

Christians Can Make a Difference on Super Tuesday

Many of you know I've endorsed Rick Santorum. To me he's  the only real conservative and the one who is right on the moral issues. A press release came to me earlier today and I've cut and pasted it below. I urge the tens of thousands who will get this to forward it to friends who live in states who will vote on Super Tuesday. This race is so close that Bible-believing Christians CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE and help Santorum get the momentum to win the nomination and then the general election.

Why have I endorsed Santorum? It's easy: Not only is he right on the issues, but he's someone I consider "squeaky clean." I was interviewed on the PBS program Religion & Ethics and they wanted to know why I didn't endorse the other candidates. For Mitt Romney I'm concerned about how he's flip-flopped. And I'm wary of the fact that he's Mormon (although that doesn't prevent me from voting for him—it only makes it more difficult). And with Newt Gingrich I'm concerned his many moral failures (which he says he has repented of and I don't doubt that's true) shows a deep character flaw. But Rick Santorum has a good record, projects the image of a leader and has strong Christian values.

My endorsement was widely circulated and the PBS program has a large following, but I doubt my support did much good. Santorum came in third in Florida. To me, I was mainly making a point that I wanted to back someone my friend Florida representative Scott Plakon says is “as clean as a Boy Scout.”

What a difference a month makes in politics. Since then Santorum has won several primaries and is now ahead in some polls. As I talk to other Christians, it’s as if a lot of people feel as I do—we want a leader with conservative values, voting records and strong moral values. The biggest difference is that people are beginning to believe he can win! And people are increasingly skeptical about Romney once they see where he stands on major moral issues, as noted below.

So if you are turned off to politics, don’t read any farther. But if you want to be part of a grass-roots movement, this blog is my attempt to use whatever influence I have to rally my readers to vote for Santorum, to influence your friends to support him, and to put your money where your mouth is and support him financially. But it’s mainly to influence you to vote on Super Tuesday if you live in a state with a primary, or to put this on Facebook or send it to your email list.

It's well known Romney has a money-machine backing him. Yet his place in the polls has stayed about the same as one contender after another has become the "not Mitt" candidate of choice. This is a very odd election and maybe Romney will emerge as the one who wins the Republican nomination. He certainly won my state's primary in a big way on Jan. 31.

But many Republicans are having second thoughts about Romney. This press release says it better than I can. Read it and judge for yourself.

OHIO ROBO CALLS HIT ROMNEY ON THE ISSUES

Columbus, OH (MMD Newswire) March 5, 2012 – One day before Ohio's delegate-rich GOP presidential primary election, Super Tuesday's biggest prize, national frontrunner Mitt Romney is getting hit hard on his gay rights record with millions of robo-calls, emails and videos. Aiming for Republicans as well as registered Democrats, who are free to cross over to vote in the GOP contest, an ecumenical group of Jews and Christians supporting Romney's rival, Rick Santorum, released the robo-call script this morning. It reads:

"Hi, my name is Brian Camenker; I'm a Jew from Massachusetts.

"And, this is Darcy Brandon; I'm a Christian from California. If you believe as we do that marriage and sexuality should only be between a

man and a woman,
please help us stop Mitt Romney.

“As Governor, Romney signed ‘Gay Youth Pride Day’ proclamations, promoted homosexuality in our elementary schools, and unconstitutionally ordered state officials to make Massachusetts America’s first same-sex marriage state. Romney supports open homosexuality in the military, the appointment of homosexual judges, and the ENDA law, making it illegal to fire a man who wears a dress and high heels to work, even if he’s your kid’s teacher. When you vote tomorrow, please vote for social sanity and Rick Santorum, NOT for homosexuality and Mitt Romney.

“Rick Santorum is the ONLY candidate who can be trusted to uphold traditional marriage, a straight military, and the rights of American children to have both a mother and a father. This message paid for by Jews and Christians and not authorized by any candidate. To get the facts before you vote, visit Jews and Christians .”

That website, urging Ohio voters to “get the shocking facts on Mitt Romney,” links to a page called “The Romney Files”. That page, identical to email content blasted to over a million Ohio residents on Sunday, documents Romney’s progressive record on gay issues, a record that may be problematic for the former Massachusetts governor in more conservative Super

Tuesday states like Ohio, Georgia and Tennessee. "The Romney Files", assembled by the Boston-based group Mass Resistance, show a gubernatorial proclamation Romney signed declaring "Gay Youth Pride Week"; a video comparison of RomneyCare to ObamaCare, two similar approaches to socialized medicine; a Planned Parenthood questionnaire Romney signed in favor of publicly-subsidized abortion, abortion drugs and contraceptives; and a claim that "Romney's wife Ann personally donated to Planned Parenthood!" That page links to a more in-depth "Mitt Romney Report" full of details that trouble GOP conservatives trying to select their presidential nominee.

Brian Camenker, president of Mass Resistance and compiler of much of that Romney research and one of the robo-call voices said, "Mitt Romney would be the most liberal Republican ever nominated for the Presidency. Romney is so far left, he spoke against the right of the Boy Scouts to screen-out homosexuals. Mitt Romney proved during the January 8 Meet the Press debate that he's still as far left on the gay agenda as always. He proudly announced, 'a member of my cabinet was gay. I appointed people to the bench regardless of their sexual orientation.' Asked when he last stood up and spoke out for increasing gay rights, Romney said 'Right now.'"

Dr. Gary Cass, president of and a member of Jews & Christians said, "We believe Rick Santorum is the only viable alternative to Romney. All Jews and Christians are aware that the Bible, from the Jewish Books of Moses to the Christian Gospels to the epistles of Saint Paul, commands God's faithful to love the sinner but hate the sin, and indeed to recognize homosexuality as sin. Romney, on the other hand, endorses homosexuality as a good choice for young people."

Cass said that he supports Santorum, the former Pennsylvania Senator, because last year Santorum signed The Marriage Vow, a political pledge document from Iowa also embraced by Texas Gov. Rick Perry and U.S. Rep. Michele Bachmann (R-MN) last year. That eventually earned Santorum a narrow victory in Iowa and the endorsement of conservative radio personality Dr. James Dobson and other evangelicals. Santorum, said Cass, "courageously put his name to some very bold, very Judeo-Christian, and extremely politically-incorrect statements about marriage and sexuality." Santorum's pro-marriage vow:

- Recognizes "the overwhelming statistical evidence that married people enjoy better health, better sex, longer lives, greater financial stability, and that children raised by a mother and a father together experience better learning, less addiction, less legal trouble, and less extramarital pregnancy;"
- Rejects "anti-scientific bias which holds, in complete

absence of empirical
proof, that non-heterosexual inclinations are genetically
determined,
irresistible and akin to innate traits like race, gender and
eye color;"

– Rejects "anti-scientific bias which holds, against all
empirical evidence,
that homosexual behavior in particular, and sexual promiscuity
in general,
optimizes individual or public health;"

– Contains a pledge of "Personal fidelity to my spouse" and
"Respect for the
marital bonds of others" which Gingrich, Cain, Romney and Ron
Paul declined to
sign, but which Bachmann and Perry joined Santorum in signing.

Cass, an ordained Presbyterian minister, said, "Rick Santorum
signed the Iowa

vow last summer while Romney was calling for more gay hiring."

Another link at

Jews & Christians connects to a voter guide from Family
Research Council that shows Romney in support of ENDA, the
proposed federal

Employment Non-Discrimination Act "that adds sexual
orientation as a protected

class." Camenker, the Jewish Romney opponent from
Massachusetts, said ENDA

"would forbid the firing of transvestite elementary school
teachers, open

bisexuals, and other bad examples to America's young people."