

## The Angry Left vs. Middle America

by Gary Bauer

**(NOTE FROM JAN: Gary Bauer was one of my guests at "Understanding the Times 2005." He is an excellent commentator on our times. This is taken from his *End of Day Report* of October 22. Sign up for this [here](#).**

Conservative candidates in my home state of Minnesota are literally under siege including my long-time friend Rep. Michele Bachmann. Gary tells the story better than I can so please consider his words and warnings.--Jan Markell)

**Bauer begins:** In past reports, I have warned that the "angry Left" is not trying to win an election, it is trying to destroy the conservative movement. Once in power, it intends to use the force of big government to shut down Christian and conservative talk radio with the Fairness Doctrine. Pastors will be gagged by "hate crimes" legislation. Religious liberty will be further threatened when a new liberal Supreme Court majority redefines marriage in every state of the union.

Liberal labor bosses will get sweeping new powers, including stripping the right to a secret ballot from workers. Radical leftwing groups like ACORN and Planned Parenthood will get more of your tax dollars to promote left-wing candidates and causes. And all the while, "Big Media" will hail the "new Great Society" as "Joe the Plumber" is taxed to "spread the wealth" for socialized health care and "tax cuts" to those who don't pay income taxes.

But before any of this can become a reality, the Left must seize power at the ballot box. ACORN has been doing its part -- working overtime to register new voters -- real and imagined, including Mickey Mouse and a dead goldfish. It's efforts have seriously gummed up the process and are creating chaos for elections officials and poll workers in critical states. (This week, all nine Republican senators on the Judiciary Committee have signed a letter demanding an investigation into ACORN's activities. Why aren't any Democrats concerned?)

In recent weeks we have received many messages from McCain/Palin supporters telling us that their yard signs have been torn down and ripped up. I have seen it in my own neighborhood in the Washington, D.C. suburbs. Today, there is a news report that the home of Minnesota Senator Norm Coleman was vandalized. His garage was spray painted with this ominous warning: "You are a criminal. Resign or else."

Yesterday five "Code Pink" protestors interrupted a speech by Karl Rove and tried to handcuff him in a citizen's arrest for "treason." Did anyone try to arrest Harry Reid for saying the war in Iraq was "lost?" Did anyone try to arrest John Murtha for calling our Marines "cold-blooded killers?"

Now one Washington, D.C. news outlet is reporting that police departments coast-to-coast are "preparing for possible civil unrest and riots" on election day. According to *The Hill*, "Some worry that if Barack Obama loses and there is suspicion of foul play in the election, violence could ensue. Others based the need for enhanced patrols on past riots and also on Internet rumors."

This is America, not some banana republic. We have been holding peaceful elections and respectful transitions of power for over 200 years. Yet, why are police suddenly worried about riots on election day? Who will be rioting? The angry Left. The same folks who stormed the streets during the Republican National Convention; who turn out to shout obscenities at our soldiers when they are deployed overseas; who regularly shout down conservative speakers on college campuses and who protest capitalism during major economic summits.

*James Carville has already warned us that "it would be very, very, very dramatic out there if Obama loses." Carville said, "A lot of Democrats would have a great deal of angst and anger." Is that a threat?*

Friends, I almost didn't write this article today. I worry that it might demoralize and frighten some of you. But we cannot live in a spirit of fear. Men and women of faith should not try to intimidate or shout down our opponents as the Left does. We should calmly, patiently, and respectfully talk to them. We should not try to handcuff anyone. We should pray for them. We shouldn't vandalize property. We should vote!

**This is our country, too. We must not be intimidated. We have every right to be involved in the public process and to have our voices heard and respected.--Gary Bauer**

**NOTE FROM JAN:** It is hard to see America splitting more and more into an almost irreconcilable divide. **Christians cannot sit on the sidelines any longer; we must all vote, something which the greater majority of believers do not do.** This election is historic and perhaps a turning point for this country.

While only a Theocracy under the reign of the Lord Jesus Christ will be an effective government, *this is not an excuse for Christians to sit a lot of things out in the kind of apathy noted in the days of Noah. Civil government is God's institution and He is in control of government.* (Prov. 21:1)

*Try not to let our times get you down. Say with the Psalmist, "I trust in You, O Lord -- Our times are in Your Hands" (Psalm 31:14-15). The events of the day -- including election results -- are serving His purposes.*

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Awaiting His return,

Jan Markell

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