

Will Scotland Elect an Evangelical First Minister?

The culture wars in countries across the world have shifted morality in directions formerly thought impossible. To hold onto biblically based morals and ethics is now considered “problematic” and “controversial.”

Now, as Scottish First Minister Nicola Sturgeon has announced her resignation, the opportunity for an evangelical Christian taking her place has become a reality.

As reported by the BBC, “Ms. Sturgeon insisted her resignation was not in response to the ‘latest period of pressure,’ which has included controversies over gender reforms, trans prisoners and the strategy on independence.”

“Since the very first moment in the job, I have believed that part of serving well would be to know, almost instinctively, when the time is right to make way for someone else,” Sturgeon said.

“And when that time came, to have the courage to do so, even if many across the country, and in my party, might feel it too soon.

“In my head and in my heart, I know that time is now. That it is right for me, for my party and for the country.

“And so today I am announcing my intention to step down as first minister and leader of my party.”

Scotland now has a chance to right the destructive progressive policies that have been passed under the leadership of Sturgeon.

As 32-year-old Kate Forbes is finding out, when an evangelical Christian announces they are running for a position of power

in government, the fiery darts of the enemy begins seeking them out.

The Christian Post reports that, “Kate Forbes, a member of the Scottish Parliament representing Skye, Lochaber and Badenoch, who also serves as the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Economy, launched a campaign to succeed Sturgeon Monday.”

Forbes holds to biblical values and morality, which the British media have used to paint her as unelectable and a problem.

While Forbes says she would not have voted for legalizing same-sex marriage had she been in government at the time it was voted on, she would uphold the law as it is written as First Minister.

Talking with the BBC, Forbes “went on to insist that as a ‘servant of democracy’ she would defend the legal right to gay marriage ‘to the hilt,’ even though she would have voted against the bill which codified that right had she been an MSP in 2014.”

By taking a stand against abortion and same-sex marriage, Forbes’ opponents, who look to remove faith from the public square, take up the now familiar kneejerk reaction to consider her ‘unelectable.’ Hostility toward people of faith in government has only increased in the last decade, such as the falsified claims made against U.S. Supreme Court Justice Brent Kavanaugh during his confirmation hearings.

Being guilty unless proven innocent has become the norm, and the media is more than willing to push false narratives without corroborating evidence.

Yet Christians do not have to sit on the sideline and allow principalities to dictate the direction of society.

Believers in the West can vote in public servants who hold

fast to biblical standards bringing forth periods of prosperity and honor to God.

It says in Proverbs 29:2, “When the righteous [a]re in authority, the people rejoice; But when a wicked man rules, the people groan.”

People are groaning about their hardships across the world. Times are difficult for many, even as the Lord provides for His followers. But it does not have to be this way.

Coming before the Lord with repentant hearts and putting faith into action, a new generation of righteous leaders can walk the halls of government and bring with them the blessing of God. {eoa}

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