



Intro

1 Cor. 4:2-In this case, moreover, it is required ^[a]of stewards that one be found trustworthy

I. Economic Issues

A. Private Property

Deut. 19:14-You shall not move your neighbor's boundary mark, which the ancestors have set, in your inheritance which you will inherit in the land that the LORD your God gives you to possess.

B. Econ. Self Interest

Gen. 8:21-The LORD smelled the soothing aroma; and the LORD said ^[k]to Himself, "I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the ^[l]**intent of man's heart is evil from his youth**; and I will never again ^[m]destroy every living thing, as I have done.

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Nathaniel Philbrick's bestselling book, [*Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War*](#) (New York: Penguin Books, 2007, paperback edition) From page 165 of *Mayflower*: "The fall of 1623 marked the end of Plymouth's debilitating food shortages. For the last two planting seasons, the Pilgrims had grown crops communally—the approach first used at Jamestown and other English settlements. But as the disastrous harvest of the previous fall had shown, something drastic needed to be done to increase the annual yield. In April, Bradford had decided that each household should be assigned its own plot to cultivate, with the understanding that each family kept whatever it grew. The change in attitude was stunning. Families were now willing to work much harder than they had ever worked before. In previous years, the men had tended the fields while the women tended the children at home. "The women now went willingly into the field," Bradford wrote, "and took their little ones with them to set corn." The Pilgrims had stumbled on the power of capitalism. Although the fortunes of the colony still teetered precariously in the years ahead, the inhabitants never again starved."

C. Compassion

Gen. 3:17-19-Then to Adam He said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat from it'; Cursed is the ground because of you; In ^[f]toil you will eat of it All the days of your life.¹⁸ "Both thorns and thistles it shall

grow for you; And you will eat the ^[g]plants of the field;¹⁹ By the sweat of your face You will eat bread, Till you return to the ground, Because from it you were taken; For you are dust, And to dust you shall return.”

2 Thess. 3:10-For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: **if anyone is not willing to work, then he is not to eat, either.**

1 Tim. 5:8-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.

Lev. 19:9-10-Now when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very corners of your field, nor shall you gather the gleanings of your harvest. ¹⁰ Nor shall you glean your vineyard, nor shall you gather the fallen fruit of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the needy and for the stranger. I am the LORD your God.

D. Charity

Jas. 1:27-**Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of *our* God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress,** *and* to keep oneself unstained by the world.

1 Sam. 8:10-18-So Samuel spoke all the words of the LORD to the people who had asked of him a king. ¹¹ He said, “This will be the procedure of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and place *them* for himself in his chariots and among his horsemen and they will run before his chariots. ¹² He will

appoint for himself commanders of thousands and of fifties, and *some* to ^[e]do his plowing and to reap his harvest and to make his weapons of war and equipment for his chariots. ¹³ He will also take your daughters for perfumers and cooks and bakers. ¹⁴ He will take the best of your fields and your vineyards and your olive groves and give *them* to his servants. ¹⁵ He will take a tenth of your seed and of your vineyards and give to his officers and to his servants. ¹⁶ He will also take your male servants and your female servants and your best young men and your donkeys and ^[f]use *them* for his work. ¹⁷ He will take a tenth of your flocks, and you yourselves will become his servants. ¹⁸ Then you will cry out in that day because of your king whom you have chosen for yourselves, but the LORD will not answer you in that day.”

"**Ron Paul** estimated that the poor actually receive less than 20 percent of social welfare expenditures, with the remainder absorbed by administration, fraud, and waste."

E. Family

Deut. 6:6-7-These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up.

G. Wealth Retained within the Family

Prov. 13:22-A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, And the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.

2 Cor. 12:14-Here for this third time I am ready to come to you, and I will not be a burden to you; for I do not seek what is yours, but you; for children are not responsible to save up for *their* parents, but parents for *their* children.

H. Cyclical pattern

Gen. 8:22-While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest, And cold and heat, And summer and winter, And day and night Shall not cease

I. Environmental Stewardship

Gen. 1:26-28-Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the ^[ak]sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." ²⁷ God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. ²⁸ God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the ^[al]sky and over every living thing that ^[am]moves on the earth."

Ps. 8:4-6-What is man that You ^[e]take thought of him, And the son of man that You care for him? ⁵ Yet You have made him a little lower than ^[f]God, And You crown him with glory and majesty!⁶ You make him to rule over the works of Your hands;

You have put all things under his feet,⁷ All sheep and oxen, And also the ^[g]beasts of the field,⁸ The birds of the heavens and the fish of the sea, Whatever passes through the paths of the seas.

Rom. 1:25-For they exchanged the truth of God for ^[p]a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed ^[q]forever. Amen.

Matt. 6:26-Look at the **birds** of the air, that they do not sow, nor reap nor gather into barns, and *yet* your heavenly Father feeds them. **Are you not worth much more than they?**

Matt. 12:11-12-And He said to them, “What man is there among you who has a sheep, and if it falls into a pit on the Sabbath, will he not take hold of it and lift it out? ¹² **How much more valuable then is a man than a sheep!** So then, it is lawful to do good on the Sabbath.”

J. Debt

Prov. 22:7-And the borrower *becomes* the lender’s slave.

Deut 28:12-The LORD will open for you His good storehouse, the heavens, to give rain to your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hand; **and you shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow.**

Deut. 28:44-**He shall lend to you, but you will not lend to him;** he shall be the head, and you will be the tail.

Ps. 37:21-The wicked borrows and does not pay back.

K. Limits on Government

California Congressman **Peter Stark** admitted to a constituent at a July 24th, 2010 town hall meeting concerning the federal government's constitutional authority to pass universal health care, Stark retorted, "**The Federal Government can do most anything in this country.**"

Acts 5:29-But **Peter** and the apostles answered, "**We must obey God rather than men.**"

Rev. 13:16-18-And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, ^[m]to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, ¹⁷ and *he provides* that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, *either* the name of the beast or the number of his name. ¹⁸ Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.

Deut 17:14-17-When you enter the land which the LORD your God gives you, and you possess it and live in it, and you say, 'I will set a king over me like all the nations who are around me,' ¹⁵ you shall surely set a king over you whom the LORD your God chooses, *one* from among your ^[l]countrymen you shall set as king over yourselves; you may not put a foreigner over yourselves who is not your ^[m]countryman. ¹⁶ Moreover, he shall not multiply horses for himself, nor shall he cause the people to return to Egypt to multiply horses, since the LORD has said to you, 'You shall never again return that way.' ¹⁷ He shall not multiply wives for himself, ^[n]or else his heart will turn away; nor shall he greatly increase silver and gold for himself.

Historian **David Barton** well illustrates the staggering number of laws and regulations currently suffocating our society: "We all know ignorance of the law is no excuse. If you violate a law, you suffer the penalty for it...If you take the U.S. code as it exists right now, today, if you read 700 pages a week of the U.S. code, national calculations are that you can finish the U.S. code in only 25,000 years."¹

James Madison, the Constitution's chief architect, in ***Federalist Number 62***, warned about the damage that could be inflicted upon an overly regulated society: "It will be of little avail to the people, that the laws are made by men of their own choice, if the laws be so voluminous that they cannot be read, or so incoherent that they cannot be understood; if they be repealed or revised before they are promulgated, or undergo such incessant changes that no man, who knows what the law is to-day, can guess what it will be tomorrow."

II. Social Issues

A. Protection for the unborn

Gen. 25:23-The LORD said to her, "**Two nations are in your womb**; And two peoples will be separated from your body; And one people shall be stronger than the other; And the older shall serve the younger."

¹ Erica Ricz, "David Barton Explains How You Could Be Committing Three Felonies a Day," online: <http://www.theblaze.com/stories/2014/11/04/david-barton-explains-how-you-could-be-committing-three-felonies-a-day/>, November 4, 2014, accessed 15 December 2014.

Ps. 127:3-Behold, children are a ^[c]gift of the LORD, The fruit of the **womb** is a reward

Ps. 139:13-For You formed my ^[i]inward parts; You wove me in my **mother's womb**.

Jer. 1:5-Before **I formed you in the womb** I knew you, And before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations

Luke 1:41-When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, **the baby leaped in her womb**; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

Luke 2:16-So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and **the baby** as He lay in the ^[h]manger

Luke 19:44-and they will level you to the ground and **your children within you**, and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation

Gen 4:10-He said, "What have you done? The voice of **your brother's blood is crying to Me from the ground**.

B. Protection for the elderly

Deut 28:49-50-**The LORD will bring a nation against you** from afar, from the end of the earth, as the eagle swoops down, a nation whose language you shall not understand, ⁵⁰ a nation of fierce countenance who **will have no respect for the old, nor show favor to the young**.

Jas. 1:27-**Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress,** and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Matt. 19:14-But Jesus said, "Let the children alone, and do not hinder them from coming to Me; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Lev. 19:32-**You shall rise up before the grayheaded and honor the aged,** and you shall revere your God; I am the LORD.

DENVER, March 28, 1984— Elderly people who are terminally ill have a "duty to die and get out of the way" instead of trying to prolong their lives by artificial means, **Gov. Richard D. Lamm of Colorado** said Tuesday. People who die without having life artificially extended are similar to "leaves falling off a tree and forming humus for the other plants to grow up," the Governor told a meeting of the Colorado Health Lawyers Association at St. Joseph's Hospital. "You've got a duty to die and get out of the way," said the 48-year-old Governor. "Let the others in society, our kids, build a reasonable life."

C. Homosexuality

1 Cor. 6:9-11-Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor ^[f]effeminate, nor **homosexuals**,¹⁰ nor thieves, nor *the* covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.

¹¹ Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

D. Capital Punishment

Gen. 6:11-Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with **violence**.

Gen. 9:6-Whoever **sheds** man's blood, **By man** his blood shall be shed, For in the **image of God** He made man.

Deut 13:10-11- So you shall **stone him** ^[f]**to death** because he has sought to seduce you from the LORD your God who brought you out from the land of Egypt, out of the house of ^[g]slavery.

¹¹ **Then all Israel will hear and be afraid, and will never again do such a wicked thing among you.**

Eccl. 8:11- Because the sentence against an evil deed is not executed quickly, therefore the hearts of the sons of men among them are given fully to do evil.

Rom. 13:4-for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for **it does not bear the sword for nothing**; for it is a minister of God, an avenger who brings wrath on the one who practices evil.

E. Alcohol, Gambling, Pornography

Lev. 10:9-Do not drink wine or strong drink, neither you nor your sons with you, when you come into the tent of meeting, so that you will not die—it is a perpetual statute throughout your generations—

Ephes. 5:18-And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit.

Prov. 13:11-Wealth *obtained* by fraud dwindles, but the one who gathers by labor increases *it*.

Matt. 5:27-28-You have heard that it was said, ‘YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY’; ²⁸ but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

F. Parental authority over children

Deut. 6:6-7-These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up.

Prov. 22:6-Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Eph 6:4-Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Progressive United States' President **Woodrow Wilson** was also the President of Princeton University as well as a strong advocate of the League of Nations, which was a precursor to the United Nations. Notice his philosophy of education. In a 1914 speech, he said, "I have often said that the use of a university is to make young gentlemen as unlike their fathers as possible." Woodrow Wilson, "The Power of Christian Young Men," in *Selected Adresses and Papers of Woodrow Wilson*(New York: Boni and Liverlight, 1918), 49.

G. Public expression of Christianity

Mark 16:15-And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.”

H. Right to Keep and Bear Arms

Luke 22:36-And He said to them, “But now, whoever has a money belt is to take it along, likewise also a bag, and **whoever has no sword is to sell his coat and buy one.**

Matt. 26:52-Then Jesus *said to him, “Put your sword back into its place; for all those who take up the sword shall perish by the sword.”

Prolific writer and long-time 34 year Associate Supreme Court Justice **Joseph Story** (1779–1845) during the Marshall era wrote what is considered to be an authoritative commentary on the United States Constitution (1833). Therein, Story offered the following commentary concerning the Second Amendment’s true intent:

"The next amendment is: “A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.” The importance of this article will scarcely be doubted by any persons, who have duly reflected upon the subject...The right of the citizens to keep and bear arms has justly been considered, as the palladium of the liberties of a republic; since it offers a strong moral check against the usurpation and arbitrary power of rulers; and will generally, even if these are successful in the first instance,

enable the people to resist and triumph over them... There is certainly no small danger, that indifference may lead to disgust, and disgust to contempt; and thus gradually undermine all the protection intended by this clause of our national bill of rights."

Joseph Story, *Commentaries on the Constitution of the United States* (Boston, MA: Hilliard, Gray, 1833), 3:746-747, sections 1889-1890.

R. J. Rummel in "Death by Government" calculates Democide-262,000,000. Just to give perspective on this incredible murder by government, if all these bodies were laid head to toe, with the average height being 5', then they would circle the earth ten times.

The biblical justification for the right to keep and bear arms helps explain why so many reputed men of God have not only believed in but also articulated this very legal right. One such individual was **Granville Sharpe**. Sharpe was an abolitionist who worked alongside William Wilberforce as an English campaigner against the slave trade. He was also a noted biblical scholar and Greek grammarian who articulated an important Greek grammatical principle known as the "Granville Sharpe Rule." In 1782, Sharpe explained:

"No Englishman can be truly loyal who opposed the principles of English law whereby the people are required to have arms of defence in peace, for mutual as well as private defence... The laws of England always required the people to be armed, and not only armed, but to be expert in arms."

Les Adams, *The Second Amendment Primer: A Citizen's Guidebook to the History, Sources, and Authorities for the Constitutional Guarantee of the Right to Keep and Bear Arms* (NY: Skyhorse, 2013), 63.

III. Foreign Affairs

A. National Sovereignty

Deut 32:8-When the Most High gave the **nations** their inheritance, **When He separated the sons of ^[c]man, He set the boundaries of the peoples** According to the number of the sons of Israel

Ps. 2:8-Ask of Me, and I will surely give the ^[f]**nations** as Your inheritance, And the *very* ends of the earth as Your possession.

Rev. 21:24-The **nations** will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it.

B. Borders enforcement

Roughly 1200 people come across the Rio Grande River daily and enter our country illegally.

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Acts 17:26- and He made from one *man* **every nation** of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined *their* appointed times and the **boundaries of their habitation.**

The fact of the matter is that America is the most generous country in the world when it comes to immigration. **America accepts more immigrants than any other nation on the planet. America accepts over 800,000 legal immigrants per year.**

C. Support for Israel

Gen 12:3-**And I will bless those who bless you**, And the one who curses you I will curse.

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Joel 3:2- I will gather all the nations And bring them down to the valley of ^[b]Jehoshaphat. Then I will enter into judgment with them there On behalf of My people and My inheritance, Israel, Whom they have scattered among the nations; And **they have divided up My land.**

The website "**Middle East Facts**" puts things into proper perspective when it says:

"Unlike Islam's *Koran*, which commands Muslims to force the entire planet to submit to literal control by Islam, the Jewish *Torah* promises the children of Israel a modest and reasonable allotment of land. Israel...is a democratic nation 1/19th the size of California, surrounded by 22 hostile Arab/Islamic dictatorships with 640 times her size, 60 times her population and ALL the oil. How dare Arab propagandists call Israel "expansionist!" And how dare anyone believe them! How can Israel, which occupies one-sixth of one percent of the lands

called Arab, be responsible for the political dissatisfaction of 22 Arab countries? How can the 13 million Jews in the world (almost 5 million fewer than they were in 1939!) be blamed for the problems of the 250 million Arabs, who have brotherly ties to 1.4 billion Muslims worldwide? Israel is an oasis of Western Democracy and Judeo/Christian morality in the middle of an otherwise totalitarian Arab/Muslim Middle East. For over 55 years since she became a nation in 1948, Israel has sought peaceful coexistence with neighbors dedicated to her destruction. Thus far only Egypt and Jordan have formalized a peace treaty. In reality, these two peace treaties are questionable."

http://www.mefacts.com/cached.asp?x_id=10190

Dora Von Lehe-As a young boy growing up, Richard Nixon's Christian (and a Quaker) mother told him that one day he would be in a powerful position, and a situation would arise where Israel and the Jews needed his help. When it did, he was to help them. It is reported that Nixon said he heard the voice of his mother saying these words to him when he responded to the call and plea for help from Golda Meir at 3 a.m. in October of 1973 during what is called the Yom Kippur War...Then came the attacks on October 6, 1973-a coordinated surprise attack on Yom Kippur, the holiest of days in the Jewish calendar and a time when the entire nation comes to a virtual standstill. Even non-observant Jews honor this holyday by fasting, staying home or going to synagogue, and refraining from the use of fire, electricity, and communications systems. Israel could not have been more vulnerable. There had been concern about possible attacks, but until just shortly before the attacks began, "Israeli

intelligence was not able to determine conclusively that an attack was imminent." To demonstrate how much Israel was up against: 180 Israeli tanks faced over 1400 Syrian tanks; closer to the Suez Canal, a mere 436 Israeli infantry were poised to fight over 80,000 Egyptian soldiers. The attacks by Egypt and Syria were backed by nine Arab states, as well as the Soviet Union. By the second day, the slaughtering of Israeli troops and destruction of their equipment had been such a blow, Moshe Dayan the minister of Defense, who had been a hero in the Six Day War, started talk about pulling back and even possible surrender. Golda Meir, Prime Minister of Israel, resisted this, but she did have an aid secure lethal pills from her doctor; just in case her Arab enemies prevailed, Meir would take her own life...U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Meir's relationship was to say the least a bit rocky. When assistance was requested from him, Kissinger's reported response was to let Israel 'bleed a little.' So, at 3 a.m. Golda Meir picked up the phone and called President Richard M. Nixon and asked for help. It is reported that Nixon heard the prophetic word and the voice of his mother as he listened to Meir. By the time she hung up, Golda Meir had the weapons help her country needed that swung the pendulum to Israel's favor and to bring an end to the Yom Kippur War...To this day, Richard Nixon is highly regarded in Israel. Prime Minister Golda Meir and Nixon kept in frequent touch throughout the ordeal. For the rest of Meir's life, she referred to Nixon as "my president," and said, "For generations to come, all will be told of the miracle of the immense planes from the United States bringing in the material that meant life to our people."

For example, in 1867, **Mark Twain** visited Israel. He wrote about his experiences in his book *Innocents Abroad*. In this book, he hardly describes the vibrant and prosperous Israel of today, but rather a desolate country that was devoid of both vegetation and human population. He observed:

"..... A desolate country whose soil is rich enough, but is given over wholly to weeds... a silent mournful expanse.... a desolation is here that not even imagination can grace with the pomp of life and action.... we never saw a human being on the whole route.... there was hardly a tree or shrub anywhere. Even the olive tree and the cactus, those fast friends of a worthless soil, had almost deserted the country."

Mark Twain, *The Innocents Abroad, Complete*, 1st ed. (A Public Domain Book, 1869), 267, 285, 302. These quotes can be found in chapters 47, 49, 52.

D. Peace through strength

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Conclusion

Numbers 6:24-26- The LORD bless you, and keep you;²⁵ The
LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to
you;²⁶ The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you
peace.