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ROBERTSON

Business/Media

"[Today] we find a society that is deeply torn. We find a society who has been given their concepts of morality, of life, of reality from Hollywood, from Madison Avenue. And those concepts are not always in keeping with the truth. They present a false picture...what we need to do it to have the Bible as the center of our policy."

Civil Rights Bill of 1984

"Now Ladies and Gentlemen, I want to give you something to pray for right now. Sometimes Congress lays on us burdens that are unwise in the name of a good cause. I am for the rights of minorities...100% for them...I think all of us who are of good will feel that way. But I am not for the massive intervention of bureaucracy that costs billions and billions of dollars and takes the money away from the poor that it was needed to help and ties us up into needless regulations that do not accomplish anything and brings an intrusion of federal rules into religious organizations that don't need them...An act has been brought through very hastily, rushed through the House of Representatives...it is ill conceived, ill advised and will be the largest intrusion of federal power into personal freedom...that's been passed in the last twenty years. And it's done in the measure of civil rights...We'd like you to pray about the Civil Rights Act of 1984...instead of being deliberate and careful, it's being rushed to passage."

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ROBERTSON

Education

"In its comprehensive study of education in America, the National Commission on Excellence in Education concluded that if an unfriendly foreign power tried to impose the mediocre education that exists in America we would consider it an act of war."

Bible in School

"This summer the National Endowment for the Humanities released its list of the ten most important books that every high school student should read...number four on their list of indispensable reading - the Bible. That's what The Book is all about -- to get a base for common experience. It isn't perhaps that we should take up the Catholic's view on birth control or the fundamentalist view of anti-monkey trials...We're not talking about going back in history a couple of hundred years to

repressed people's thinking, but what there has to be is a common basis around which we can gather as a nation and if we don't teach our children common values that have a Biblical basis, our society is in desperate trouble."

"There's been an attempt to take the Bible out of public schools over and over again to suppress the common religious heritage we need...but...there are people right now who are taking action in their commitment to excellence within American schools."

CLIP OF TIM LAHAYE

"The NEA has organized and run its members for local school boards until we have educators supervising educators -- and the parents are just expected to pay their taxes and have no voice in education."

CLIP OF MARY FUTRELL

"If parents have lost control, they have abrogated that control voluntarily. They have not gone to the schools, they have not gone to the school board meetings...they have not bothered to go to the elections."

CLIP OF MICHAEL FARRIS

"Students have been taught relativistic morals which is one of the aspects of humanism. There's been a corresponding decline in the quality of education. One of the things humanism breeds is a lack of desire for excellence...the process is not educating the children, but socializing them."

ROBERTSON

"I have met people...whose lives were changed toward homosexuality because of some kind of thrust toward them by some teacher."

He showed some of the articles (in the Interracial Books for Children magazine) like "Countering Homophobia -- a Lesson Plan."

"This is a plan not to be tolerant, but to indoctrinate people into the values...of this particular lifestyle, and it's being recommended by the NEA."

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Defeat of the Civil Rights Bill

ORRIN HATCH

"This bill was written in such a way that it would have intruded the federal government into the lives of everybody in America...it would have never been allowed in the past...if it

had been a pure civil rights bill there is no way anyone could have defeated it...it was a grab for power..." He then thanked Robertson and said, "we felt your prayers."

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ROBERTSON

Church/State Separation

"There is nothing in the U.S. Constitution that sanctifies the separation of church and state."

"Of course moral values and religious beliefs have been involved in public policy all through the foundation and early history of our nation...But in the last few years...the evangelical Christians have withdrawn from the arena and have given over the job of education...[and] feeding the poor and the needy...They've given those things over to the government, and now the liberal churches cry for more federal intervention...The NCC...who would be considered theologically liberal are wanting more government intervention. And it's impossible to say, take the government away from our church, which is what most Christian people want, and at the same time say we must let the government take care of the mentally handicapped, of those who are poor and needy...We can't give all of that plus the moral order of the family and the protection of battered wives and children...to the state and expect the state to stay out of our lives."

"We're asking for Godly people to be in office. We're praying, particularly in this election you want men of God in various levels of life...men and women who love God, who believe in the Bible, who have a principle, who are men and women of integrity and honesty and decency. These are the kind of people we want in office."

"We could have 30, 40, 50 million people come to Jesus Christ ...that is going to have profound ramification on the way we do things...it'll change the patterns of what we buy and what we do...they'll have tremendous social implications and it will have political implications of major importance because people will not longer put up with certain sorts of legislation which is contrary to what God Almighty is telling them. They won't allow it anymore."

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ROBERTSON

School Prayer

"Ladies and gentlemen, schools are back in session...once that

happens, the ACLU and their cohorts get back into the business of taking religion out of schools and depriving our students of time honored religious practices. And it has a tendency to make people just a little bit upset as the gradual erosion of their freedom takes place in the name of civil liberties and constitutional law. Well, you ask yourself, can a child receive a proper education if attention is given to academics alone and there are no moral or ethical training in his or her schedule? That's a question that's being asked by many now as attempts in a number of states are underway to remove the moral teachings of the Bible from elementary school yet at the same time putting in somebody else's morality from some other source."

A story on a Kentucky school ordered to halt the teaching of Bible stories in an elementary school classroom followed.

"Is America going to allow the 4 percent of people who claim to be atheists to strip away the theocratic, theistic beliefs of the 96 percent of people who are believers?...No society can make its public policy hostage to the will of non-believers and allow a few courts and a few judges to twist the will of the majority."

700 CLUB 10-23-84

ROBERTSON
Abortion

"Here's a portion of a film, it's called 'Conceived in Liberty.'"

He proceeded to show this, announcing that this was the first time an abortion had ever been filmed and aired on television. The excerpt chosen for broadcast showed an eleven week old fetus being injected with saline solution as well as one "being ripped out of the uterus."

"Can you imagine anything as horrible as that? We do that to 1.6 million...sticking pins and needles in them in the most sensitive places until they die. Can you imagine anything as inhumane ...That's what we're allowing in our society...but it's murder. That's a fully formed child."

"There's no question when the learned jurors meet to make their decisions that there is incontrovertible medical evidence of what goes on now."

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ROBERTSON

Abortion

"There's this incredible bias against anything that would restrict abortion. It comes down primarily from legal figures and that's just one more example of it."

First Anniversary of Grenada Invasion

ROBERTSON

"[Today is the first anniversary of] the deliverance of the people of Grenada from Communist Grenada."

BEN KINCHLOW

"There's a lot of stuff that didn't come out that took place down there including some things that you were privy to..."

ROBERTSON

"I was in a meeting...a semi-confidential briefing by top National Security Council members. Apparently this has not been in the press that I know of. Maurice Bishop who was a Marxist prime minister of Grenada attempted to make contact with the Reagan Administration and did so. He said, 'Essentially, I don't like Castro and I want to move away from Castro and I want to come into the orbit of the United States' and of course they began a dialogue with him about a peaceful solution. He went back to his country and Castro and his people apparently had him assassinated and installed in his place a radical Marxist who then made just mincemeat of the people. They were shooting people down...it was utter chaos...and so when president Reagan went in it was a brilliantly executed military move, but it was necessary to protect the lives of the Americans and to keep the whole population from being slaughtered by an outside dominated force who had assassinated the elected prime minister of the country...I don't know why the papers in the U.S. and the 'liberal press' cannot understand that Communism has never been voted into any country in the world except Chile...it's always brought in by superior military force, imposed on a population from outside. Why they resist the thought that we could come in to liberate a population is just appalling to me."

OLD TIME GOSPEL HOUR 10-14-84

FALWELL

National Day of Fasting

"[We pray] that God will at the school board level, the city council level, state legislature, Congress, the President, God will give us the men and the women he would have to lead us during these next crucial years of this republic."

Religion and Politics

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"The liberals yelling bloody murder about this violation of some alleged principle of church and state...but when I hear the bleeding about these conservative ministers like Jerry Falwell, conservative Catholic priests like Archbishop O'Connor...talking about abortion being the murder of the unborn and challenging American people to think long and hard about voting for persons who are for free choice, they yell and scream. But listen, God's preachers have always been in the forefront and Charles Finney, a fundamentalist preacher, was God's instrument for breaking the back of slavery in this country..."

America in Crisis

"Is America in crisis today? Let's look at the problems. First of all we have the potentials of a nuclear holocaust...the potential of economic collapse."

Central America

"When you look at what's happening in Central America -- the Soviet Cuban expansionism there. Led by the Kremlin's surrogate in our hemisphere, Fidel Castro. Nicaragua is gone. Cuba's gone. El Salvador tottering. And you think of what that means for our children in the next generation. We could be an island here. Literally surrounded by Marxist Leninism...it would...portend slavery for our children."

OLD TIME GOSPEL HOUR - OCTOBER 21, 1984

Jerry Falwell opened this broadcast saying that he wished to hand out some "bouquets of roses and bouquets of onions" to certain individuals and groups. First on the list of onion recipients was, of course, Norman Lear.

Attack
on
Norman
Lear

"First of all, a bouquet of onions for Norman Lear. The same Norman Lear who brought you Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman. Who many Americans feel and that in other programs he's produced are loaded with gratuitous sex and anti-family principles. He has now announced a one million dollar TV spot campaign up until election day. During those TV spots and I've seen one of them -- it's a vicious attack against Christian broadcasters like myself and Charles Stanley and Jim Kennedy and Billy Graham, you name it. Broadcasters who have been preaching the Gospel on television. He seems to have an anti-Christian bias. I'm not sure that's true. A rabbi who is rather close to Norman Lear said he may indeed have an anti-Christian bias. It would appear that he does. But the purpose of the television spots is, number one, to attack Christian broadcasters, but, number two, very clear to me, it's to attack Ronald Reagan. And the long and the short of it, of course, is he doesn't like Mr. Reagan. There are letters back and forth that are public knowledge. Harper's magazine carried them, in which he called the President everything but a gentleman. And you say, 'why do you think he's not for the President?' The man who runs People for the American Way for him, Anthony Podesta is also doing work for Geraldine Ferraro so it's very doubtful -- well, you figure it out. Anyway, one bouquet of onions for Mr. Norman Lear as he continues his anti-Christian, anti-Reagan work. Which is his right, of course, and it's my right to give him some onions."

Bob
Guccione

Other bouquets of onions went to Bob Guccione "for proving how tasteless pornographers can be" and Planned Parenthood. "For the third year in a row! They've set the record! Performing more abortions in this country than anyone else."

A bouquet of roses went to Time, Newsweek and U.S. News and World Report because "they have given an unbiased, balanced perspective on the abortion issue and on the church/state, religion/politics issue, even allowing me to write articles for those magazines without editing them."

Churches
Involved
in
Politics

Falwell talked about the biblical perspective on church state relations which was nothing more than a reiteration of past sermons. (The moral decline of our nation, the church has to "wake up, more people coming to Jesus, we need revival, etc.) He continually commented that the church has to get more involved in "the process." "Most of our people were not even registered to vote ten years ago. And five years ago, we had to convince many of our people that it wasn't a sin to vote. This year we have 102,000 churches registering voters in the lobbies of their sanctuaries. Things are changing and a sleeping giant that began to open its eyes in 1980 is standing up tall in 1984 and will not sit down again."

Groups
Against
the Right

Falwell ended by talking about the men who opposed Nehemiah in the Bible. "[These men] today are the ACLU, People for the American Way, Norman Lear, NEA, NARAL, NOW, World Council of Churches, Planned Parenthood, the abortionists, the
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pornographers, the liberal politicians. Those are the persons who are against what we're doing and the liberal clergymen are cursing us for doing it."

FALWELL

How Satan Hinders the Work of God

"Satan hinders the work of God often by raising philosophical opposition. And don't think for a moment there isn't philosophical opposition to what we're doing and preaching here..."

The ACLU as an Opponent

"Do we have opponents? Of course we do! The American Civil Liberties Union fought us every step of the way. We just won the right here at Liberty Baptist College to philosophically present our point of view, our belief in biblical creation. The ACLU fought us all the way, but the state board of education to their credit, voted in favor of this institution's right to do that. We would have done it anyhow, but they gave us the right to do it because this is America. And you know what happened? The ACLU's having a hernia over it. The press called me Friday and said we just talked to Judy Goldberg of the ACLU and she said 'that's circumvention' and she was really upset about things. I said, 'Listen,...the ACLU will be happy when we pronounce God as dead and conduct his funeral.' We don't plan to do that and so we thank God that we do have opponents."

People For the American Way and Norman Lear

"The National Organization for Women...they're having ah heyday with us. People for the American Way. That's Norman Lear's group. You know Mr. Lear claims he's against us. He's putting a lot of ads all over America attacking gospel preachers and television preachers. He doesn't have any problem with us. He knows very well he's not going to put us out of business. Long after the people have forgotten his name, our kind will still be preaching the Gospel and he knows that. What is he really up to? He doesn't like Ronald Reagan. He has Reagan on the platform right behind gospel preachers to leave the impression that he's trying to create a theocracy-ism. Ridiculous. Everybody knows it and it's time Lear knew we know it. National Education Association -- on these groups go."

Ridicule and False Accusations

"Satan hinders the work of God through ridicule and false accusations...in some sitcoms they have a minister on. He's always some idiot...You'll never, never, never see the national media giving respect to those who represent the Lord. There's always ridicule."

"And you think of those false accusations. 'These Christians are trying to take over the country!' 'Christianize America!' That's what Lear says we're trying to do. We're trying to evangelize the world, but you can't make people believe."

Opposition

"Chapter 2, he [Nehemiah] needed political help. He went to the king -- long faced, sad and that wicked king said, 'what are you so sad about, Nehemiah?' He said, 'why shouldn't I be sad? My city is ruined. My people are humiliated.' You know what the wicked kind said? 'Why don't you do something about it?' Notice verse ten. He arrived at the city and as soon as he arrived -- opposition. There was Sanballat, Tobiah... opposition. why was the opposition upset? Because somebody had come to help the children! To seek the welfare of the children! To stop the abortions! That's why the ACLU is upset. Our Sanballats, Tobiahs, and Gessups today are the ACLU, **People For the American Wary, Norman Lear**, NARAL, NOW, the World Council of Churches, Planned Parenthood, the abortionists, the pornographers, the liberal politicians. Those are the persons who are against what we're doing and the liberal clergymen are cursing us for doing it. Why? Because somebody now has come to seek the welfare of the children. That isn't legislating morality'; that is responsible and sincere recovery of a nation."

JIMMY SWAGGART MINISTRIES 10-7-84

SWAGGART

"America's Greatest Sin"

"America is falling...when America ceases to be good, America will cease to be great...countless times I have gotten up at night..and have asked God that I not have to speak these words anymore, but I have to."

"This nation's greatest sin. We think of many perversions that I will elaborate on tonight. That is a result of America's great sin, not the cause of it. Homosexuality, abortion, the terrible divorce rate...V.D....Satanism, witchcraft, every type of filth that one can imagine that would almost make Sodom and Gomorrah blush. But these are but symptoms...of a far greater disease."

America Ignoring Sin

"America's great sin tonight is the sin of ignoring God as if though he does not exist. Our nation is now conducting herself in a fashion as if thought there is no creator...Europe has already passed that place. Europe today is a continent without a soul...America because of secular diabolical humanism that is becoming the religion of this country is fastly following in the same footsteps -- a country without a soul."

Science Without God

"The Tower of Babel...It is repeating itself today. The God of the United States of America has become the God of Science...President Reagan said just the other day he challenged the scientists to perfect weaponry that would carry us beyond the pale of bursting thermal nuclear weapons but would be fought in

outer space...no nation would dare attack...some of the scientists said 'we are equal to the attack.' But the situation is far more sinister than that -- diabolical. For science without God always becomes perverted."

Cloning

"Tonight scientists are feverishly working on the genetic system of cloning...They cloud all this with a personality of doing good...We can control the world by creating a superhuman race of a superhuman species. They are ignoring God."

Genetic Engineering

"Genetic engineering has already started in this country -- endeavors to program certain attributes in babies...while one and a half to two million babies are aborted from mothers' wombs, doctors are working feverishly to create test-tube babies...a strange, odd phenomenon."

"Hollywood's King Kong may be closer to reality than we think if genetic engineers are allowed to follow their present course...It is now within the reach of genetic scientists to [devise a number of] nightmarish creatures that once could only have been dreamed up by space fiction writers that could soon be in our backyard."

Education

"The educational system of the United States of America has by and large totally forsaken God. In our public school system, the children are taught everything but God. They're coming out of the schools unable to read, write or think. They're taught a diet of secular humanism. Secular humanism...means that God is no longer concerned or considered...Live, die, eat, drink and be merry because when you die there is nothing less. Basically that's it for secular humanists."

"Our institutions, our universities are riddled with professors who are socialistic or communistic in their thinking or atheistic that are turning out a generation of young men and women that scoff at the word of God...that is our educational system in these United States. A system that was once founded on the word of God."

Prayer in Schools

"I was in Washington when the vote was taken respecting prayer again in our public school system. I sat in the Senate gallery and I watched senator after senator vote. I watched scores of them say 'No!'...The man that led the floor fight against prayer in the public schools state. 'We have the Bible on one hand and the Constitution on the other. I don't care about the Bible. I am for the Constitution.' I want to serve notice on that Senator. One day when he stands before God it will not be the Constitution that will be open, it will be the Bible..."

Church/State Separation

"We talked about the separation of church and state. But that's a ploy, that's a coverup. I am for the separation of a church and state...but those that be are using it not as the separation of church and state. They're using it as the separation of God and state. And when you take God Almighty out of the affairs of this republic, you have nothing left."

Media

"Entertainment today has become so dirty, so rib-lad, so filthy, so wicked, so obscene in this nation...The movie business is so corrupt that they blaspheme God almost every time they open their mouths."

"The news media, I honestly believe and think, would rejoice if all Central Americans were Communists. The news media...has totally forsaken God, totally forsaken the Bible. What they write is written with a bias to try to sway the truth. They don't know what the truth is."

Behavioral Sciences

"The behavioral sciences in this nation. Psychology, sociology, psychiatry...taught in our universities...is the biggest rip off that this nation and its public has ever known. Having absolutely no success whatsoever...Some sociologists are saying today that all the jails and prisons ought to be opened and let all the prisoners out because these people are really not responsible for what they have done...Nowadays we are faced with what we call Christian humanism. This diabolical lie taught in our universities, given to our preachers as they take psychology courses. Then they come into our church and they spout this stuff from the pulpit."

JIMMY SWAGGART MINISTRIES 10-14-84

SWAGGART

Pornography

"The nation has become and is becoming a veritable sewer of pornography...pornography is perversion and makes sex a dirty...Television has become one of the biggest purveyors of pornography...Music is as pornographic with its lyrics, as blatant and suggestive, more than suggestive - blatant - filth..."

Sex Education

"Phyllis [Schlafly] said this: 'Them major goal of nearly all sex education curricula is to teach children and teenagers how to enjoy fornication without having a baby and without feeling guilty.'" The source for this was Christian inquiries, August, 1983.

DR. D. JAMES KENNEDY 10-7-84

KENNEDY

Loss of Religious Freedom in America

Kennedy elaborated on some of the cases currently being debated in courts across the nation in which Christians have been "persecuted" (i.e., the IRS demanding to see all the financial records and the pastors refusing.)

Humanism

"What we are faced with in our nation today are two totally opposing world and life views. We have the historic traditional Christian theistic world and life view. And on the other hand, have the materialistic, atheistic, world and life view of humanism. And they are totally antithetical at every point. These two views are struggling for the soul of America."

"Humanism is absolutely an aggressive and totalitarian concept ...it is determined to remove every vestige of Christianity from the public life of this nation."

The Word of God

"The founding fathers knew that the Word of God had something to say about every phase of life. It was a Christian doctrine of man that separated the powers of government. And all of those checks and balances which are now being destroyed were based upon Christian concepts."

DR. D. JAMES KENNEDY 10-14-84

KENNEDY

Presidential Biblical Scoreboard

Kennedy aired a spot on the 1984 campaign which proclaimed, "The media coverage has resulted in even more confusion about where these candidates really stand on vital Christian issues... The Presidential Biblical Scoreboard cuts through the campaign rhetoric...Together, through the election process, we can put Christian values back in the forefront of American government."

Religion/Politics

"John Witherspoon, that great Presbyterian clergyman who signed the Declaration of Independence would have found it quite strange that ministers were to have nothing to do with the political life of America."

Secular Humanism

"There is a religion which is dangerous in the extreme to the American way of life. I am speaking of the religion of secular humanism, a most dangerous religion, indeed."

"What is Secular Humanism?...Many of their official teachings are the very antithesis of humaneness...it is entirely this worldly. It denies any concept of immortality...The whole thrust of humanism is to dethrone God and deify man."

"The philosopher to which we could trace the origins of Secular Humanism would be the great Greek philosopher Protagorus, whose Maxim is...'man is the measure of all things.'...I turned on the tv set...and there was a talk show in which there was a male and female host and hostess...The host asked his compatriot this question: 'Do you believe that it is all right for a man and a woman to live together before marriage?'...She said, 'I think that it's okay.' I doubt that of the millions of people that watch that program, that there were more than two or three who said to themselves, 'Protagorus.'"

Secular Humanism as a Religion

"Is this Secular Humanism really a religion?...There have been two Humanist Manifestos...The dictionary defines it [religion] as 'any system of beliefs, practical values, such a humanism as a religion.'...The Supreme Court of the United States...in 1961...entitled Tarcaso vs. Watkins declared that 'Among religions in this country which do not teach what generally would be considered as belief in the existence of God are...secular humanism...'"

Legislating Morality

"[Their] entire immoral agenda is replacing the God given morality of the Bible as the foundation for the enactment of legislation. The legislation of this country for two hundred years was based on the morality of the Scriptures. The idea that you can't legislate morality is an absurdity...if you can't legislate morality what can you legislate?"

Communism

"Communism is nothing other than humanism in political garb. Humanism, which is being taught from kindergarten through graduate schools in all of the public schools of this country is nothing other than Communism waiting to be crowned with its political rights."

Secular Humanism in Schools

"What can be done?...We need...to convert people to Jesus Christ. We need court action. It is incongruous to me that the same Supreme Court which could forbid the teaching of any single aspect of the Christian religion in our schools, allows the entire curricula of secular humanism to be blatantly taught everywhere in the land."

"I trust that the day is soon coming when there will be someone who'll be willing to take the fight all the way to the Supreme Court and to throw this godless, atheistic, evolutionary, amoral

collectivist, socialist, communistic religion right out of the public system of our nation."

Senator John East

The broadcast ended with another advertisement for the Presidential Biblical Scoreboard in which Senator John East appeared talking about the need for Americans to get a better understanding between politics and religion. Gary Jarmin of Christian Voice appeared to comment on the scoreboard.

GARY JARMIN

"What we want to do through the Presidential Biblical Scoreboard is present, in a very comprehensive way, thoroughly, effectively, objectively, I believe, scripturally, awareness of exactly where the candidates stand...The Presidential Scoreboard is not a judgment on any way implied that this document is trying to say that this man is good or bad or spiritual or unspiritual. All it is simply saying is: here are the black and white facts on how they vote...you -- and we present both positions -- the informed reader will make up your own mind."

JOHN EAST

"There is clearly a relationship between one's moral, ethical and personal values, his personal conduct and certainly must be in terms of his stand on compelling high level moral and ethical policy questions of our time."

DR. D JAMES KENNEDY 10-21-84

This broadcast was an hour long semi-documentary called "Year of Decision -- Year of Destiny." The show was divided into different subject areas with Kennedy commenting between each segment.

"The Dream of Liberty"

This segment stressed that America is the "land of the free" citizens should not take their freedom for granted; and voting is a privilege in a free society. Clips of people voting in El Salvador were then shown.

KENNEDY

"Liberty is most precious. God forgive us for taking it for granted."

"One Man -- One Vote"

This segment advertised how important one vote can be in an election. The Presidential Biblical Scoreboard advertisement was broadcast. Kennedy talked about a woman running for City Council who felt that it was not her experience in government that was being publicized, but the fact that she happened to be "pro-life" was the main issue in the campaign.

KENNEDY

"Perhaps what we as Christians most often neglect to do is to investigate not only what the candidates say, but also how they vote."

Religion and Politics

"Each and every government that has ever existed on this planet has been based upon some theistic or anti-theistic foundation ...All legislation is based upon morality. There is a myth that says you can't legislate morality. My friends, nothing could be further from the truth. If you can't legislate morality, pray tell what do you legislate? The truth is you can't legislate anything but morality. We have laws against stealing because it's immoral to steal...The question is not whether or not you can legislate morality, but whose morality is going to be enacted into legislation. For 200 years, it has been the Judeo-Christian morality found in the Scripture that has been the foundation for our legislation. But in recent decades there has been an attempt to replace that foundation with the atheist foundation of secular humanism with their so-called 'moral agenda.'"

"Every legislative act that has ever been passed imposed somebody's moral views upon the country. Is it going to be God's moral views as expressed in the Scriptures or is it going to be the atheistic humanistic so-called 'new morality' that we find so prevalent in our country today?"

"Our religious convictions and our moral views ultimately determine how we will vote in the Congress or anywhere else."

DON NICKLES, Senator from Oklahoma

"As Christians we do have a right to get involved, to make a change...we have declined morally just about as far as the country could decline."

PAUL WEYRICH

"The Christian community is beginning to wake up but not nearly enough because the Christians have incredible power compared to what they are using. In fact, if every Christian in America were to become informed and were to go out and vote Christian conscience in the electoral process, we would have a dramatic change in the kind of representation we have in Washington..."

MEMO

TO: INTERESTED STAFF

FROM: CINDY

RE: RECENT TELEVISION APPEARANCES BY THE FUNDAMENTALISTS

DATE: OCTOBER 30, 1984

On October 29th, NBC Nightly News ran a special report on religion and politics in the 1984 presidential campaign in which various fundamentalists appeared. John Buchanan also appeared and talked about the rise of "moral McCarthyism" and the Presidential Biblical Scoreboard. Kenley Jones reported that the fundamentalists have met their goal of registering 2 million voters this year. A film clip of Jimmy Swaggart was included in the spot in which he said, "When you take God Almighty out of the affairs of this republic, you have nothing left."

There was also a shot of Falwell at the Baptist Fundamentalism Rally, '84 with Reagan standing beside him and film clips of Falwell, Swaggart and Robison appearing before the Republican Platform Committee. This included Falwell saying, "All you gotta do is change your platform and become an echo to the Democrats and you'll find yourself out of office in a hurry." There was also a clip of Falwell at the Family Forum press conference saying, "If they [the Republican Platform Committee] had allowed us to write it, we'd have difficulty improving on it."

John Buchanan appeared and talked about the Presidential Biblical Scoreboard and "Moral McCarthyism." The piece ended with Falwell speaking to the University of Virginia Law School on October 2nd -- a speech which ended with Falwell saying "Vote for Reagan!"

On October 24th, John Buchanan, Greg Dixon, Marc Tannenbaum, and Father Hehir appeared on the Today show to discuss religion and politics. The discussion was pre-taped and ran about ten minutes. During this, Greg Dixon said, "I would say creating a welfare state is immoral. You take social security. You say it's not immoral. I think it's immoral. Number one, I think it's wrong to tell the American people that there are trust funds when there are no trust funds. I think it's wrong to tell them it's an insurance program when it isn't an insurance program." He also added: "I believe the free enterprise system is not perfect, but I believe it is the most moral system." Bryant Gumbel commented afterward that he couldn't believe some of the "simplistic ideas" he heard from Greg Dixon and that he had never heard social security called "immoral."

Rev. Falwell has recently produced a half-hour show entitled, "A Time For Anger," which has been airing around various parts of the country. The title comes from a new book by Franky Schaeffer entitled, A Time For Anger: The Myth of Neutrality which Falwell promotes during the program

and offers to viewers at no charge. The whole program deals mainly with the abortion issue and homosexuality and touches on the school prayer controversy. Falwell congratulates "those courageous bishops who have been speaking out on the rights of the unborn, taking terrific heat from liberal politicians for so doing." He continued, "I think I know something of the heat the bishops are taking. There are television ads running across the country in the last thirty days portraying me as a bigot and one who's against rights for women. Untrue, of course." (Falwell was speaking of the Mondale campaign ads that show someone holding a list of things Falwell wants to accomplish in the next four years, i.e., outlawing abortions in all cases, eliminating equal rights for women, etc.)

Falwell summed up the abortion issue by saying, "I do believe it's a constitutional issue -- the civil rights of the unborn. My commendation to those bishops who are courageously saying what needs to be said." "We're not bigots; we just happen to love little babies."

Falwell then discussed homosexuality and talked about loving the sinner but hating the sin. "I believe homosexuality is moral perversion." "I try to spiritually reach out to people who have gone into perverted lifestyles...telling them what you're doing is wrong."

He then showed film clips of San Francisco during the convention in which he "encountered wrath from militant homosexuals." One man was shown on the screen shouting at Falwell and underneath this image the words, "oral majority spokesman" appeared. Falwell then said, "we must not capitulate to their demands for things that will hurt the rest of society" and "these are representative of people who want to teach people that homosexuality is an acceptable lifestyle." Homosexuals, he continued, "are not content with flaunting their own immoral lifestyle, [but] San Francisco homosexuals also engage in blasphemy."

He then appealed to the audience to send for the Moral Majority Report newspaper and said:

"Have you ever wondered why People for the American Way was formed by Norman Lear and some others? Did you ever watch one of Norman Lear's ads for People for the American Way attacking preachers like Jerry Falwell and wonder why is he mad at the preachers? Why is he angry at television preachers? Oh, he would tell you it's because he wants to defend First Amendment rights. But in this newspaper, we tell you what he's really up to."

Falwell then talked about the school prayer amendment and various other "moral issues." Some sample quotes:

"The Supreme Court got that [First Amendment] all muddled and they thought the founding fathers meant separation of God and state. That we should not have any religious heritage in this America. That we should have a religion of secular humanism. God was expelled from our public schools."

"We are trying to get the American people sensitive to moral values again. To the family. To strong national defense as the best deterrent to war. To what is happening in Central America. We don't want that our children would wake up one day in the next generation on an island of freedom, surrounded by Marxist-Leninism. Cuban-Soviet expansionism threatens that south of the border...to be sensitive to our unswerving support of Israel..."

God deals with nations in relation to how nations deal with the Jews."

"I do not believe the framers of the First Amendment believe that pornography should be a part of that protection..."

"We're not talking about censorship. I'm against bookburning. I'm against censorship."

"Louis Harris says the Moral Majority has mobilized 20% of the electorate."