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**CORE VALUES FOR RESTORING
*ONE NATION UNDER GOD!***

“The dogmas of the quiet past, are inadequate to the stormy present. The occasion is piled high with difficulty, and we must rise—with the occasion. As our case is new, so we must think anew, and act anew.”

President Abraham Lincoln

For more than 2,000 years, the gospel of Jesus Christ has been the greatest force for human flourishing the planet has ever seen. Yes, the good news has redeemed countless lost individuals and swept them into an eternity in heaven. But the effects here, in this broken world, have been profound as well.

We have borne witness to the breakdown of Western civilization caused by the secular censorship of Christ and the truths found in the Holy Scriptures. America is a country founded by people who, while flawed, recognized biblical truth. Without a Christian worldview and values and the extraordinary progress, prosperity, freedom, and equality they have produced, such advancements would not have emerged. The fullest expression of that civilization has been the United States of America—a nation founded by people rooted in biblical truth who crafted a constitutional republic unlike anything the world had ever seen.

At the time of the Founding Fathers, they knew good laws are but a reflection of the laws of nature and nature’s God. As such, good laws are eternal and equally binding, and today’s Americans will adhere to them for centuries.

WE’VE LOST OUR WAY

No one has to tell you that for four straight years, from 2020 to 2024, America lost its way. You saw it everywhere you looked. You saw long-cherished freedoms—bought with blood and sacrifice by successive generations—erode rapidly. The values that produced unprecedented order, opportunity and prosperity were mocked and discarded, producing the following consequences:

- On Easter Sunday—the holiest day in the Christian calendar—the previous Administration declared a “Transgender Visibility Day”: which was a deliberate affront to millions of believers;



- The Department of Justice was weaponized against churches;
- The largest increase in consumer prices during a president's first term since the 1980s
- Rising lawlessness at our border and in our once-great cities
- Diminished confidence in the integrity of our electoral systems, governing institutions, and foreign policy; and
- Radical agendas that sought to indoctrinate and bring physical harm to children

THE WAY BACK

Through planning, prayer and action in the public square and churches across the nation, God's people turned the tide. The American people are awake. We are fighting back. And under God, we will win.

From the beginning, the America First Policy Institute (AFPI) established 10 policy campaigns, presented in detail in the America First Agenda: Guide to the Issues, and designed to serve all Americans. The tradition continues with the 2026 America First Agenda.

AFPI exists to advance policies that put the American people first, guided by the founding principles of liberty, free enterprise, national greatness, American military superiority, foreign policy engagement in the American interest, and the primacy of American workers, families, and communities in all AFPI completes. AFPI's mission could not be accomplished without first being rooted in biblical foundations, which is why this project is at the core of America First.

The America First Agenda interprets the policy objectives of the America First Agenda through the lens of its biblical foundations and applications, providing Christians with information regarding the issues and solutions needed to restore our nation.

Since the Founding of our nation on Judeo-Christian principles, many of our greatest strides, from gaining independence, to civil rights, to extending the vote to women, have been led by people of faith and by men and women whose first action was to pray. President Donald J. Trump spoke these words at the National Prayer Breakfast in 2019:

As Jesus promises in the Bible, "Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete." We are blessed to live in a land of faith where all things are possible. Our only limits are those we place on ourselves. So true. ... So today, and every day, let us pray for the future of our country. Let us pray for the courage to pursue justice and the wisdom to forge peace. Let us pray for a future where every child has a warm, safe and loving home. Let us come together for the good of our people, for the strength of our families, for the safety of our citizens, for the fulfillment of our deepest hopes and our highest potential. And let us always give thanks for the miracle of life, the majesty of creation, and the grace of Almighty God.

PURPOSE OF THE BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS

Without God, there is no virtue, because there's no prompting of the conscience. Without God, we're mired in the material, that flat world that tells us only what the senses perceive. Without God, there is a coarsening of the society. And without God, democracy will not and cannot long endure. If we ever forget that we're one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under.

President Ronald Reagan

The idea of mixing religion and public discourse has been made into an untouchable idea in the United States, but in reality, God has called His Church to be active in the issues of our day. This was critical to the outcome of the 2024 election as pastors and lay leaders across America underlined the biblical foundation for each of AFPI's foundational pillars for America.

If there is anything we learned in the 2024 election cycle, it is that without the guidance of the Holy Bible in a world full of evil, it is impossible to safeguard the future of America for the next generation. Our Christian and biblical values have produced extraordinary progress, prosperity, freedom and equality for more than 200 years; they were important at the Founding, and they remain so today. As we enter this new era in American history, the Church in the United States must continue to play a central role in upholding the values and freedoms that have made America the most prosperous nation on Earth. Our purpose has never been to establish a state religion, but to uphold the foundational Judeo-Christian values that have secured our country's future over the last two and a half centuries.

Jesus has called His Church to participate in the marketplace of ideas according to His gospel. We are called to be the light of the world and the salt of the Earth. If the Church does not engage in the issues of the day, it is missing a historic opportunity at a critical point in America's story to bring the Kingdom of Heaven to Earth. We must act. We must vote. We must run for public office. We must plant Jesus in every space we are allowed to stand while we are still allowed to speak God's truth.

As we have seen in history, in the words of Lord Acton, "Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely." Freedoms and liberties guaranteed in our Constitution continue to be under assault. If there is anything we learned during the last four years, it is that the fight we wage is not just about the culture of America; it's about the kingdom of God and the Church's divine mission to be salt and light in an era of increasing darkness here in America and across the globe.

America has been given a reprieve, proving that it is never too late to surrender to the unshakable truth found in 2 Chronicles 7:14: "If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land." This is a call to action for God's people in every season and every generation. Prayer is the first step, but it must be coupled with action. The book of James declares that "faith without works is dead." Faith in action can produce policies that endure and honor God and His design for humanity through righteous governance. In other words, America is a country under God, indivisible, that delivers liberty and justice for all.

AFPI's Biblical Foundations Project equips pastors and Americans of faith with empowering language to speak to the core moral issues challenging our nation's future. The goal: Inspire people to articulate why America First policies are not only the right direction for the American people but are also grounded in the eternal truth of Scripture. These truths include the dignity of life, the reality of two genders, the sanctity of female safe spaces, the protection of children and mothers, and the rights of Americans to live in communities free from violence or to attend a university without exposure to woke propaganda and antisemitism.

For more information and to stay up to date on the Biblical Foundations Project, please see below.

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America First CORE VALUES

FOR RESTORING A NATION *UNDER GOD!*

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KEY CONCEPT:

Faith and Politics DO Mix in America

Politics matters because policy matters; policy matters because people matter.

Throughout the Bible, God has used His people in various aspects of governance to be a light for Him in this world. From Joseph, to Moses, to Daniel to Esther, and even to Jesus and Paul in the New Testament, God has used His people to influence the governments of the day for His divine purpose. Today is no different. The Church is God's force for good in the world and the United States, and this force does not end where government begins. The Church is to go into all the world, not just areas where it is considered politically correct. This is the mission of the Church.

Even the Founders of our nation understood this. In fact, America's Patriot Bible quotes a study from 1984 conducted by the University of Houston that isolated 3,154 direct quotes made by the Founders and further states that 34% of quotes from our Founders came directly from the Bible. America has always been a nation under God, and this reality was hammered into the country's soul at the very beginning.

This booklet is designed for pastors, ministry leaders, and other like-minded community leaders who wish to utilize the content of this project to advance an agenda that will save America. Below is a list of items that outline the biblical mandate for the Church to engage in public discourse drawn from an introductory sermon series developed by the America First Policy Institute.

- God has always cared about government and calls His Church to be His influence in these systems.
- The Bible has a lot to say about government in both the Old and New Testaments. God has used people in government throughout the history of the world.
- The words "politics" and "religion" have been twisted over the years to be something they are not. They have been separated, but they belong together.

- We are ultimately citizens of heaven, and the calling of Christians is to be representatives of Christ—the salt and light—on Earth and in all aspects of life on Earth.
- America was founded as a self-governing nation on biblical principles. The Ten Commandments and Christian teachings have been the foundation that created the American legal system.
- Self-governance is a biblical concept that has three main components: the rule of law, consent of the governed, and private property.

People of faith have a long history of leading movements that changed the world for the glory of God. Like all missions that God calls His people to accomplish, the people must start in a humble attitude of prayer and submission to the lordship of Jesus; as people of faith pursue this calling once again. Since the founding of our nation, many of our greatest strides—from gaining independence, to abolition, to civil rights, to extending the vote to women—have been led by people of faith and started in prayer. Let us pray for the courage to pursue justice and the wisdom to forge peace. Let us pray for a future where every child has a warm, safe and loving home. Let us come together for the good of our people, for the strength of our families, for the safety of our citizens, for the fulfillment of our deepest hopes and our highest potential. And let us always give thanks for the miracle of life, the majesty of creation, and the grace of Almighty God.

If God's people submit to Him in prayer and humility, America can and will be saved.

The Calling from God

God has called His Church to be a part of political discourse and the system of governance. Jesus called His Church the salt of the Earth and the light to the world. This salt and light do not end where government begins.

God's Idea

Good governance is God's idea. Mankind cannot have good governance without the foundational principles of God's design for self-governance — the rule of law, private property, and dispersed decision-making with the consent of the governed.

The Church & Government

Worldly philosophy, like Marxism, influences American politics and attempts to redefine the relationship that the Church has with government. The religious nature of Marxism places man at the top and removes God completely.

America's Core

America was founded on Judeo-Christian principles by people who escaped totalitarianism and tyranny from unjust and wrongful governance. They founded a country with the understanding that power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. This is why Christian principles are at the core of America.

Policy + Jesus

The Bible makes it clear that religion and good policy mix well. In fact, the best policy is grounded in the teachings of Jesus and the Bible.

Designed for Good Governance

Having Christian values as the foundation of a country sets the people in line with God's perfect design for good governance.

FOUNDATIONAL UNDERSTANDING:

The Structure of the United States Government

“For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; it is he who will save us.”

Isaiah 33:22 (NIV)

The Bible commands Christians to pray and submit to those in authority. The Apostle Paul states, “I urge, then first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.” 1 Timothy 2:1-2 (NIV). The Apostle Peter instructs Christians to “Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every human authority: whether to the emperor, as the supreme authority, or to the governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right.” 1 Peter 2:13-14 (NIV).

At a basic level, Christians should take the initiative to know who their leaders are and to understand the authority they have been given under the law.

The U.S. government has three branches that preside over the affairs of the nation. The executive, judicial and legislative branches all conduct specific tasks outlined in the U.S. Constitution. The government carries immense power over the lives of its citizens and the overall welfare of society.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

The executive branch is led by the president of the United States and his or her cabinet. This includes the vice president and 15 secretaries who preside over the various departments, such as the Department of State and the Department of Labor. The cabinet has grown immensely since the founding of the United States, when it contained only three secretaries. Overall, more than 4 million Americans—civilian and military—work for the federal government.

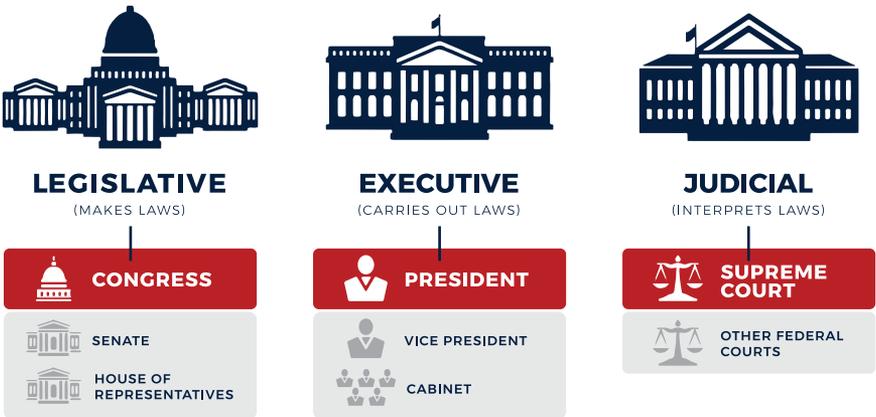
JUDICIAL BRANCH

The judicial branch is responsible for deciding the constitutionality of

laws and resolving disputes related to federal laws. This includes the United States Supreme Court, which consists of nine judges appointed by the president and confirmed by the Senate. The appointment of a U.S. Supreme Court justice is a lifelong appointment. This makes it critical in the long-term legal structure of the country and in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the people from the overreach of the extensive government bureaucracy.

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The legislative branch of the United States is the Congress, comprising the House of Representatives and the Senate, both of which are elected by the people. The Senate has 100 senators (two from each state), and the House of Representatives has 435 members. The number of representatives for each state is determined by the state's population. A more populated state like California has 53 representatives, while a less populated state like South Dakota has only one. However, every state has two senators, balancing power and allowing for equal representation across the Nation.



These three branches are mirrored in each of the 50 states, with the governor leading the executive branch, a judicial branch led by a state supreme court, and a state legislative branch comprised of elected representatives from districts across the state. Then, there are our local leaders, including mayors, city councils, and law enforcement.

The U.S. government was masterfully designed by the Founding Fathers with a clear goal in mind: the separation of powers. This design ensures that no single branch has ultimate power over another and that a strong system of checks and balances is in place. Self-governance is at the core of the system, where the people have the ultimate say in how our nation should be governed. This is clearly stated in our founding documents with the phrase, "We the People..."

***The following pages include
AFPI's biblically based
analysis of core issues that
guide AFPI's broader policy
work in a post-2024 election
context.***

The material offers a deeper understanding of why these values are the right direction for America, grounded in facts, polling, and policy solutions for today's issues and opportunities. More importantly, just like the original edition of Biblical Foundations, the updated version shows that the values are rooted in key scriptures critical to restoring one nation under God.



THE CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED

“We the People” are the opening words in the foundational documents of the United States, and they embody the leading principle of American government: the consent of the governed.

From a biblical standpoint, this concept reflects God’s design for humanity to exercise stewardship, responsibility, and biblically based moral agency over the communities and institutions in which they live. In Genesis 1:26–28, God gives mankind dominion over creation—not so that they might dominate each other, but so that they might wisely cultivate the world in accordance with His will. This act of entrusting humanity with responsibility is the original form of self-governance, grounded in divine authority and formed by moral law. Because humanity is made in the image of God, each person has the God-given agency to make moral choices and participate in shaping the world.

The Old Testament also gives us a clear example of consent of the governed in action. In Exodus 18, Moses receives wise counsel from Jethro and appoints judges chosen from among the people to adjudicate matters according to God’s law. These judges were chosen “from all the people” and given authority because the people trusted them and consented to their leadership. This is an early demonstration of self-governance, showing that the people of God exercised responsibility in selecting their leaders and administering justice.

When the Founders wrote “We the People,” they affirmed that political authority ultimately originates not from monarchs or elites, but from the people themselves, who are created in the image of God and therefore possess inherent dignity and freedom. Romans 13 teaches all governing authorities are “God’s servants,” and that their legitimacy flows not from coercion, but from their alignment with justice and righteousness. For a government to be just, it must rest upon the free moral decision of its people—a people who acknowledge that God alone is the supreme ruler and lawgiver. Thus, the consent of the governed is not simply a political mechanism; it is a theological affirmation that self-government is a gift entrusted to a free people under God.

Self-governance in the United States is, therefore, a practical expression of biblical principles. Because every person is accountable to God, they must also be free to participate in shaping the laws and institutions that affect their lives. Consent requires moral virtue, wisdom, and an active citizenry whose loyalty lies first with the Lord and second with the nation. One of the core cultural commands God gave Israel as part of His rule of law was “love your neighbor as yourself” (Leviticus 19:18). That principle remains at the heart of righteous governance and forms the basis of public morality and justice.

The New Testament reinforces this in Galatians 5:13–15, where the Apostle Paul writes, “For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” This freedom in Christ is the ultimate guarantee of our decision-making authority and responsibility. It reminds us that true self-governance must be exercised in love, service, and moral discipline.

In this sense, “We the People” is not merely a historical phrase—it is a daily reminder of our collective covenant, both with one another and with God. The consent of the governed points us toward a higher authority and calls us to exercise our freedom with humility, righteousness, and responsibility. It is the biblical foundation for self-governance in the American experiment, rooted in the belief that a free people, under God, can build a just and enduring nation.

A nation committed to these biblical principles and submitting to the authority of God through prayer and thanksgiving will experience the blessing of God. Second Chronicles 7:14 reminds the reader, “If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” It is not too late for America to return to a nation under God. Much work has already been accomplished by God-fearing leaders in government, but the road to restoration is not yet at its end. More must be done to ensure that “We the People” become a nation under the sovereignty of God.

1

A Thriving Economy: Reigniting the American Dream

America must reclaim control over its economy by putting the interests of American workers, families and businesses first. For too long, multinational corporations and international trade deals have sold out our middle class and shipped jobs overseas. We need an economy that is built in America, for America. That means restoring our manufacturing base, protecting American innovation, securing our energy independence, and stopping unfair trade practices—especially from countries like China. Tax policies should reward hard work, not punish success, and welfare programs should give a hand up and not trap people in dependence. Our economy should serve the people, not the other way around.

KEY SCRIPTURES

For the Lord your God will bless you as he has promised, and you will lend to many nations but will borrow from none. You will rule over many nations but none will rule over you.

Deuteronomy 15:6 (NIV)



Ship your grain across the sea; after many days you may receive a return. Invest in seven ventures, yes, in eight; you do not know what disaster may come upon the land.

Ecclesiastes 11:1-3 (NIV)

Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won't you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it?

Luke 14:28 (NIV)

So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches?

Luke 16:11 (NIV)

Wealth gained by dishonesty will be diminished, But he who gathers by labor will increase.

Proverbs 13:11 (NKJV)

Not that I speak from need, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. I know how to get along with little, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:11-13 (NASB)

The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, without painful toil for it.

Proverbs 10:22 (NIV)

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.

Romans 13:8 (NIV)

But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who give you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

Deuteronomy 8:18 (NIV)

THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ **Make Housing Affordable Again:** It shouldn't take two incomes and a lifetime of debt to buy a modest home for your family. We will cut red tape, unleash builders, and use local craftsmen and American materials to lower costs and make housing affordable again.
- ★ **Bring Jobs and Industry Back Home:** American companies should operate and manufacture their goods at home, not overseas. An America First economy means trade deals that put workers first, manufacturing jobs that return to America, and policies that incentivize investment in local businesses instead of foreign interests. More jobs at home mean higher wages, lower costs, and a strong middle class that moves the Nation forward.
- ★ **Let Americans Keep Their Hard-Earned Money:** By cutting taxes for working families and small businesses, we can ensure that the money Americans earn goes toward feeding their families, not feeding the bureaucracy in D.C. Every agency will continue to be held accountable for waste, fraud, and abuse. The “DOGE effect” must continue.
- ★ **Tariffs for Freedom: Reclaiming Our Economic Sovereignty:** We will no longer support non-reciprocal free-trade agreements. If you want access to the world's largest, safest, and most lucrative consumer market, you must pay a price for that privilege.

Statistics

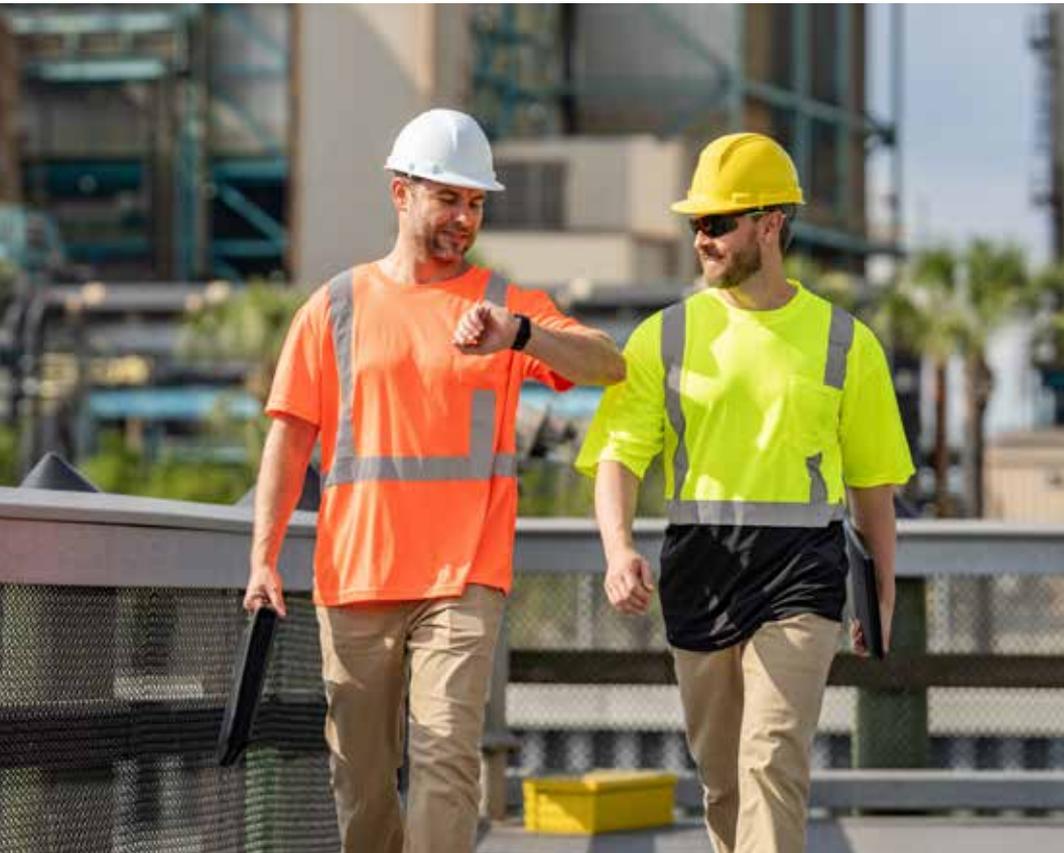
98% ACCORDING TO THE CONFERENCE BOARD DATA, THE **CONSUMER CONFIDENCE INDEX ROSE IN MAY 2025** TO 98.0, UP FROM 85.7 IN APRIL. (PR NEWSWIRE, MAY 2025)

44% OF REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING INDEPENDENTS NOW RATE THE **ECONOMY AS EXCELLENT OR GOOD**. (PEW RESEARCH CENTER, OCTOBER 2025)

58% OF LIKELY U.S. VOTERS AGREE THAT **AMERICA NEEDS MORE ECONOMIC POPULISM** (RASMUSSEN REPORTS, OCTOBER 28, 2025)

46% OF LIKELY U.S. **VOTERS RATE TRUMP'S HANDLING OF ECONOMIC ISSUES** AS GOOD OR EXCELLENT (RASMUSSEN REPORTS, OCTOBER 27, 2025)

62% OF LIKELY U.S. VOTERS AGES 18-39 THINK THE **ECONOMY IS UNFAIR TO YOUNG PEOPLE** (RASMUSSEN REPORTS, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025)



2

American Energy Independence: Powering Prosperity

God created energy in various forms. In Genesis, He clearly directs mankind to harness the Earth and subdue it. This means humanity must take hold of God's creation and steward it with responsibility, care, and authority. In other words, mankind is called to be the guardians of the natural resources of the world and to use the world's abundant wealth for the betterment of our environment, communities, and society.

The United States is among the cleanest consumers and producers of energy in the world. When compared to other regional powers like China and Russia, the United States continues to lead the way with clean energy. Not only that, but the United States uses its energy power globally to bring further stability in other regions. This is why, when politicians speak of things like the "Green New Deal" and other disastrous measures that affect American energy independence, the American people should take note. Measures like these have and will destroy jobs and cripple the American economy. Scores of jobs depend on American energy and on harnessing the full potential of our energy stores for American economic growth and prosperity.

Sovereign nations are responsible for their natural resources. The care of this wealth is to be stewarded with responsibility and intentionality for the betterment of the whole society and the well-being of American families.

A broad survey of the Bible reveals that God's conception of "good government" or just rule is one that advances the well-being of all the citizens of a nation, not just an elite and powerful few. The Scriptures also make it clear that God is the creator of the Universe and everything in it and that He delegated dominion and stewardship over the Earth to mankind.

Energy policy in the United States often seems to assume that we have no right to utilize the Earth and its resources wisely for human benefit. At the same time, our policies seem to benefit an elite few in the "green energy" sector, while placing additional financial burdens on everyday Americans.

True energy independence means that the United States does not fall victim to the whims of energy cartels, adversaries, or unreliable foreign suppliers for its energy needs. When the United States is energy independent, the American people enjoy lower-cost energy and insulation from instability around the globe, including the care and security of “the least of these” among us.

Energy independence is at the core of sovereignty. The United States does not need to be dependent on foreign sources of energy. God has blessed the United States with natural resources, which have led to American leadership in energy production, innovation, and the development of cleaner energy. This innovation should be supported, not restricted by burdensome regulations that stifle the innovative spirit empowered through the Holy Bible and supported by the U.S. Constitution, as both issue the responsibility of stewardship to the people.

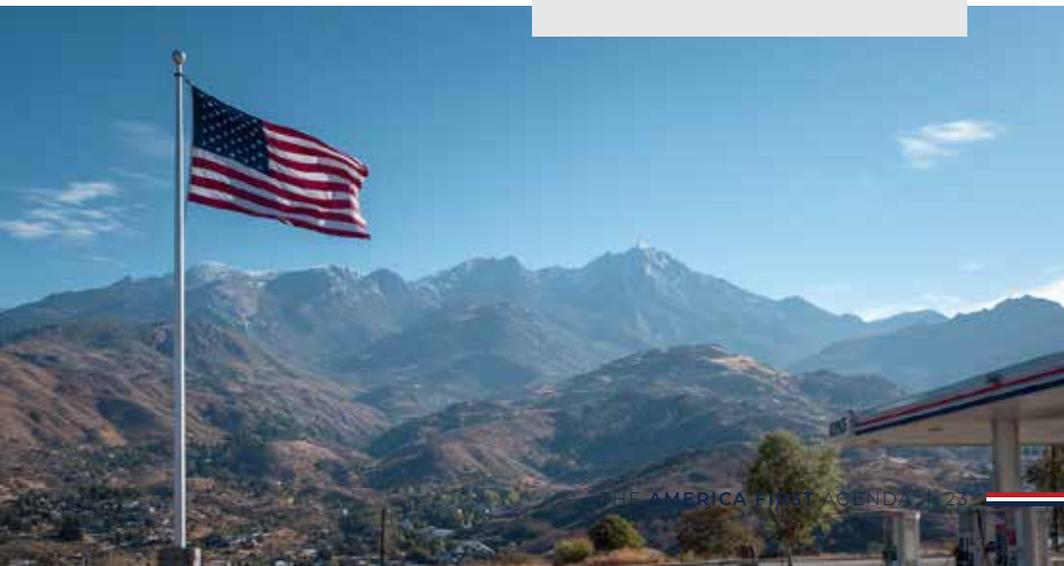
KEY SCRIPTURES

“Then God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground.” **Genesis 1:28 (NLT)**

“[God] doesn’t care how great a person may be, and he pays no more attention to the rich than to the poor. He made them all.” **Job 34:19 (NLT)**

“Moreover, the profit of the land is for all . . .” **Ecclesiastes 5:9 (NKJV)**

“For the LORD your God will bless you as he has promised, and you will lend to many nations but will borrow from none. You will rule over many nations, but none will rule over you.” **Deuteronomy 15:6 (NIV)**



THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Harness American Resources:*** From oil to gas and nuclear, renewables, and coal, we have everything we need to power our future right here at home. By making it easier to drill, restart pipelines, and fast-tracking domestic production, we will drive down costs and ensure every state has the energy it needs to grow its economy and support its communities.
- ★ ***Bring Down Gas Prices:*** Families shouldn't struggle to afford to pick up kids from school or drive to work because of soaring gas prices. By increasing domestic production and ending dependence on foreign oil, we can bring gas prices down and make life affordable again for working Americans. This also means removing hidden taxes that drive up energy costs and eliminating "Green New Scam" subsidies and tax credits for unreliable "green" energy sources.
- ★ ***More American Jobs, Lower Bills:*** By reopening coal-fired and nuclear power plants and expanding drilling, refining, and creating a domestic energy reserve, we can create thousands of new American jobs and lower costs for every household.
- ★ ***Create a Permitting Revolution:*** Fast-track energy projects and remove bureaucratic delays to unleash growth, lower energy costs, and ensure Americans have reliable power for homes, businesses, and communities.
- ★ ***Mine and Refine Critical Minerals Domestically:*** Secure America's supply of rare earth and other critical minerals by mining and refining them at home. Reduce reliance on adversaries like China, who control key resources, and ensure these essential materials fuel U.S. technology, defense, and clean energy innovation.

Statistics

46% OF LIKELY U.S. **VOTERS RATE DONALD TRUMP'S HANDLING OF ECONOMIC ISSUES** (INCLUDING "ENERGY PRICES") AS GOOD OR EXCELLENT. (RASMUSSEN REPORTS, OCTOBER 2025)

75% OF REPUBLICANS SAID THE COUNTRY SHOULD **PRIORITIZE DEVELOPING FOSSIL FUELS** (OIL/COAL/NATURAL GAS) OVER RENEWABLE SOURCES. (PEW RESEARCH CENTER, JUNE 2025)

61% OF **AMERICANS SUPPORT THE USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY** IN THE U.S. ELECTRICITY MIX. (GALLUP, APRIL 2025)

63% OF AMERICANS SAY THEIR **ELECTRIC/GAS UTILITY BILLS** ARE ADDING TO THEIR FINANCIAL STRESS. (POWERLINES, APRIL 2025)

87% OF VOTERS SAY THEY ARE **CONCERNED ABOUT THE AFFORDABILITY OF THEIR ELECTRICITY BILLS AND RISING ENERGY COSTS**. (CONSERVATIVE ENERGY NETWORK, OCTOBER 2025)



3

Healthcare Accessibility and Affordability

Healthcare in America must be accessible, affordable, and free from government overreach. The America First approach prioritizes patient choice, doctor-patient relationships, and real transparency in pricing. We must protect and strengthen Medicare for our seniors while rooting out waste and fraud. Big government and big pharma should not dictate healthcare decisions; individuals and families should. We need competition and personalized care, not one-size-fits-all mandates.



KEY SCRIPTURES

Stand fast there in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with yoke of bondage.”

Galatians 5:1 (NKJV)

But Peter and other apostles answered and said: We ought to obey God rather than men.

Acts 5:29 (NKJV)

And if it seems evil to you to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Joshua 24:15 (NKJV)

One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind.

Romans 14:5 (NKJV)



THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Lower Costs, Stronger Families:*** Make nutritious food and preventative care accessible to every family. Prioritize fitness, nutrition, and wellness programs—especially for children. Expand Health Savings Accounts (HSAs), allow direct contracting, and require hospitals and insurers to post transparent pricing. Stop Medicare from overpaying for brand-name drugs. Require food assistance programs to fund only healthy options, reducing chronic disease and long-term healthcare costs.
- ★ ***Farmers First:*** Invest in farms, farmland, and agricultural production to ensure American families have access to safe, affordable food. Protect farmland from foreign adversaries and empower U.S. small producers, butchers, and retailers to grow while maintaining safety standards. Remove burdensome regulations and repeal taxes on basic food staples, so families aren't penalized for buying healthy, essential food.
- ★ ***Restore Trust in Science and Safety Through Accountability and Transparency:*** Ensure government dietary guidelines are scientifically sound and unbiased. Strengthen food safety standards to prevent dangerous substances from reaching Americans. Combat waste, fraud, and abuse in federal nutrition programs, and make every policy decision accountable to families' well-being.
- ★ ***Restore Dignity in Assistance:*** Reform a broken entitlement system that traps Americans in dependency. Replace bureaucracy with opportunity—reward work, promote health, and incentivize self-reliance so that every dollar lifts families toward independence, not government control.

Statistics

43% OF VOTERS SAY **LOWERING HEALTH CARE COSTS** IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT TO ADDRESS. (FAMILIES USA, SEPTEMBER 25-29, 2025)

37% OF **REGISTERED VOTERS** CONSIDER **HEALTHCARE** AS **“EXTREMELY IMPORTANT,”** WHILE 42% CONSIDER IT AS **“VERY IMPORTANT.”** (GALLUP, OCTOBER 9, 2024).

42% OF RESPONDENTS TO A COMMUNITY CATALYST POLL CITED **HEALTHCARE AS A TOP CONCERN** (COMMUNITY CATALYST, MAY 5 2025).

60% OF AMERICANS ARE **“EXTREMELY” OR “VERY” CONCERNED** ABOUT THE HEALTH COSTS GOING UP. (AP-NORC POLL OCTOBER 2025)

43% OF AMERICANS SAY LOWERING HEALTH-CARE COSTS IS THE **MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR CONGRESS AND THE PRESIDENT** (HIGHER THAN HOUSING, JOBS, IMMIGRATION). (FAMILIES USA POLL, SEPTEMBER 2025)

44% OF U.S. ADULTS SAY THE QUALITY OF HEALTHCARE IS EXCELLENT (GALLUP, DECEMBER 6, 2024)

69% OF U.S. ADULTS SAY **HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANIES HAVE TOO MUCH INFLUENCE** ON PUBLIC DEBATES ABOUT HEALTH POLICY. (PEW RESEARCH CENTER, JULY 10, 2025)



4

Religious Liberty

Religious liberty is not just a tradition; it's a fundamental, God-given right protected by our Constitution. Yet today, people of faith are increasingly targeted by activist courts, woke corporations, and radical ideologues. America First policies defend the right of every citizen to live out their faith without fear of punishment or censorship. We must push back against any attempt to force Americans to choose between their faith and their career, their beliefs and their basic rights. Faith is a force for good in our country, and it deserves protection, not persecution.



KEY SCRIPTURES

Then this shall be the sign for you: you will eat this year what grows of itself, in the second year what springs from the same, and in the third year sow, reap, plant vineyards, and eat their fruit.

II Kings 19:29 (NASB)

Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so.

Genesis 1:11 (NIV)

And God said, "See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.

Genesis 1:29 (NKJV)

He will also send you rain for the seed you sow in the ground, and the food that comes from the land will be rich and plentiful. In that day your cattle will graze in broad meadows.

Isaiah 30:23 (NIV)

The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us. May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Psalms 67:6-7 (NIV)

He causes the grass to grow for the cattle, and vegetation for the labor of mankind, so that they may produce food from the earth.

Psalms 104:14 (NASB)

You were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

I Corinthians 6:20 (NIV)

Because of your obedience, the Lord your God will keep his part of the contract which, in his tender love, he made with your fathers. And he will love you and bless you and make you into a great nation. He will make you fertile and give fertility to your ground and to your animals, so that you will have large crops of grain, grapes, and olives, and great flocks of cattle, sheep, and goats when you arrive in the land he promised your fathers to give you.

Deuteronomy 7:12-13 (TLB)

THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Protect religious expression in public institutions.*** America's first freedom is religious freedom, which guarantees the right of each individual to practice their faith at home and in public. Religion was never meant to be apart from government; it was meant to be the guide to morally-based policy making. Every individual has the right to express their sincerely held religious beliefs not only in private, but in public.

- ★ ***Support faith-based adoption and foster care services.*** Faith-based organizations have long been the leading voice for the unborn and vulnerable children. In recent years, the radical left has resolved to undermine these ministries and their faith-based approach to adoption, foster care, and family support services such as pregnancy resource centers and family preservation work offered by faith-based organizations. These organizations must be protected and their reach must be expanded to provide assistance to mothers and fathers who need it most.

Statistics

58% OF ADULTS SAID ***IT'S OK FOR RELIGIOUS CHAPLAINS TO PROVIDE SUPPORT IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.***

(AP-NORC CENTER FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS JUNE 2025)

95% OF AMERICANS HAVE HEARD OF THE **FIRST AMENDMENT, AND NINE IN 10 AGREE IT IS VITAL.** (FREEDOM FORUM, SEPTEMBER 25, 2025)

59% OF US ADULTS EXPRESS A **POSITIVE VIEW OF RELIGION'S INFLUENCE** ON AMERICAN LIFE. (PEW RESEARCH CENTER, OCTOBER 20, 2025)

58% SAY THEY FEEL AT LEAST SOME CONFLICT BETWEEN THEIR **RELIGIOUS BELIEFS AND MAINSTREAM AMERICAN CULTURE.** (PEW RESEARCH CENTER SURVEY (MAY 5-11, 2025))



5

Sanctity of Life

The right to life is the foundation of every other freedom we enjoy. America must be a nation that values and defends innocent life, especially the unborn. We must work to build a culture of life where every child, regardless of circumstances, is welcomed, cherished and protected. That includes ending taxpayer funding for abortion, holding Planned Parenthood accountable, and supporting alternatives like adoption, pregnancy resource centers, and foster care.



KEY SCRIPTURES

Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you as a prophet to the nations.

Jeremiah 1:5

Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image.

Genesis 9:6

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

Genesis 1:27

For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book, they all were written, The days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them.

Psalms 139:13-16

Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; before you were born, I sanctified you; I ordained you as a prophet to the nations.

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Genesis 1:27

Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth.

Psalms 127:3-4 (NIV)

THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Defund Planned Parenthood and support policies that protect life.*** For too long, women have been told that their only option in an unexpected pregnancy is abortion. It's time to support alternatives, and it starts by defunding Planned Parenthood. American mothers deserve better.
- ★ ***Support funding pregnancy resource centers.*** Pregnancy centers across the country provide valuable services to expecting mothers and their families. These centers deserve the support that Planned Parenthood has enjoyed for decades.
- ★ ***Make adoption more accessible and provide comprehensive support for mothers who choose to carry to term.*** Parents should be supported with childcare and financial assistance to raise their own children whenever possible, and adoption services must be streamlined and made more accessible for American families.
- ★ ***Support policies that aid working American parents.*** American families have to come first. This begins with providing generous tax credits for growing families.

Statistics

73% OF WHITE EVANGELICAL PROTESTANTS THINK **ABORTION SHOULD BE ILLEGAL IN ALL OR MOST CASES.**

(PEW RESEARCH CENTER, JUNE 12, 2025)

43% OF AMERICANS IDENTIFY AS **PRO-LIFE.**

(GALLUP
JUNE 9, 2025)

46% OF LIKELY U.S. VOTERS **APPROVE OF THE COURT OVERTURNING ROE V. WADE.**

(RASMUSSEN REPORTS, JUNE 11, 2025)

60% OF REGISTERED **VOTERS AGREE WITH ELIMINATING PLANNED PARENTHOOD'S PUBLIC FUNDING**

(CRC RESEARCH, JUNE 2025)



6

Defending Women and Protecting Children

America must protect children from harmful ideologies that seek to erase the reality of biological sex. We cannot stand by while young people are subjected to irreversible gender transition procedures, purposefully confused by radical gender theory and robbed of their innocence in the name of political correctness. Women should not have to compete against men in sports or share private spaces like locker rooms and bathrooms with men. This is common sense—it's about safety and fairness. Title IX was meant to ensure equal opportunities for women and girls, not to be twisted into a tool that erases them. We must restore clarity in law and policy that sex is biological, not subjective. Protecting women and girls means protecting their spaces, their sports, and their rights

KEY SCRIPTURES

“Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.”

1 Corinthians 6:18 (NKJV)

But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

1 Timothy 5:8 (NASB)



I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

III John 1:4 (NIV)

Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth.

Psalm 127:3–4 (NIV)

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Ephesians 6:4 (NASB)

Grandchildren are the crown of the old, and the glory of sons is their fathers.

Proverbs 17:6 (NASB)

The Christian who is pure and without fault, from God the Father's point of view, is the one who takes care of orphans and widows, and who remains true to the Lord—not soiled and dirtied by his contacts with the world.

James 1:27 (TLB)

A father of the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in His holy habitation.

Psalm 68:5 (NKJV)

Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.

Psalm 82:3 (NIV)

But Jesus called for the little ones, saying, "Allow the children to come to Me, and do not forbid them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

Luke 18:16 (NASB)

Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he grows older he will not abandon it.

Proverbs 22:6 (NASB)

THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Ban gender transition procedures for minors.*** Children are under attack by the radical left, and fighting back begins by passing legislation that codifies President Trump's Executive Order (EO 14187), Protecting Children from gender transition procedures.
- ★ ***Prohibit teaching of gender ideology in K-12 classrooms.*** The radical left is using the school system to manipulate children with gender ideology. Public schools must eradicate this dangerous ideology from the curriculum.
- ★ ***Ensure medical professionals are not forced to participate in gender transitions.*** Doctors and healthcare providers must be protected by law, and not forced to participate in gender transitions.
- ★ ***Reinforce that biological sex is the standard for athletic participation.*** Women's sports must be protected by keeping them for women only. This begins by codifying in law President Trump's Executive Order (EO 14201), Keeping Men Out of Women's Sports.
- ★ ***Protect girls' locker rooms, restrooms, and overnight accommodations.*** Women and girls should not be forced to use the same restroom and locker room as men or boys. Congress must codify EO 14201 into law.
- ★ ***Ensure Title IX is enforced to protect female athletes.*** Women athletes need to be protected. Title IX must be enforced properly to safeguard the future of women and girls.

Statistics

69% OF U.S. ADULTS SAY THAT TRANSGENDER ATHLETES SHOULD **PARTICIPATE ONLY ON SPORTS TEAMS THAT MATCH THEIR BIRTH SEX.** (GALLUP, JUNE 2025)

59% OF **AMERICANS AREN'T COMFORTABLE** WITH THE IDEA OF **TRANSGENDER STUDENTS USING A BATHROOM** OF THEIR **CHOICE** (CBS NEWS, JUNE 8, 2025).



7

Parental Rights

Parents are the first and most important educators, protectors, and decision-makers in a child's life. America First policies support the notion that the government exists to serve families, not replace them. We must return control of education to parents, from banning inappropriate curriculum and gender ideology in schools to ensuring transparency in what's taught in the classroom, to parents deciding where their children go to school, not their ZIP code.

KEY SCRIPTURES

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Proverbs 22:6 (NASB)

THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Affirm parental rights as fundamental and God-given.*** Parents have primacy in their decisions covering the care, custody, education, and upbringing of children; government interference should be limited to only the most compelling circumstances.
- ★ ***Require transparency in school curricula and parental opt-out rights.*** Parents should not be forced to expose their children to a dangerous curriculum that runs contrary to their sincerely held beliefs. Furthermore, every parent should have the right to choose the school their children attend.
- ★ ***Expand school choice nationwide, putting parents back in charge.*** School choice is a key to the success of any child. Their future should not be decided by a ZIP code.
- ★ ***End the U.S. Department of Education, returning control to the states.*** The Department of Education has become another bloated federal bureaucracy that exercises too much power over state and local schools. Education belongs to the states, not the federal government.
- ★ ***Defend the rights of parents to make medical decisions for their children.*** No parent should be forced into a medical decision for their children. From vaccination schedules to other medical decisions, parents have the right to make decisions for their children.

Statistics

74% OF **AMERICANS SUPPORT** EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS (ESAS) AS WAY TO **EXPAND PARENTS' OPTIONS** IN SCHOOLING. (EDCHOICE, SEPTEMBER 2025)

59% OF SCHOOL PARENTS FEEL THAT **EDUCATION IS ON THE WRONG TRACK IN AMERICA** (EDCHOICE, SEPTEMBER 2025)

73% OF REGISTERED VOTERS BELIEVE **SCHOOL-CHOICE SHOULD BE OPEN** TO ALL FAMILIES. (AMERICAN FEDERATION FOR CHILDREN, SEPTEMBER 2025)

59% OF **PARENTS SAID THEY SUPPORTED USING PUBLIC FUNDS** TO SEND CHILDREN TO PRIVATE OR RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS (EDWEEK, AUGUST 2025)



8

Peace Through Strength, at Home and Abroad

The measure of America's greatness is not in how loudly we talk, but how powerfully we act. Peace does not come from weakness, apologies, or endless diplomacy—it comes from the unstoppable strength of a nation ready to defend its people, its interests, and its future. Under the leadership of President Donald J. Trump, America's strength is being restored. Israel stands on the front lines of defending Western Civilization and our shared Judeo-Christian values. When Israel is strong, America is stronger. When America leads, peace prevails.



KEY SCRIPTURES

The Lord had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. “I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

Genesis 12:1-3 (NIV)

When the righteous are in authority and become great, the people rejoice; but when the wicked man rules, the people groan and sigh.

Proverbs 29:2 (AMP)

Without wise leadership, a nation is in trouble; but with good counselors there is safety.

Proverbs 11:14 (TLB)

If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all people.

Romans 12:18 (NASB)

“Because of the devastation of the poor, because of the groaning of the needy, Now I will arise,” says the Lord; “I will put him in the safety for which he longs.”

Psalms 12:5 (NASB)

In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Psalms 4:8 (NIV)

Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good, to slander no one, to be peaceable and considerate, and always to be gentle toward everyone.

Titus 3:1-2 (NIV)

For the Lord your God is the one who goes with you to fight for you against your enemies to give you victory.

Deuteronomy 20:4 (NIV)

THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Rebuild the Arsenal of Freedom:*** We will unchain our innovators, rebuild our supply chains, and make every bolt and circuit right here in America. The next era of peace will be secured not by weakness or words, but by the unstoppable power of American industry and ingenuity.
- ★ ***Exercise Naval Supremacy:*** For more than two centuries, America's command of the seas has been critical for commerce and peace. Today, as China builds a massive navy, our shipyards have fallen behind. We must rebuild our fleet, modernize our shipyards, and dominate the seas.
- ★ ***Stand up to China, Enforce Reciprocity:*** China plays by its own rules, stealing our technology, flooding our country with fentanyl, and buying our land. They would never allow us to do what they do to us.
- ★ ***Implement a War-Ready Culture:*** Advocate for policies for performance-based bonuses and accelerated promotions for combat proficiency.
- ★ ***Support Military Families:*** Make the culture desirable for military families, increasing school choice options and universal licensing for military spouses.
- ★ ***Keep the West Free:*** While Biden's Washington chased crisis after crisis overseas, our own western hemisphere was severely neglected, undermining our security and empowering China, Russia, and the cartel. An America First foreign policy begins in our own backyard,

reasserting our dominance but also building alliances. When the Americas are strong, America itself becomes safer, richer, and more powerful.

- ★ ***Enforce protections against antisemitic harassment on college campuses*** by tying federal funding to institutions that fail to prevent or punish intimidation of Jewish students. 'Never again' is right now. The scourge of antisemitism is once again rearing its ugly head, and leading institutions in academia have encouraged and supported antisemitic expression. These institutions must be held accountable, and the anti-Jewish hatred must be removed from colleges and universities.

Statistics

73% OF THE **MAJORITY OF AMERICANS SAY CHINA'S INFLUENCE IN THE WORLD HAS BEEN GETTING STRONGER IN RECENT YEARS** (PEW RESEARCH, APRIL 2025)

42% OF AMERICANS NAME **CHINA AS THE GREATEST THREAT TO THE U.S.** (PEW RESEARCH, APRIL 2025)

84% HOLD AN **UNFAVORABLE VIEW OF HAMAS.** (PEW RESEARCH CENTER, OCTOBER 2025)

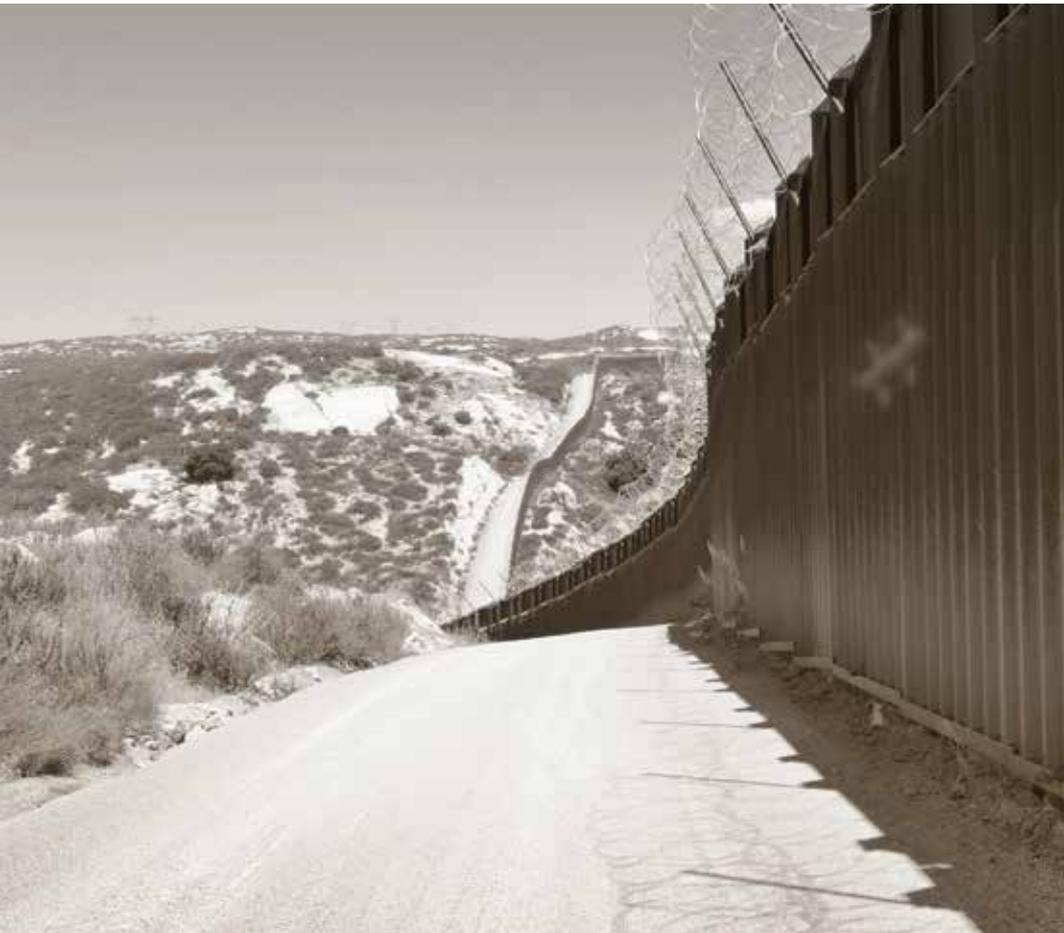
11% OF **TODAY'S YOUTH HAVE A PROPENSITY TO SERVE**, ACCORDING TO DEFENSE DEPARTMENT POLLS. (WAR.GOV, JUNE 2025)



9

Safe Communities

No American should feel unsafe walking down their street, sending their kids to school, or attending church. Yet open-border policies and attacks on law enforcement have created a crisis of public safety. We must restore law and order by securing the southern border and defeating the cartels. This includes stopping the flood of fentanyl and deporting violent offenders.



KEY SCRIPTURES

You must be impartial in judgment. Use accurate measurements—lengths, weights, and volumes—and give full measure.

Leviticus 19:35 (TLB)

Woe to those who enact unjust statutes and to those who constantly record harmful decisions.

Isaiah 10:1 (NASB)

Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.

Romans 13:1 (NKJV)

Because of the devastation of the afflicted, because of the groaning of the needy, Now I will arise," says the Lord; "I will place him in the safety for which he longs."

Psalms 12:5 (AMP)

I will both lie down in peace, and sleep; for You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Psalms 4:8 (NKJV)

THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Enforce Consequences for Crime:*** End catch-and-release policies for violent offenders and require mandatory life sentences for child traffickers and sexual abusers. Dismantle radical groups like Antifa that threaten public safety.
- ★ ***Honor the Badge:*** Officers should focus on keeping people safe—not navigating political agendas. Give them the tools, training, and respect they need to uphold the law and protect our communities. End anti-police witch hunts and restore morale. It's time to change the culture to honor the honorable.
- ★ ***Crack Down on Domestic Terrorist Groups:*** Expose and dismantle the financial networks of radical organizations like Antifa and Students for Palestine that terrorize communities and disrupt everyday life.
- ★ ***Second Chances for Those Who Earn Them:*** Reform prisons, improve re-entry support, and reduce the chances of someone leaving prison only to reoffend. Expand programs that build skills, strengthen families, and prepare inmates for honest work and parenthood. · Alternative Punishments for the Addicted and Mentally Ill: Those struggling with addiction or mental illness should receive accountability focused on treatment, work, and rehabilitation.
- ★ ***End the Weaponization of Government:*** Your tax dollars should never be used to silence dissent or target ordinary citizens—it should be a crime to do so. Hold federal agencies accountable so that justice serves the people, not political interests.

Statistics

81% OF AMERICANS SAY THAT **CRIME IS A MAJOR CONCERN** SPECIFICALLY IN LARGE CITIES. (AP-NORC, AUGUST 2025)

53% OF **U.S. ADULTS APPROVE OF HOW DONALD TRUMP** IS HANDLING CRIME. (AP-NORC, AUGUST 2025).

48% OF AMERICANS SAY THEY **FEEL SAFE IN THE STATE** THEY CALL HOME (SAFEWISE, JULY 2025)

48% SAY **CRIME HAS INCREASED** NATIONALLY (NPR/IPSOS, SEPTEMBER 2025).

71% SAY **CRIME/VIOLENCE** IN U.S. CITIES IS **UNACCEPTABLY HIGH**. (NPR/IPSOS, SEPTEMBER 2025)

49% BELIEVE **CRIME HAS INCREASED** (GALLUP, OCTOBER 2025)

77% OF **LIKELY VOTERS** ARE AT LEAST SOMEWHAT **CONCERNED ABOUT VIOLENT CRIME**; 44% ARE “VERY CONCERNED” (RASMUSSEN REPORTS, OCTOBER 2025)



10

Secure Our Elections: Easy to Vote, Hard to Cheat

Abomination is a strong word, and the Bible uses it sparingly. Yet, the Bible's wisdom book, Proverbs, tells us that "a false balance is an abomination to the Lord" (Proverbs 11:1). Likewise, the Scriptures are full of condemnation for cheating, bribery, injustice, and falsehood.

As Christians, we must admonish any infiltration of lying and cheating into our society, and this includes our election system, especially if we are to restore and preserve its integrity. No republic or representative democracy can survive long without widespread confidence in the fairness and legitimacy of the electoral process. Without that confidence, our Nation will dissolve further into partisan chaos. Our extraordinary Nation will tear itself apart. Every eligible voter should have the opportunity to cast one ballot that is counted once, and not have their vote diluted or nullified by cheating.

These truths speak directly to the importance of restoring and preserving integrity and transparency in America's voting and vote-counting processes. No republic or representative democracy can survive long without widespread confidence in the fairness and legitimacy of the electoral process. Without that confidence, our nation will dissolve further into partisan chaos. Our extraordinary nation will tear itself apart. Every eligible voter should have the opportunity to cast one ballot that is counted once. Anything that fails this simple test is a failure of the system, and the people responsible for that system should be held accountable. One fraudulent vote, or one administrative mistake, is one too many when it comes to protecting each sacred vote. The best election integrity policies make it easy to vote and hard to cheat.

One way of effectively protecting the validity of every vote and voter is the requirement of a government-issued photo ID at the time of voting. Seventy-one percent of Americans support the requirement of a photo ID to prove a person's identity when casting a ballot. A common argument against an ID requirement is that there would be a disproportionate impact on minority populations. However, this argument does not consider the fact that photo IDs are already required to buy alcohol, board a domestic flight, drive a car, and open

a bank account—all activities in which the broader public, including minority populations, regularly participate. In fact, 26 states have already established requirements for government-issued IDs for the purpose of voting.

Moreover, voter rolls should be accurate, transparent, and cleaned regularly to protect against voter fraud. It is really a simple moral concept. No one should be able to assume another citizen's vote after they pass. Nor should a voter who transfers citizenship from one state to another be able to remain registered to vote in the former state. The only way to protect against malfeasance is to maintain the integrity of the voter rolls diligently.

There are many areas that require reform and vigilance to ensure that ballots are counted accurately and in a timely manner, which is crucial to making it easy to vote but hard to cheat. Learn more about what AFPI is doing to ensure that America's elections, at every level, are transparent, fair, and just.

Ensuring ballots are counted accurately and in a timely manner is crucial to making it easy to vote but hard to cheat. We must also advocate for measures that protect the chain of custody for ballots between the time they are cast and the time they are counted. Ballot harvesting is the transportation of ballots to various voting locations by a third party on behalf of a voter or group of voters. This process allows for abuse of the ballot chain of custody and for ballots to be placed in boxes without proper monitoring. States should prioritize transparency and accountability by ensuring that ballot harvesting is not a means by which individuals can cheat and disrupt the integrity of the election process.

In 2020, under the guise of wanting to assist with COVID-19 relief efforts, the Zuckerberg Foundation sent half a billion dollars to local government election entities. State governments promised to use the funds for personal protective equipment (PPE) and voter turnout efforts. However, this private money was instead used by election officials to target certain areas and voter groups. This practice of giving money to election officials to influence an election erodes Americans' confidence in free and fair elections. In the 2024 election, America First election integrity activities and interventions discouraged the use of practices that once illegally altered our election procedures. The efforts of AFPI allowed states to maintain proper control over their elections.

The America First Agenda will continue to promote policies that ensure every citizen eligible to vote can do so easily. Our motto is, and will always be, "Make it easy to vote and hard to cheat." America's elections, at every level, must be transparent, fair, and just.



THE AMERICA FIRST AGENDA

- ★ ***Vote by Paper Ballot:*** All votes should be cast via paper ballot, with rare exceptions. Mail-in voting should be limited to military personnel overseas or voters with verified medical needs.
- ★ ***Election Day, Not Election Season:*** We must return to a single, unified Election Day, not an extended election season. Early voting and extended voting periods should end, and mail-in ballots should be returned to the proper election office in their state by Election Day. Americans should never have to wait weeks to know who won an election.
- ★ ***Voter ID Required:*** Requiring a government-issued ID for all in-person and absentee voting protects the integrity of the vote while ensuring access for all eligible voters. Secure mail-in ballots with the use of unique voter identifiers.
- ★ ***Only Citizens Vote:*** Voting in U.S. elections should be reserved exclusively for American citizens.
- ★ ***Ban Ranked Choice Voting:*** Ranked choice voting creates confusion, delays results, and undermines voter confidence.
- ★ ***Voting Machines Made in America:*** American elections should be controlled only by American technology and workers. Voting machines must be manufactured in the United States to prevent foreign interference.
- ★ ***No Foreign Money in Elections:*** Not a single penny of foreign money should be spent influencing our elections. Every dollar used to win American votes or support candidates must come from American citizens and lawful entities only.
- ★ ***Reclaiming Representation:*** Correct the injustices of the 2020 Census and restore fair redistricting so every American citizen—not illegal aliens or blue-state manipulation—determines their own political power.

Statistics

83% SUPPORT **REQUIRING ALL VOTERS** TO SHOW GOVERNMENT-ISSUED **PHOTO IDENTIFICATION TO VOTE.**

(PEW RESEARCH CENTER, AUGUST 21, 2025)

91% FAVOR REQUIRING STATES TO REGULARLY CLEAN VOTER ROLLS BY **REMOVING PEOPLE WHO HAVE DIED, MOVED, OR ARE NOT CITIZENS.** (RMG RESEARCH, INC., JANUARY 21, 2025)

86% SUPPORT **PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP** TO REGISTER TO VOTE. (RMG RESEARCH, INC., JANUARY 21, 2025)

8% SUPPORT **REQUIRING ALL MAIL-IN BALLOTS** TO BE RECEIVED BY ELECTION DAY. (RMG RESEARCH, INC., JANUARY 21, 2025)

80% SUPPORT **PROHIBITING THE USE OF VOTING MACHINES** THAT CAN BE ACCESSED REMOTELY THROUGH THE INTERNET. (RMG RESEARCH, INC., JANUARY 21, 2025)

KEY SCRIPTURES

“You shall do no injustice in judgment, in measurement of length, weight, or volume. You shall have honest scales, honest weights, an honest ephah, and an honest hin: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.”

Leviticus 19:35–36 (NKJV)

“False weights and unequal measures— the LORD detests double standards of every kind.”

Proverbs 20:10 (NLT)



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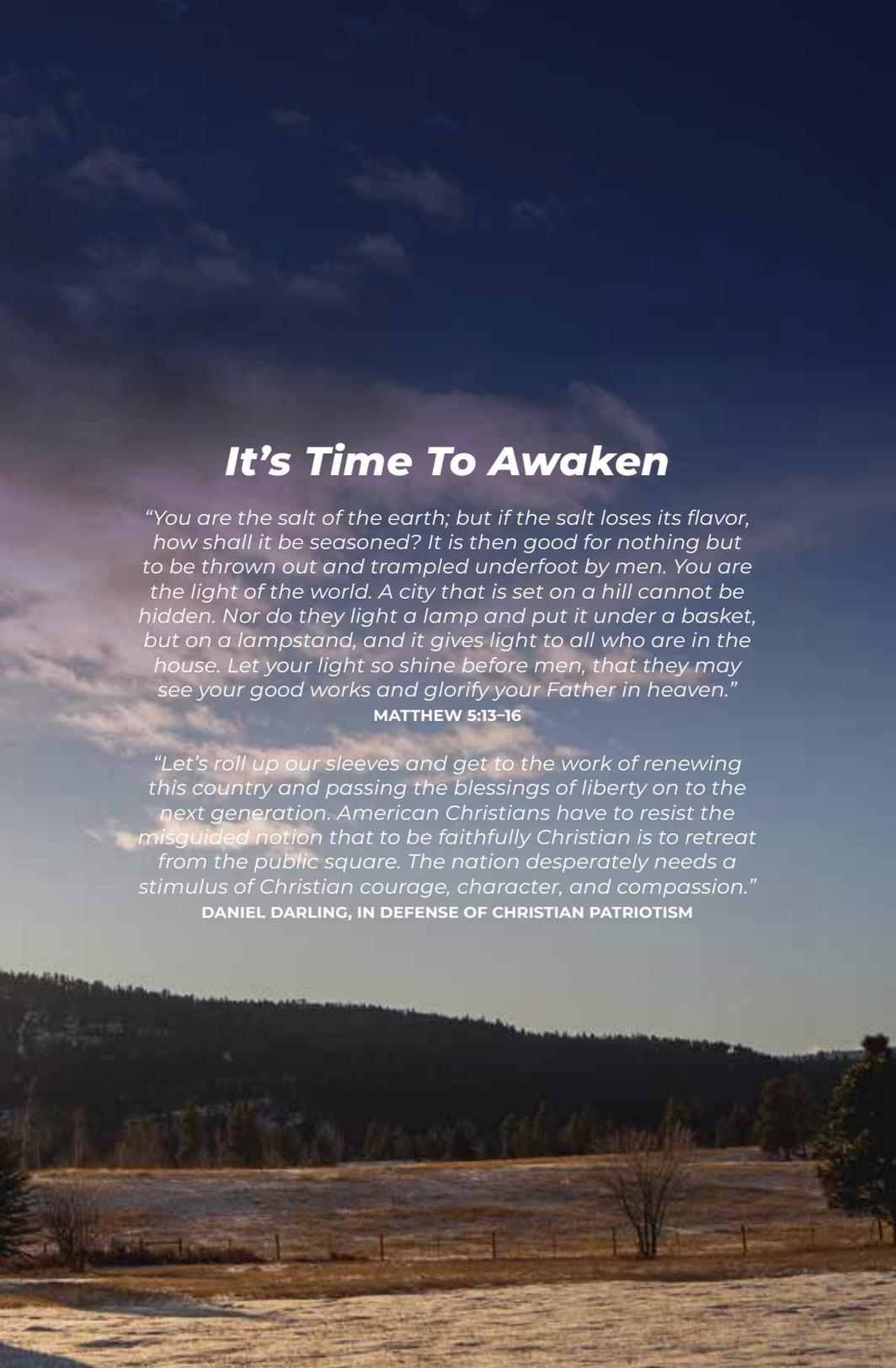
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In Action



The background of the entire page is a landscape photograph. It shows a wide, open field in the foreground, possibly a meadow or farm field, with some sparse vegetation and a fence line. In the middle ground, there is a dense forest of evergreen trees covering a hillside. The sky is a deep blue with scattered, light-colored clouds, suggesting a clear but slightly overcast day. The overall tone is serene and natural.

It's Time To Awaken

"You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

MATTHEW 5:13-16

"Let's roll up our sleeves and get to the work of renewing this country and passing the blessings of liberty on to the next generation. American Christians have to resist the misguided notion that to be faithfully Christian is to retreat from the public square. The nation desperately needs a stimulus of Christian courage, character, and compassion."

DANIEL DARLING, IN DEFENSE OF CHRISTIAN PATRIOTISM



American Values

The core of American government is, as the Declaration of Independence states, “to secure these rights,” namely, “life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.” Today, a dizzying array of ideas and influences counter to foundational American Values threaten our inalienable rights and our democratic republic system of government. The America First Policy Institute’s Center for American Values will advance messaging, policies, and litigation that respect and protect life, uphold God-given liberties, preserve freedoms of expression, and restore basic ideals and values that propel a prosperous society. In the same vein, the Center for American Values also features the “Second Chances Project,” which aims to address America’s incarceration problem through a faith-based lens and confront the root causes of crime: broken families and a lack of faith.





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Dr. Richard Rogers is from Flowery Branch, Georgia, and serves AFPI as Vice Chair of American Values. He earned his doctorate from Pepperdine University. Dr. Rich is currently on Free Chapel College's executive team and has served as the president for the last five years. In addition to his many roles at Free Chapel, he also served as a professor at Pepperdine University for over 20 years and has helped train over 2,000 teachers in Los Angeles schools. He formerly served as a high school administrator and football coach at one of the top football programs in America, Mater Dei High School, and was a part of five California State Championships and two USA Today and Sports Illustrated National Championships. During the Trump administration, he regularly met with faith directors from various departments and agencies.



The thirteen stripes remind us of the struggle that the thirteen colonies had in protecting themselves from the increasing tyranny of imperial England. The colors—red for valor, white for purity, and blue for justice and perseverance—remind us of sacrifice, noble intentions, and the ongoing struggle to live out the ideals of the Declaration of Independence and Constitution. The field of stars reminds us of unity—the Union—preciously held together during the dissension of the nineteenth century, a civil war, periods of regional injustice, and national growth.

As Christians, these reflections also remind us that our categories of sacrifice, neighbor-love, and justice all originate in God's ordering of this world.

G.K. Chesterton



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