



# **Chuck Baldwin Addresses John Birch Society**

Dr. Baldwin began his presentation by declaring that the John Birch Society (JBS) has been more faithful to constitutional government than any other organization and has been more maligned than almost any other organization because of that. He then credited his initial interest in politics to a JBS meeting his father took him to at the tender age of 10 to hear a member of the elite Green Beret speak.

An oft-repeated phrase that Dr. Baldwin said he hears on the campaign trail is, "We just need to elect more Christians to public office." The difficulty with that strategy, Dr. Baldwin commented, is that all politicians seem to turn into Christians every four years! And as he has pointed out in a number of his online columns, the lesser-of-two-evils approach that all too many Christians choose leads them to take a blind loyalty attitude towards politicians such as President George W. Bush because they believe that he is "one of us."



Dr. Baldwin went on to discuss natural law, whose content is set by "Nature's God" and is therefore applicable and valid everywhere. He stated that our nation's three founding documents, the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights are based on natural law. Hence, a politician's religious affiliation does not matter, as long as loyalty to the Constitution is shown, just as one would adhere to a contractual obligation.

Many people claim that there is no acknowledgement of God in the U.S. Constitution, and most people seem to believe that without question. But Dr. Baldwin showed the falsity of that claim by citing two passages from the Constitution. The first was from Article I, Section 7: "If any Bill shall not be returned by the President within ten Days (*Sundays excepted*) after it shall have been presented to him...." The second was from Article VII: "done in Convention by the Unanimous Consent of the States present the Seventeenth Day of September *in the Year of our Lord* one thousand seven hundred and Eighty seven...." (Emphasis added.)

Dr. Baldwin repeatedly cited biblical passages to support his claim that there is no contradiction between the Bible and the Constitution. In the case of the Second Amendment, he quoted Luke 11:21, which states, "When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace," to demonstrate our God-given right to self defense. And then there is Luke 22:36, where Jesus says, "and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one." Jesus wanted people to be able to defend themselves and the equivalent of a sword of that day would be a firearm today.



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Since Dr. Baldwin is the Constitution Party's candidate for president, it was not surprising that he eventually delivered what might pass for a stump speech, in which he discussed what he would do as president. He said that his first act as president would be to pardon imprisoned Border Patrol Agents Ignacio Ramos and Jose Compean and fire U.S. Attorney Johnny Sutton, who prosecuted their case. Then he would secure the border and push for the repeal of the North American Free Trade Agreement. He would appoint Congressman Ron Paul to be Secretary of the Treasury. His cabinet appointees would be limited to those who are not members of the internationalist Council on Foreign Relations. A Baldwin presidency would work to "Get US out of the United Nations" because, as he put it, "When we lose our sovereignty and independence, we will lose our freedom of religion." He would also work to dismantle the Internal Revenue Service and the Federal Reserve System and to repeal the 16th Amendment, which gives Congress the power to collect taxes on incomes.

Dr. Baldwin outlined the real issue of today by saying that you are either a globalist who supports such entities as the International Criminal Court, the Law of the Sea Treaty, the Security and Prosperity Partnership, and the North American Union, or you are an American. He concluded his talk by declaring that, if he is elected, "I will do everything in my power to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States!"

Click here to watch Chuck Balwin's speech at the JBS 50th anniversary.





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