came from Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker, another PK. (His father was a Baptist pastor.) Walker said:

I'm certainly an imperfect man. And it's only by the blood of Jesus Christ that I've been redeemed from my sins. So, I know that God doesn't call me to do a specific thing. God hasn't given me a list, a Ten Commandments, if you will, of things to act on the first day. What God calls us to do is follow His will. And ultimately, that's what I'm going to try to do.

And I hope people see it in my state, even in the big challenges I took on when I had over 100,000 protesters in and around our capital, trying to do what I thought was the right thing. It wasn't just how I took on those political battles. It was ultimately how I acted. Not responding in kind. Not lashing out. But just being decent going forward and living my life in a way that would be a testimony to him and our faith.

Between that and Dr. Ben Carson's strong defense of the tithe as a Biblical model of justice, the God of the Bible was glorified in the debate. At least, at times. The discussion about God's will for the nation beginning in January 2017 begins at 41:00 below. Scott Walker's response begins at :