

# IT'S TIME

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Some years ago I was discussing with a group of senior church leaders the need to dismiss a certain staff member. The leadership pointed out that the church had just mailed several hundred videos throughout the community from which they were expecting a large influx of new visitors resulting from that promotional activity. Therefore, now was not the right time to dismiss that staff member; it would look bad to those new visitors that would be attending during the next few weeks. My response to the church leadership was, "Tell me, then, when is the right time to do the right thing?" Silence! Absolute non-committal silence!

I now ask you, "When is the right time to do the right thing?" In this case I am not talking about an event that happened 20 years ago, I am talking about now. I am not talking church but politics. My question has to do with abandoning the perception, or misperception, that now is not the right time to switch your political support to a relatively new political party, specifically, the Constitution Party.

Many of you are reluctant to support the Constitution Party which is the only Party currently and openly supporting the Constitution as given to us by our founding fathers. Your fear of another 4 years of Obama causes you to conclude, "Anyone but Obama" and not without some justification. There is no doubt he is out to destroy America as he continues to mercilessly trample the Constitution. And there is little doubt that a second Obama term will be far worse than the first from the standpoint of trampling all over the Constitution that he swore to uphold and defend against all enemies foreign and domestic. "Liar!!" as Congressman Joe Wilson so eloquently phrased it before being silenced by the Obama complicit Republican leadership. A number of people wonder how could someone, specifically Obama, who studied Constitutional Law in

college, be so ignorant of the Constitution? I submit to you that he did not study the Constitution to uphold it but to learn how to destroy it. As noted by Sun Tzu many centuries ago in *The Art of War*, to defeat your enemy you need to know your enemy. Just as General Patton defeated Rommel in the desert by reading and rereading Rommel's book *Infantry Attacks*, so Obama has studied the Constitution, not to uphold it but to destroy it.

A number of you, including affiliate supporters of such basically Constitutionally Conservative groups as the TEA Party, Freedom Works, the Heritage Foundation, Patriot Post, and many others are out to reform the Republican Party into a Constitutionally conservative majority. Currently, while differentiated by fundraising and the search for members, many of these groups now have one thing in common . to elect anyone but Obama, even if that someone is a super moderate like Mitt Romney. They will continue to try to convince you that they, with your support, can change the Republican Party from the bottom up, as currently espoused by no greater "Saint of Conservatism" than Rush Limbaugh. At this point, I would hope that it is becoming more and more obvious that all of these organizations combined have not made a dent in transforming the established Republican Party leadership towards any measure of Constitutional conservatism. My own Congressman, House Speaker John Boehner, at a TEA Party rally in Cincinnati before the 2010 elections promised a change in direction of the Republican Party to a TEA Party type conservatism. The challenge he issued was, "Don't listen to what we say; watch what we do." Well, Mr. Boehner, as I have written to you on several occasions, we are watching and we are not happy!! What he did was hire the troubled former head of the Republican Party, moderate to liberal (pro-abortion; pro-gay marriage; pro-liberal ad infinitum) Michael Steele, as his Chief of Staff. After being upset in the Indiana Republican Primaries by TEA Party backed Richard Mourdock, Richard Lugar, GOP's longest-tenured Senator along with Senator Orin Hatch of Utah, warned in writing regarding Mourdock's "unrelenting partisan mind-set." "He will achieve little as a legislator unless he changes his strict conservatism on governing." I see this warning to Mourdock as regarding his effectiveness with respect to the established Republican Party more than any concern about his interactions with the Democrats.

Regarding the presumed Republican Presidential nominee, even if Mitt Romney does defeat Obama, he will make no fundamental changes that will ultimately put America on the pathway back to liberty, freedom, and prosperity. He was the architect of Obamacare that he promises to repeal. But, I can almost guarantee you that Obamacare will never be repealed by the likes of Romney or the Republican Party, much less the Democratic Party. As evidence of this, just this past week it leaked out that the Congressional Republican leadership planned their course of action to preserve various parts of Obamacare should it be completely overturned by the Supreme Court next month. Do you get that? The Republicans are already planning what they are going to require private insurance companies to provide (at no additional cost to the consumer) irrespective of whether or not it is overturned by the Supreme Court. Romney's idea of repeal will most likely be to tweak it until it is acceptable, particularly to the States currently suing the Federal Government over Obamacare, and to those organizations that have already been excused from the program by the Obama administration. Of course, based upon last week's revelation, the Congressional Republican leadership may well beat Romney to the punch.

Romney, while claiming to defend traditional marriage as between a man and a woman, recently appointed an openly gay person and advocate, Richard Grenell, to be his national security and foreign policy advisor. When Grenell resigned over the firestorm caused by his appointment, Romney stated that, "his campaign hires people not based upon their ethnicity, or their sexual preference or their gender but upon their capability." On Fox News on May 10<sup>th</sup>, while repeating his opposition to gay marriage, Mr. Romney stated outright that he did not oppose gay couples adopting children. WHAT?!?! How sick!! While Governor of Massachusetts, Romney actually signed the Gay Marriage Act for that state, the first in the nation. And during his first campaign for President four years ago, Romney promised "to do more for the gay and lesbian community than Ted Kennedy." If Romney is elected President, fully expect Robert Grenell and/or others of the same sexual orientation, lifestyle, and advocacy to resurface in one or more cabinet positions, or even possibly nominated to the Supreme Court or other Federal judgeships.

Romney also refused to defend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment of the Constitution when he was Governor of Massachusetts. During a gubernatorial campaign debate he promised ~~not~~ to do anything to chip away at (the State's) extremely restrictive gun laws.+ He further stated, ~~We~~ We do have tough gun laws in Massachusetts; I support them. I won't chip away at them; I believe they protect us and provide for our safety.+ He obviously does not understand the overarching purpose of the Second Amendment. So what makes one believe he is now going to defend it any more than Obama? You should fully expect President Romney to support the U.N. Arms Trade Treaty that is a blatant, yet back door, attack on our sovereignty, our Constitution, and our very lives. While Romney claims to have had a change of heart with respect to abortion (and I will thank God for any true change he has had), he still is suspect from the standpoint of the change being too politically expedient as is the case with a number of his positions which he does not adequately defend such that there is a convincing argument that he has had a true change of heart/mind, only a politically expedient one. And my guess is that he is willing to accede to numerous exceptions regarding abortion, much less our personal right to bear arms. What gives anyone any confidence that he will appoint true Constitutionally conservative morally upright judges that will wholly defend the Constitution, including the right to life, the right to bear arms, the rights of the states, etc.? With respect to the Supreme Court, Romney is much more likely to appoint a moderate/liberal in the mold of the George H.W. Bush's (Bush 1) appointment of David Souter to the Supreme Court.

But I understand that in many of your minds, Romney is not truly the issue regarding reforming the Republican Party. Like the call from the Young Republicans I received recently, conservative grassroots change is about changing it at the local level and in a particular the Congress. Do you truly believe that anytime soon any of you will displace John Boehner or Mitch McConnell from their positions of power, authority, and influence? A number of TEA Party supported Senate and Congressional seats were won in 2010, and John Boehner once again became Speaker of the House. As far as I can ascertain, not one TEA Party candidate, including the self-anointed TEA Party leader, Michelle Bachmann, was given or elected to any primary Party positions of leadership or given any key Committee Chairmanships. It is basically the same thing in

the Senate with maybe one exception. What Boehner and McConnell have not done is stop Obama and his minions from trampling the Constitution.

In 1981, a book, *The 5,000 Year Leap*, was first published, (during Reagan's first year) to provide a book which laid out the great ideas of the Founders so that even a new Congressman could read as he ran and get a fairly good comprehension of the Founders' ingenious success formula. In 1973, the Heritage Foundation was founded to perform timely, accurate research on key policy issues and effectively market these findings to our primary audiences: members of Congress, key congressional staff members, policymakers in the executive branch, the nation's news media, and the academic and policy communities. They also give extensive briefings to incoming members of Congress. And there are others of similar bent. Overall they have made no difference in changing the slope of decline away from Constitutional government as given to us by our founding fathers.

A correspondent friend who works for a conservative think tank in Washington recently wrote to me asking, "Would you consider trying for compromises that improve our situation and then working towards more compromises until we get what we need?" I am convinced this is the position currently of many in the conservative camp. My response to the question was, "We have been trying that for 50 years that I can remember and it has not worked. We have only continued the downhill slide, just at differing slopes depending upon who was in control. Not so steep under Reagan . but still downhill . but very steep under Clinton and Obama and steeper than expected under both Bush 1 and 2. How long do you suggest we continue compromising and at what point do you believe it will be different? Remember Einstein's definition of insanity . Insanity is doing the same thing over and over while expecting different results. So how long do we continue doing the same thing but expecting different results? How long do we continue the insanity? Compromise is always in the direction away from Constitutional conservatism, never towards it."

Certainly there is much more that I could write in my attempt to convince you of the futility of trying to reform the Republican Party as most of us in the Constitution Party have finally realized. My fervent hope, however, is that the above stimulates your

thinking such that you will come up with all the additional arguments and reasons on your own, and of your own accord, realize the futility of trying to fix the duopoly of Republicrats currently in charge of nearly every aspect of our lives. Remember, it was the Republicans who gave us the Patriot Act, the most devastating legislation in history with respect to stealing away our personal freedoms and liberties in the name of security (Hello Mr. TSA and Mrs. DHS). It was Benjamin Franklin, that wise forefather that warned us over 200years ago, "They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety." And certainly there are other similar warnings from some of the other founding fathers.

So, when is the right time to stand up for our freedoms, our liberties, and our lives, and more importantly, when is the right time to stand for the freedoms, liberties, and very lives of our grandchildren and their heirs for as long as the Lord may tarry? When is the right time to take action to ensure our grandchildren and their heirs are able to enjoy the unalienable rights and freedoms endowed by our Creator and halt the pathway we are currently on towards total subservience to an all-encompassing Federal Government? It is now! When is the right time to stand with the Constitution Party in taking back America and restoring fundamental principles that will ensure the freedoms, liberties, and very lives of our heritage? It is now! When is the time to actively join and support the Constitution Party in its desperate effort to recover our nation by making the fundamental changes that will return our nation to those principles embodied in the Constitution? It is now! IT'S TIME!!