

# What If Dr. Ben Carson Ran for President?

Johns Hopkins' Dr. Ben Carson is known around the world for his groundbreaking work as a pediatric neurosurgeon.

But he's become a sought-after speaker for conservatives after his headline-grabbing speech at the National Prayer Breakfast.

After proclaiming Jesus Christ as his role model, Carson applied biblical principles to America's policies on taxes, education, and health care reform—all while sitting just inches from the commander in chief.

"Here's my solution," he told the prayer breakfast audience. "When a person is born, give them a birth certificate, an electronic medical record and a health savings account to which money can be contributed pre-tax from the time you're born until the time you die."

"When you die, you can pass it on to your family members so that when you're 80 years old and you've got 10 diseases, you're not trying to spend up everything," he continued. "You're happy to pass it on and there's nobody talking about death panels."

Carson said he continually thinks about the problems facing the United States and believes political correctness is muzzling the American guarantee of free expression and speech.

"It puts a muzzle on them and at the same time keeps people from discussing important issues while the fabric of this society is being changed," he said.

Carson said it's a shame more doctors aren't involved in government, leaving some wondering if this successful neurosurgeon has future plans for political office.