## Me in a nutshell

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Tuesday, May 3, was my 64th birthday. Accordingly, it is time for my annual "Personal" column. I think it only fair that readers should have an opportunity to learn a little something about the person who writes the words they read. Today's column is designed with that goal in mind. And since Charley Reese (one of my favorite columnists) stopped writing, I am the only national columnist that does this, as far as I know. So, here goes.

I was born and raised in a small town in northern Indiana. My father and mother were dedicated Christians. Dad was a welder by trade and a member of the Teamsters Union (I still have his pin). He was also a lay jailhouse preacher and prison chaplain. The Lord delivered him from a terrible life of alcoholism, and the story of his deliverance is nothing short of miraculous.

Readers should know that I will send a CD of my father's life story, free of charge, to anyone who requests it. If you or someone you know struggles with alcohol or drug addiction, I urge you to obtain a copy of this remarkable story. Click here.

I am the husband of one (for almost 43 years), the father of three, and the grandfather of nine. I have been a pastor for almost 41 years, and for over five years now, I have been the pastor of Liberty Fellowship in Kalispell, Montana, which is an independent, unorganized, unaffiliated, non-501c3 fellowship. I am also an author, radio talk show host, and writer of this national column.

As far as I know, I am in good health. And, somehow, I've been able to keep my hair. Not that that means a whole lot. I had a college professor that often quoted this little rhyme:

"To every man God is fair. To some He gave brains. To others He gave hair."

After all of these years, I forgot most of what that professor taught, but I still remember that little limerick.

I campaigned for Congressman Ron Paul in the 2008 Republican presidential primaries. After it was obvious that he would not be the Republican nominee, Constitution Party (CP) leaders and many Ron Paul supporters strongly encouraged me to seek the CP's presidential nomination. They believed that someone was needed to keep the liberty message alive in the 2008 general election, because it was clear that neither Barack Obama nor John McCain would do so. After defeating former UN Ambassador Alan Keyes in the CP nominating convention, I became the party's nominee for President. And I was very honored to have received Ron Paul's endorsement during that campaign.

Regarding the condition of the Church in America, it is my studied opinion that both the 501c3 tax-exempt status and State nonprofit corporation status have, in effect, castrated America's pastors and churches to the point that most churches are spiritually impotent and irrelevant to the preservation of liberty in our country. Instead of preaching the liberating Gospel of Christ and the empowering message of Christian nonconformity, they are preaching an enslaving message of bondage via to the state their preoccupation with the misinterpretation of Romans 13.

My constitutional attorney son and I co-authored a book on this subject that I encourage everyone to read. The book is entitled "Romans 13: The True Meaning of Submission." This book shows the teaching of the entire Bible (including Romans 13) regarding proper submission to authority—including when submission to authority is actually sinful and wrong.

To order our book on Romans 13, click here.

My personal philosophy regarding sociopolitical issues is quite simple: I believe abortion is America's national holocaust. If the blood of murdered Abel cried out to God from the ground, imagine how the blood of over 50 million innocent unborn babies is crying out to God.

I believe marriage is, by definition, only between a man and a woman. I further believe that the State has absolutely no business sanctioning or licensing marriage. All of the civil court rulings in the country cannot redefine marriage. The current civil corruption of marriage should serve notice to all pastors, churches, and Christian people to divorce their marriage ceremonies from State licensure.

I believe the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights to be the greatest documents of freedom ever produced by man. I believe the federal government is bound to submit to the limited duties prescribed to it by the U.S. Constitution. (The fact that it doesn't is a major source of our problems.) I believe America's Founding Fathers and the patriots of their generation were the greatest champions of liberty to ever live.

I believe in the right of the people to keep and bear arms. I further believe this is a God-ordained duty and should not be subject to State licensure. The Second Amendment does not grant us the right to keep and bear arms; it merely protects the duty to keep and bear arms that was given to us by our Creator.

My son and I also co-authored a book on the Biblical teaching of self-defense and the right to keep and bear arms. The book is entitled "To Keep or Not To Keep: Why Christians Should Not Give Up Their Guns." This book looks at the entire body of

Scripture and shows that nowhere in God's Word are believers instructed to surrender their arms—no matter what the laws of civil government might dictate. We show in the book that self-defense is a Natural right and a Biblical duty.

To order our book on why Christians should never surrender their arms, click here.

I believe there is a conspiracy (Dr. Alan Keyes often said that It's not a conspiracy if they really are trying to get you) of powerful elitists to surrender America's independence and national sovereignty to a globalist New World Order. I believe the Council on Foreign Relations, Trilateral Commission, and Bilderbergs are especially culpable in this evil subterfuge of our liberties.

I believe that the national news media purposely keeps the American people in the dark about the truth of what is really going on. I believe the media deliberately helped the government cover up the events of 9/11, Waco, Ruby Ridge, TWA Flight 800, the Oklahoma City bombing, the Sandy Hook school shootings, etc., ad infinitum. Heck, I believe the media helped the government cover up what really happened in Dallas, Texas, on November 22, 1963, when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated. For all intents and purposes, the national news media is little more than a propaganda ministry of the federal government. No wonder Barack Obama thanked the major media for working "side by side" with him for the last eight years at the White House Correspondents' Dinner earlier this week.

I further believe that the conscious and determined effort by both Republican and Democrat presidential administrations to not enforce our immigration laws and to provide amnesty (not to mention billions in federal tax dollars) to millions of illegal aliens is nothing more than an attempt to pave the way for the creation of an EU-type regional government in North America (among other things).

I am also convinced that there is a deliberate and calculated plan in progress to turn the United States into a police-state-style surveillance society, to which personal freedoms and liberties are being quickly and egregiously sacrificed. Passage of the USA Patriot Act, The Military Commissions Act, and the Indefinite Detention clauses of the National Defense Authorization acts (since 2012 the NDAA has been reauthorized each year with the Indefinite Detention sections included) are examples of this flagrant betrayal of freedom.

I opposed the preemptive invasion of Iraq and Afghanistan, the bombings of Libya, along with the current bombings and drone attacks going on in countries throughout the Middle East. It should be obvious to everyone that the Obama administration did nothing to change the perpetual war/preemptive war doctrine introduced by George W. Bush.

I am personally convinced that ISIS, Al Nusra, etc., are contrivances of Dark (illegal) Operations of America's CIA, British Intelligence, and Israel's Mossad. Saudi Arabia and Turkey are also partners in this nefarious activity. I'll say it flat out: the "war on terror" is totally the creation of the West to keep America in a state of perpetual war and to keep the people of America in a state of perpetual fear and anger.

I further believe the international "war on terror" is a ruse to assist the goals of the central banks to create global government. All of the talk about Iran and Syria being a threat to the world is a bunch of hysterical propaganda. And FOX News (along with many pastors and churches) is at the heart of the pro-war propaganda machine. Neocons and globalists are using the Muslim people as the proverbial Straw Man to give the American people an enemy to hate, so that they will accept perpetual war abroad and police-state measures here at home.

I opposed the bailouts for Wall Street. I regard the Federal

Reserve as a corrupt cabal of international banksters whose actions are nothing short of criminal. I wholeheartedly support the abolition of the Federal Reserve and a return to sound money.

Regarding Biblical error, I believe the doctrine of the Rapture is being used by too many pastors and Christians as an excuse to not resist the many attacks against our liberties. I further believe that too many pastors and churches have become passive, timid, and politically correct and are, therefore, "good for nothing" (Matthew 5:13) when it comes to preserving liberty.

And, as faithful readers know, I have had an about-face when it comes to my understanding of the Scriptures relating to the modern state of Israel. I have come to the studied opinion that the current state of Israel—the one created on May 14, 1948, by the United Nations—has NOTHING to do with Biblical Israel or prophetic Israel.

I have a DVD containing four messages which explain what I believe is the scriptural truth regarding Israel. The DVD is entitled "The Church And Israel." Find it here.

I believe that ultimately it will take courageous patriot pastors and State governors and legislatures to turn the ship of state around. I wish they would hurry up and get to it.

I am a life member of Gun Owners of America (GOA) and am the National Chaplain for Oath Keepers. These are the only organizations to which I belong.

When I'm not working, I enjoy big game (or even small game) hunting and hiking. I love to hike these beautiful mountains here in Montana. The problem is, I am a workaholic and rarely take time off.

Well, there it is. That is me in a nutshell. At least now you know a little more about who I am. If you want to read more,

here is where you can find my complete online bio.

I also write posts on my official Facebook page to supplement what I write in this column. To read my posts (and make comments), simply "Like" my Facebook page.

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