



Eagle Forum Prayer Meeting – November 2021

Scripture

Ephesian 6:11-12 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to ***stand against*** the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

1 Peter 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. ***Resist him***, steadfast in faith ...

James 4:7 Therefore submit to God; ***resist the devil*** and he will flee from you.

Acts 4: 18-20 So they (Jewish religious leaders) called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God you judge. ***For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.***

Application – The tale of two COVID mandates

This spring the CEO of Methodist Hospital announced that all employees must take the COVID vaccination or lose their job. Less than 1% of Methodists health care workers (178 of the 25000) refused the vaccination and were terminated.

This fall the CEO of Southwest mandated that all employees must take the COVID vaccination or lose their job. Large numbers of Southwest's staff didn't show up for work the first weekend in October forcing Southwest to cancel 3000 flights. Several days later the CEO of Southwest came out with a statement that no employees would lose their jobs for refusing to take the COVID vaccination. Delta airlines soon followed suit.

Resist is a verb that means to withstand, strive against, or oppose. The bible doesn't tell us to turn a blind eye and do nothing in the face of evil and injustice (1Peter 5:8 and James 4:7). It calls us to ***resist***. In both cases above we had essential workers risking their lives for over a year to keep planes flying and the American healthcare system running. Many of these workers got

COVID themselves and have natural immunity to the virus. These brave individuals resisted the COVID mandate but the results for the Methodist employees were radically different than the results for the Southwest employees.

If we vote, write and petition local, county, state and national officials, attend school board meeting, protests, boycott and resist in mass our voices will be heard, and we will likely prevail. But even if no one else stands with us we are still called to resist evil.

Prayer

1. Pray that God would show us how to resist evil
 - a. Pray that we are vigilant, and that God would give us a discerning spirit to recognize truth, lies, injustice and evil
 - b. Pray for wisdom and understanding; become informed, read and study so we can defend our faith and positions in honesty and truth
 - c. Vote, vote, vote
 - d. Organize (Learn from the results in Virginia and Southwest Airlines)
 - e. Write and petition political leaders and get others to do likewise
 - f. Attend school board meetings, PTA, engage with your kid's teachers, principals and superintendents. Look at your kid's text books, homework, handouts, field trips, talk to your kids and other parents about what they are being taught.
2. Pray that parent, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, friends and neighbors would organize and take back the failed education system in America.
3. Pray we would immerse ourselves in God's Word and that we would put on the full armor of God and be prepared to defend our faith and stand against the forces of evil.
4. Pray that our churches would become engaged in fighting the evil all around us.
5. Pray that God would bring about a great revival in Conroe, Montgomery County, Texas, the United States and the world.