

## **A king should not rule over America: Leaders need to rediscover what freedom mean**



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It's around 1050 B.C., and the Israelites are all looking at Samuel and saying, "Hey, Sam, it's been a great gig, but you're getting kind of old, and those two sons of yours are nothing but a couple of bums. It's time for us to have our own king. All the other Ites have a king, why not us?"

Well, Samuel was quite upset with his people, because they had never had a king. They had always relied on God. But as was his custom, before he would do anything, he decided to talk it over with God.

God told him not to worry about it, and that it was Him that they were rejecting, not Samuel. But God told Samuel to give them a stern warning about what it would be like to have a king. So Samuel told them what would happen – that their king would enslave them, tax them into oblivion, and take the things that they had earned for his own. He concluded his warning by telling the Israelites that God wasn't going to bail them out of the misery that was certain to come.

"No worries," said the Israelites, "we want a king so we can be like all the other Ites that live around here. Do they care what God thinks? Heck, no! Look how prosperous they are! The king gives them everything they need!"

So Samuel gave them their king, Saul, who at first looked to the Israelites as the ideal candidate for the job. But more often than not, Saul disobeyed God, and in fact became an evil, arrogant king who brought misery on his people, just as God had warned.

Obviously I've embellished the story a bit, and you can read the real story in I Samuel, beginning in the eighth chapter. But the story smacks of current events.

I've been listening to the news and the pundits for several weeks now about the health care bill,

and before that they were all talking about cap and trade. I suppose the difference between Americans now and the Israelites of Samuel's era is that there are still a few of us who don't want a king.

My concern is that even if we avert this crisis of unfit government and disastrous laws, those who want their king will be back again, year after year, until those of us who are old enough to remember what freedom and the constitution is will have died off.

I thought that the cap-and-trade bill was insidious, but the health care bill is much worse, because it will give the government the power to make literal life and death decisions for all of us. Most of the leaders of this nation have forgotten what real freedom is, and they have forgotten what our Constitution says. Led by a president who is, without any doubt, a Marxist, they are trying desperately to make this country like Europe, and have no regrets that they will destroy the greatest nation on the planet.

The proof that our leaders have been corrupted is obvious; when good people raise legitimate objections to the bill, they are vilified, intimidated, and humiliated. In rebuke, they lie to the American people about what is in the bill, and find plenty of support from those who put them into office.

A year ago, conservatives knew that if Hillary Clinton made it to the presidency it would be bad, but we knew that if Obama got into office, it would be much worse. Conservatives were right about Obama, and it is conservatives who are leading the charge to bring this nation back to its Godly constitutional roots where it came from and to where it belongs.

Will we be successful? Though I think that we should never stop trying, I believe it is entirely in God's hands whether or not we survive this.

When I look at how many children have been brutally murdered by abortion in this country over the past four decades, I have often wondered when God's patience with us will run out and He will remove His hand of protection from us.

If, with this so-called health care bill, we begin to eliminate the elderly, the terminally ill, the mentally handicapped and other undesirables, in the name of being fiscally prudent, will God's patience finally run out? Will He remove His hand of protection completely and give us a king to make us miserable? Or has He already given us our king?

This nation is filled with people who are easily deceived with empty promises. When will they wake up and realize what they have done? When they open their power bill and see it has doubled or tripled? When they need a prescription or an operation that will save their life, and are refused because they aren't valuable enough to society? No, even that won't wake them up.

The only thing that can save this nation is for enough people to fear and trust God again, to understand what is wrong, and have the courage to face up to the corruption, regardless of the cost.

We don't need a king; we need to acknowledge God and fight for the gift of freedom that He gave us.

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