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Segment.01 Hello. I'm Jerry Scheidbach, pastor of the Lighthouse, and your brain masseur—get ready for your brain massage.

[TRUTH]

Apparently, many conservatives these days are okay with a first lady who has posed nude for GQ—that should make you very proud—and a President who is so superficial and vain, he presents a picture of his model wife opposite the most unflattering picture of Cruz's wife he can find with a caption reading: "A picture is worth a thousand words" — so, what does this picture say? "My wife is prettier than your wife?" I guess Trump, the great businessman, is not so good at math. That's only seven words! Hahaha! Unbelievable. That's all that picture says — here is an example of a picture that says NOTHING! — well, it certainly says something about the guy who posted it.

Wow! Trump will do anything to keep this election from becoming about what really matters — his record as compares to Cruz's record. Great, let's make it about the wives!

You think Cruz put it out that Melania posed naked for G.Q.? The Super Pac responsible for bringing that out is not a pro-Ted Pac, it's an anti-Trump Pac. Besides, candidates, by law, have no control over what Super Pacs do and are prohibited from coordinating with them—but, of course, Cruz breaks the law, but not Trump—Trump is a great law abiding citizen — oh, forgot, except for HIRING ILLEGALS TO WORK FOR HIS BUSINESS IN FLORIDA. But, you know!

So, some Super Pac blows the whistle on Melania's nude pose for G.Q., 16 years ago, distributed for all to see, by the way — I mean,

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Melania sent those pictures out because she hoped they would be published and distributed for all to see—and, well, Trump jumps all over this—what an opportunity for him. Now he gets to go all *I'm a victim* and *Cruz is picking on my wife*, and paint Cruz as the aggressor, when what is actually happening is Trump is the aggressor attacking Cruz's wife—

You see, here is how it works with Trump. A Super Pac, totally unconnected with Cruz, puts out that his wife had posed nude 16 years ago and makes the point that if Trump is elected, his wife, Melania, will be the first First Lady who ever posed nude—and Trump immediately blames Cruz — he does not investigate the issue, he does not contact the Cruz campaign to find out what's going on, he simply jumps on this and ASSUMES Cruz did it, and the reason is that for Trump this is a MEDIA OPPORTUNITY — the media maestro — plays the media like a modern day P.T. Barnum — another opportunity to keep the election focused on, well, SOMETHING ELSE.

Vintage Trump — he cries liar and does not specify what was the lie. He attacks Mrs. Cruz and justifies it by accusing Cruz of attacking his wife — without any evidence — just ACCUSE — that's it!

I accuse you, Trump! I accuse you of purposely manipulating this story to keep the attention off of your record.

Why won't you face Cruz in a one on one debate? Cruz called you a sniveling coward — strong words! Are you going to man up and face him in a debate?

I say you won't. You are an empty suit! You are a PHONY! You've been hiding your liberal soul beneath a facade of being

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tough on immigration—fact is, you are LESS TOUGH ON ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION THAN CRUZ IS — you are a liar, a cheat, and a thief! Usually, I would detail the empirical support for each of these allegations — and I have them. I'm ready to roll with anyone who challenges me on these allegations—I'm ready to show the evidence supporting each one — but I'm going to wait till some Trump supporter comes out against me and challenges me to show the evidence. Then I'm going to say, SHOW ME THE EVIDENCE SUPPORTING TRUMP'S ACCUSATION THAT CRUZ IS A LIAR — PROVE HIS REPEATED LYIN' TED SNIPE — prove Cruz personally had a hand in exposing the truth that IF TRUMP BECOMES PRESIDENT HIS WIFE WILL BE THE FIRST FIRST-LADY WHO HAS POSED NUDE — of course, I'm talking to Trump supporters —

In a debate between Cruz and Trump — guess what happens? Trump all of a sudden starts looking like the LIBERAL he is!

Rush says, "Conservatism is not the defining factor in this primary." He is right!

I will not vote for Trump as the lesser of two socialists — I will not throw my conscience on the floor and wipe my feet on it going into the voting booth and vote for Obama White! I will not vote for a man who wants national government paid health care — no way! Ain't happening. I will not vote for a man who would use the power of the government to take property from citizens to give to some businessman to build a hotel. I BELIEVE THE PROPERTY RIGHTS OF THE AMERICAN CITIZENS MUST BE DEFENDED AGAINST BILLIONARES WHO USE THEIR MONEY AND INFLUENCE TO TAKE YOUR PROPERTY. I

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will not vote for a man who thinks businesses can and should at times be taken over by government — NO! IT WILL NOT HAPPEN.

You be the Benedict Arnold—not me! I'm staying true to what I believe, to the Constitutional conservative values I hold dear—You vote Trump — YOU, NOT I, HAVE GIVEN IN TO HILLARY, AND TO SOCIALISM —

I've been saying this almost for a full year — a vote for Trump is a vote for HILLARY —

Newt, unbelievable how many otherwise decent conservative champions have been taken in by this modern day P.T. Barnum, drawing in the suckers —

Newt — tells me (not personally, of course, but, you know what I mean) to reject a Trump nomination is to give the election to Hillary — what nonsense.

Now, a recent poll comes out that supports what I've been saying right along. Trump cannot beat Hillary — get this, Ted Cruz takes a 14% lead over Hillary, and Trump loses to Hillary—

Hillary needs Trump — or she gets wiped out in the general election. The only hope Hillary has is if the GOP puts up a socialist — so that the only choice we have is between two socialists.

Oh, Trump's friend, owner of the Enquirer, put out a hit piece on Cruz — claiming he has had affairs with five mistresses — of course, Trump's philandering is well known, and, well, accepted—no problem.

Now, the connection between Trump and the Enquirer will be ignored by many Trump supporters—so Cruz's accusation that this

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was done by Trump's friends on his behalf will be ignored by them — while they will repeat ad nausea that Cruz put out the truth about Melania that if Trump is elected she will be the first First Lady to have posed nude for G.Q. — and, apparently, this embarrasses Trump and his wife—and, you know what, I'm glad it does, because it should!

So, here is my counsel—haha! But, really! I think Cruz should use this to take every opportunity to use the press to get his message out. He should passionately defend his wife and his honor—but every time, he should connect a statement to the effect, Trump is trying to keep the attention off his record—but you have to weave it in so it's almost impossible to cut it out in sound bytes.

Something like—what do you say about Trump's accusation you exposed his wife's 16 years ago indiscretion and recent attacks on your wife?

Trump — you know I had nothing to do with that Super Pac ad — my concern with Trump is his record — nationalizing health care and abuse of eminent domain, supporting Obama's bailouts—this thing about his wife is not a concern to me. My wife is the love of my life — only a coward would attack a man's wife like he has done and why? Why? Because he wants to keep attention off the fact that he is not a conservative—why won't he debate me? He knows he would lose. He is trumping this up about our wives in order to avoid a show down between me and him. Hey, Trump—our wives are off limits — quit hiding behind your wife — come on out and face me in a debate.

Anyway — polling becomes more significant as we near the last lap of the primary. Recent polls tell us that Trump is still not

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getting above 37% of GOP registered voters. Sometimes people don't think of what this means—till you put it this way—63% of registered GOP voters DO NOT SUPPORT TRUMP!

Then, there is this other poll that measures Trump's negatives in the general election. 70% of women, nationally, oppose Trump; 77% of Millennials oppose Trump; 83% of African Americans oppose Trump; Hispanics—77% oppose Trump; suburbanites — 68% oppose Trump—this is a national across all parties poll.

Oh yeah!

It's Easter — the word *Easter* is an English cognate of the German oester meaning resurrection. It's used for the New Testament celebration of Passover for the simple reason that Christ, our Passover, has died for us — for that reason, we don't eat the Passover, it's past — we come to another Table — called The Lord's Table — I Corinthians 10:21. Easter, for us, is a celebration of the resurrection of our LORD — I hope you'll join us this Sunday and learn just how relevant the resurrection of our Lord is to us today — it's huge — touching virtually every issue concerning us right now, including the current election —

Allow me to conclude the first segment by pointing out that the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ ultimately means we win — we win against sin, against death, against wickedness, and all evil. We win against all sickness, all heartache, all poverty, all the ills of this world —

And it inspires us to fight—to fight for the RIGHT! To never give up, to never say die! Hold on through the break — but, before I go, right now, plan to join us for Easter services — it will, I promise

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you, it will be the most meaningful Easter service you ever attended.

When I get back, I'm going to let you in on something about this primary, and this election, I think many are missing. I'll be right back.

Hey, Trump, debate Cruz, you sniveling coward! Haha. You won't because you know the minute this election becomes a comparison between you and Cruz on the issues, YOU LOSE!

Segment.02 Hello. Welcome back! I'm Jerry Scheidbach, pastor at the Lighthouse, your brain masseur, and Paul Revere's lantern lighter, lighting the lamps in the church belfry arch, signaling the enemy is on the march, an enemy that would steal from us our liberty.

Okay, well, let's see here — Brussels — let's see, how many podcast listeners do I have in Belgium — well, not a lot, about 3% of the above a quarter million who have downloaded the show through a feed outlet over the last six years — but to my friends in Belgium, and really, France too — I have a lot of podcast listeners in France — and I know you are working together with Belgium to deal with this — of course, our President has too much on his plate right now to give much attention to this — but he does not represent us — not really—our hearts and prayers are with you. But our President is too busy — uh, ditching other Presidential responsibilities, like attending funeral services for Supreme Court Justices and former First Ladies — probably had a tee time already scheduled — you know—or needs to help Michele pick another 4,000 dollar dress to flaunt in the faces of Cubans.

Anyway —

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Hey, I've got a take on this election that so far as I know has not been discussed anywhere — I've discussed this with my wife several times —

Think about this!

First, and this is only an introduction to the insight I'm going to offer, so this part won't surprise you, but it's important to the overall point.

About four years ago, shortly after the last election where Obama won his second term, I began leading our church to pray that God would at least give us someone to vote for, I mean us Christians, someone we could vote for without having to hold our nose, or take a bath afterwards for feeling we compromised our values and — someone we could really vote for with enthusiasm — understanding no human is perfect, but at least someone who was a genuine Christian man of faith, who believes and desires to live by the Word of God...

I remember saying stuff like, I know it's entirely possible that a George Washington, or a John Quincy, could never be elected today—I get that! But it would be nice if God would at least raise up someone who was a Constitutional conservative that was a God fearing Patriot, who would represent our values and beliefs on the national stage—and at least give us a chance to vote for someone like that.

We prayed earnestly for this.

Of course, the world would hate such a candidate — but we should expect that! Jesus made it clear that the "world" would hate us.

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However, we know that God ultimately rules over the earth, and sets up over the kingdom whomsoever He wills—He is Sovereign.

Furthermore, we also know, that He has given the dominion to man, and has given man free will, and has allowed men to appoint their own rulers.

This gets confusing for people, but it's really not that hard to understand. You, for example, ultimately control certain things in the lives of your children, but you are influenced by their behavior, and by their desires, and their interests, and so on.

Likewise God has ultimate power over our lives and yet what He does with that power is influenced by our behavior, by our prayers, by what is going on in our hearts.

While it's true that God will ultimately decide He has given us the responsibility to vote, to appoint those who will rule over us. And He watches how we vote and our choice influences His Ultimate CHOICE.

For example, in Hosea 8:4, He complained that His people had "set up kings, but not by Me." They violated His instruction given by Moses in Deuteronomy 17:15, that they would be given the opportunity to choose their leaders, but that He wanted them to choose someone He would choose. And He gave them six criteria to guide their selection—read it in Deuteronomy 17. And, by the way, it does apply to us in principle since the Bible says it was specifically written for us upon whom the ends of the world are come — I Cor. 10:11; Romans 15:4.

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And then there is this principle. We know that God listens to HIS OWN CHILDREN — He is focused on what THEY ARE CHOOSING — not on what the WORLD IS CHOOSING.

Now, before you tune me out and say something like, hey, God is listening to every body and taking into consideration the entire nation, believers and unbelievers alike — hmmmm? Really?

Okay, look. If a neighbor kid came to my door and asked for food because he was hungry, I'd probably give him some food. Even though I would not obliged to do it. However, I'd probably ask some questions, wonder why his parents have not fed him, consider whether there was some problem here that I should look further into, but I'd probably give the kid some food.

But it would be entirely different if it was my son. There would be no question, no hesitation whatsoever — it would be, of course. Why, I have a relationship there that involves me personally, and, well, it's my son—so!

See what I mean? The prayers of Cornelius, it's in the book of Acts, 10-11, he was a lost man, that is, he was not a Christian man, but he was a good man in human terms, he was a God fearing man, he was devout to what he believed, he was a compassionate man, gave alms to the poor — stuff like that — and God had respect to his prayers, and moved Heaven and earth to see that he got a chance to hear the Gospel — so God, of course, hears the prayers of lost people — but it's different! He might or might not respond, He has made no promise to hear any prayer except repentance, He has not committed Himself to them in the same way He has committed Himself to His own children.

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You know the verse, "If MY PEOPLE, which are called by MY NAME, shall humble themselves and pray ..."

God appoints rulers over the kingdoms of men, and He does it according to HIS WILL — He has given to men the inalienable right to "set up" these rulers over them, with the responsibility to do it according to HIS WORD — He measures the entire nation — as with Belshazzar, He weighs a nation in His balances — but, He listens intently to the prayers and watches out particularly for the concerns of HIS OWN CHILDREN —

So, if HIS KIDS are asking for a leader, and they are choosing according to HIS WILL — He is more likely than not going to RESPOND to this and MOVE on their behalf.

If, on the other hand, His people, called by HIS NAME, are setting up rulers BUT NOT BY HIM — well, then we'll get a Nebuchadnezzar, that is, we'll be turned over to some oppressor, just like they were.

We'll get some profane Baal worshipper — who will build a temple to Baal in New York—oh Yeah!

So, anyway!

With all of this in mind, consider! You and I both know that the world is going to kick, scream, cry—indeed, they will wail and gnash their teeth against setting up over them a truly born again, godly Bible believing Christian man — at least in our current cultural environment — where Christians have given so much territory over to the enemy we are about to lose our place in our own nation under God.

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In any event, God is listening to His remnant—friends, I realize the world will hate this, but, hey, I get that — Psalm 2 — they rage against the bands and cords of God's righteousness and desire to break away from the Christian values that have defined our culture — and they have just about succeeded — But GOD WILL LAUGH, He will have them in derision.

But here is the fact! It is entirely in our hands!

If you are a genuine born again believer — one of those who orders his or her life under the command of your LORD and MASTER Jesus Christ — and BELIEVE the truth that He is Sovereign, and HE WILL ULTIMATELY DECIDE this election — He is listening specifically to you — He is watching how you vote, and why?

Of course, we understand that the enemy will oppose us every step of the way, that the violent will make every effort to TAKE THE KINDGOM BY FORCE — they will lie, cheat, kick, scream, I mean, I think, for example, the more support you see goes toward Cruz, you watch, the more you will hear them wailing and gnashing their teeth — but GOD will decide this thing and He will do it based on "IF MY PEOPLE, WHICH ARE CALLED BY MY NAME ..." and not because of their great might!

And look, God can deliver by many or by few — I Samuel 14:6 — so don't be daunted by the numbers. Let's look at them. Let's face the reality before us right now in this nation.

In 2008, "white, born-again, Evangelical Christians represented 26 percent of the total vote for president" if we trust the exit polls. Guess what? After the first term of Obama — when there was such

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raw sentiment against him in 2012 — the exact same percentage of Evangelical Christians voted in 2012.

So, it's fairly safe to say we represent about 26% of the 120 million or so who participate in these elections. That's clearly a significant minority.

But, like Gideon, remember him? He had, what, 10,000 to fight against 140,000 and God said, you have too many — send all home who are wimps — something like that, and what was left, some few thousands, and God winnowed it down yet more all the way to only 300 against 140,000 —

So, when you look at that 26% are born again, Evangelical Christians, you know a significant number of them are professors only—I mean, like I pointed out earlier, they don't really BELIEVE HIS WORD governs their lives. They live according to their own word, and lean on their own understanding.

That must explain why, as a matter of fact, 21% of those who call themselves born again Evangelicals voted for Obama's second term. And again, I'm not saying a Christian can't vote for Obama. Hosea 8:4 makes clear that God's people can vote contrary to God's will. That means that more than 6 million who self-identify as born again Evangelical Christians voted to return Obama to the White House.

And, guess what? All the touting about how conservative the Catholics are — 50% of the Catholic vote went to Obama in 2012.

Guess what? Talk about the "Bible Belt"? 42% of the Evangelical vote in North Carolina went to — TRUMP, who would, at the very least, offend Christian sentimentality! Yeah! The guy that operates

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strip clubs, believes in nationalizing health care totally, abuses eminent domain, which means he uses his money and influence to use government power to line his own pockets at the expense of widows property rights—believes in Obama's bailouts — yep! That's how aware the Evangelical Christians are in North Carolina these days.

Ohio bested North Carolina — only 39% of Evangelicals in Ohio went for Trump. 31% of what are called the church-going-diehards in Missouri went for Trump. And that is very odd in my opinion! Obviously, the things that matter to me don't matter to them.

It's not a majority in any of these cases, but it is enough to cut our influence virtually in half—an influence that is already reduced to 26% of the general electorate already.

Then there is the oft touted 17 million Evangelical Christians who don't participate in voting. Wow, have they got a lot to answer for at the judgment seat of the KING.

But this group has never showed up in support of any candidate so far. They did not rally to Santorum, to Huckabee, or Robertson—which might not be saying much—all three of these guys are jokes. But apparently, they are not rising in mass for Cruz, either. Why? I'll discuss that more later—

But the point here is that, it's not about the numbers! It never was. It wasn't about the numbers for Gideon! It's about getting our FATHER — the Sovereign God over all kingdoms of the world—to rise up and step into this election on the behalf of His sincerely repentant elect.

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So, here is the deal. And I think this applies to all Christians, all God fearing Patriots—when we as believers come up against particularly powerful devils, such as those that are presently holding so much of government power in this country today — you cannot over come without PRAYER and FASTING followed by ACTION.

Go to our website and buy my book on prayer and fasting. You can go to our church site, at santamarialightouse.org, open the book store, find Kingdom Power by Prayer and Fasting — buy it, read it, heed it, and then GET ENGAGED in this warfare for our country by taking action.

It so happens that I think Cruz is the man Christians ought to support. You might disagree! You will be surprised to find out that there are people in the church I pastor who voted for Obama, and I love them and pray with them and for them like anyone else in our Church — there are some who support Trump, some liked Carson a great deal and were disheartened when he defected to Trump—I mean, I don't speak for the church — I speak my own mind and heart. You have to decide for yourself how you will steward your vote for God. I think it should go Cruz —

How's that for an Easter special?

Come see us—you will be inspired, and uplifted!

I have lit the lamps in the Church belfry arch and now you let me know if you see them. You say LIGHTS ON if you see the LIGHTS ARE ON and you will ride like Revere and spread the warning, (essentially, it means you agree with what I'm saying) or you say LIGHTS ARE OFF — which means you reject what I'm

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saying and disagree strongly with me. So, what will it be today, lights on, or lights off?

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