

Why Politicians, Pundits and Press Hate Ted Cruz

Sen. Ted Cruz is now the front-runner in the Republican race for the White House.

But if you believe the mainstream media and the political pundits—Marco Rubio won the Iowa Caucus.

Just look at Tuesday's news coverage—they marginalized Sen. Cruz—and glorified Senator Rubio.

And that's the narrative. Cruz may have won—but Rubio is more electable. And yet ... the numbers in Iowa tell a very different story.

One out of three evangelical voters chose Cruz—so did four out of 10 very conservative voters.

And 26 percent of young voters—18 to 29—they didn't vote for Rubio; they too voted for Cruz.

The voters recognize a simple truth. Sen. Cruz has been a man of his word—a principled conservative—and that is something the establishment cannot tolerate.

“What we are seeing is evangelicals who have been dormant in the political process that are turning out,” said Tony Perkins, president of the Family Research Council. “It's something we haven't seen in a number of years.”

Perkins, who has endorsed Cruz, told me the voters are not interested in a moderate candidate. They don't want someone in the “middle.”

“There's nothing in the middle of the road but yellow stripes and dead animals,” Perkins said.

Looking back on the results in Iowa, Perkins said there should be one takeaway for voters.

“Do not listen to the pundits or the polls—but vote your values,” he said. “It was values voters and the return of those voters that put Ted Cruz over the top.”

It’s not that the pundits and politicians hate Sen. Cruz—they know he can’t be controlled—and that has them terrified.