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For both the state and nation, Nov. 6 will be watershed moment for politics and policy

Both sides are optimistic, but only one side will be in control of each of the bastions of policy-making power. Your job is to decide “Who”!

Consider these facts: The White House is currently occupied by a Democrat President, Barack Obama. The U.S. Senate is narrowly controlled by the Democrats. The U.S. House of Representatives is controlled by the Republicans. Here in Kentucky, the Governor’s Mansion houses Democrat Steve Beshear while the State House of Representatives is controlled by the Democrats and the Senate is controlled by the Republicans. And all of these seats of power, except the Governor’s office, are up for grabs on Nov. 6. The prize to the winner(s) is the ability to make policy.

“It makes for a critical election when there are such clear distinctions between the Parties that are vying for

control,” said Kent Ostrander, executive director of The Family Foundation. “And as they say in Washington, ‘People ARE policy.’ In other words, who is in charge determines what the policies will be.”

Generally speaking, on the national level, Democrats argue for a large and strong government that is able to care for all the needs of the citizenry. Obama’s increased welfare and food stamp rolls as well as his Obamacare reform, are simply manifestations of the Party’s inclinations. Taxation would need to be expanded.

On the other hand, Republicans argue that the best form of government is the smaller one that stays within fiscal reality. And, they say that smaller government places

more responsibility on, and gives more liberty to, the citizenry. They say they

prefer fewer taxes in order to stimulate the economy.

Many who follow politics would say that the Presidency is a toss-up nationwide, and similarly, the control of the U.S. Senate will be very tightly contested. Almost all assume that the U.S. House of Representatives will remain in Republican control. (See *Balance of Power* chart.)

Across the nation there are 6 toss-up U.S. Senate elections and about 25 toss-up U.S. House of Representative elections. Kentucky has one of those in the Sixth House District where Democrat incumbent Ben Chandler is being hotly challenged by Republican Andy Barr. Kentucky’s U.S. Senators Mitch McConnell and Rand Paul are not up for re-election this election cycle.

On the state level, some say the control of the House is in question. But the margin that the Republicans must overcome to secure 51 of the 100 seats is, in reality, quite daunting. Most assume that the Republicans will remain in control of the State Senate. With the Democrat-controlled House killing all pro-life bills in the last eight years and the Republican-controlled Senate stopping gambling bills, citizens have some interesting choices as they survey the 115 candidates running for a seat in one of the two chambers of the General Assembly.



Kentucky Candidate Information Survey

Go to: www.votekentucky.us

Current Balance of Power

Kentucky General Assembly

Federal Congress

*KY State House**

*KY State Senate**

U.S. House

U.S. Senate

58 Democrats

14 Democrats

193 Democrats

51 Democrats

41 Republicans

22 Republicans

242 Republicans

47 Republicans

0 Independents

1 Independent

0 Independents

2 Independents

* Legislative numbers each reflect one vacancy

Party in control of Chamber is underlined

Governors

Balance in all 50 States

Legislatures

20 Democrat Governors

29 Republican Governors

1 Independent Governor

15 Legislatures controlled by Democrats

26 Legislatures controlled by Republicans

1 “Nonpartisan” and 8 Split Legislatures

Victory at the Kentucky Supreme Court

After 10 years of judicial wrangling, the intention of the General Assembly is finally realized — “God is in control.”

The Family Foundation recently celebrated a victory in the Kentucky courts which preserved the right of the General Assembly to acknowledge publicly our collective dependence upon God for the security of the Commonwealth. In 2002, the General Assembly passed the Anti-terrorism Act, which included the excerpt below:

A Kentucky branch of the American Atheists challenged this statute (and a companion statute) in Franklin Circuit Court as being a violation of the Establishment Clause of the U.S. Constitution and an analogous provision of the Kentucky Constitution. In August 2009, the Franklin Circuit Court ruled in their favor, finding that the statutes violated both the state and federal Constitutions, primarily because it “places an affirmative duty to rely on Almighty God for the protection of the Commonwealth.”

This ruling was appealed to the Kentucky Court of Appeals by the office of the Kentucky Attorney General. The Family Foundation joined the litigation, filing an *amicus curiae* brief in support of the constitutionality of the statutes.

(“*Amicus Curiae*” is Latin for “friend of the court,” and is a procedure for someone to participate who is not a party to the litigation, but has a stake in the outcome of a case.)

In October 2011, the Kentucky Court of Appeals issued a decision completely reversing the Franklin Circuit Court on its constitutional holdings. The Court found that “the legislative finding neither mandates exclusive

reliance on Almighty God nor belief in a particular deity. Rather, it makes reference to historic instances where American leaders have prayed for Divine protection in trying times. Accordingly, the statutes do not violate the Establishment Clause.” For similar reasons, the Court of Appeals also found that the Kentucky Constitution was not violated.

The Family Foundation’s *amicus* brief pointed out the irony of the Franklin Circuit Court’s holding that the General Assembly’s findings (*quoted below left*) violated the Kentucky Constitution. Specifically, the very preamble to the Constitution

of Kentucky states that: “We, the people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, grateful to Almighty God for the civil, political and religious liberties we enjoy, and invoking the continuance of these blessings, do ordain and establish this Constitution.”

In August of this year, The Family Foundation received further good news when the Kentucky Supreme Court denied discretionary review of the Court of Appeals’ decision, making final the reversal of the Franklin Circuit Court.

The Family Foundation’s *amicus* brief strongly urged the Kentucky Court of Appeals to uphold the American (and Kentucky) tradition of invoking God’s favor and protection on our nation and Commonwealth.

“Although mere governmental proclamations will not change the spiritual course of our nation, we must not stand idly by when activist courts attempt to ignore our country’s long tradition of acknowledging the role of religion in American life,” said Vaughn Murphy, attorney for The Family Foundation. “Such court decisions ultimately lead to the curtailment of religious freedom, as anti-religious organizations attempt to strip any reference to God from the public square, and confine the free exercise of religion to only homes and churches.”



Vaughn Murphy

The General Assembly hereby finds that...[t]he safety and security of the Commonwealth cannot be achieved apart from reliance upon Almighty God as set forth in the public speeches and proclamations of American Presidents, including Abraham Lincoln’s historic March 30, 1863, Presidential Proclamation urging Americans to pray and fast during one of the most dangerous hours in American history, and the text of President John F. Kennedy’s November 22, 1963, national security speech which concluded: “For as was written long ago: ‘Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.’”

Who is the group “Kentucky Family Values”?

As it turns out, it is a political action group that works during election cycles exclusively on behalf of Democrat candidates.

Let’s be clear – anyone in America can stand for anything they desire to. One can even take a stand for something that is against the law and by so-doing, change the law. That being said, it is important to remember that it is always best to say what you mean and mean what you say. Political campaigning, in particular, sometimes generates distortions of reality so every citizen *must* be a careful judge.

After receiving several calls about a mysterious group called “Kentucky Family Values” that was doing polling or “push polling” across the Commonwealth, here is what The Family Foundation’s research revealed: Kentucky Family Values is a political organization that supports Democrat political candidates *exclusively*.

In 2011, Kentucky Family Values supported Democrat Gubernatorial candidate Steve Beshear to the tune of over \$1.2 million. Gov. Beshear, of course, is the only governor in the last 20 years *NOT* to sign any pro-life legislation. In fact, he has been and is now a strong supporter of Planned Parenthood. Yet, he was fully supported by Kentucky Family Values.

Similarly, Gov. Beshear has been a strong supporter of those pushing gay rights and signed an executive order almost immediately after his first inauguration granting special rights to gays and lesbians when it comes to state hiring practices.

In addition, Gov. Beshear has been an ardent supporter of those who want to radically

expand gambling in the Commonwealth. In 2008, he proposed a constitutional amendment to expand gambling. When that failed, he supported a simple statute to expand gambling. When that failed, he offered prime state jobs to Republican senators who he believed were blocking his efforts, only to fall short of his goals in the ensuing elections to replace those he had hired. And then, he had his administration attempt to expand gambling through a courtroom strategy that is still locked up because The Family Foundation intervened.

Yet, Gov. Beshear was endorsed and avidly supported by Kentucky Family Values.

Here is the clincher: Examine the logos of The Family Foundation and Kentucky Family Values. The question is –

“Who are they trying to fool?”



**(TFF logo
and
KFV logo)**



“Choose you this day whom you will serve”

The people of Israel came to a crossroads in their history and Joshua challenged them. Like them, Americans are now at a crossroads.

Joshua's full quote reads as follows: “And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”

There is no doubt that this election is not only a battle of wills, a battle of perspective and a battle of *political* Parties, but more importantly, it is a spiritual battle.

Consider the major *spiritual* issues that will be decided at the national level with the Nov. 6 election: 1) The sanctity of human life or the freedom to choose; 2) the sanctity of marriage or the liberty to re-define marriage; 3) the integrity of balanced budget spending or the borrowing against future generations to finance needs of today; and 4) the standing with Israel or the standing apart from Israel.

Each of these will have serious spiritual repercussions on America and all have arguments and advocates. But what do *YOU* believe? And even more important to the future of America, what does God believe?

Beyond these issues is the reality that the next President will change the balance of power on the U.S. Supreme Court over the next four years. Some suggest that as many as four justices will retire during the next term, but even simple math confirms that the next choice for the Supreme Court will change the evenhandedness that the Court currently manifests.

Races available on the **KCIS** website

The U.S. House: All of Kentucky's six U.S. Congressional Districts have challengers in 2012.

The State Senate: The 38-member Senate elects one half of its members every two years so all members are open to challenge in a four-year span. Of the 19 available seats, 10 have races this Fall, with three of those being open seats (the incumbent senators are not seeking re-election).

The State House of Representatives: The House elects all of its members every two years. With 100 members in the House, ALL 100 seats could be challenged this Fall. In fact, 47 seats are being challenged with 53 incumbents running unopposed.

Kentucky Supreme Court: The 7th Division (Eastern KY) has incumbent Will T. Scott challenged by Janet Stumbo.

Use: Each of the **KCIS** candidate surveys can be downloaded, copied and shared, including with nonprofit groups and churches.



Kent Ostrander is the executive director of The Family Foundation

But Nov. 6 is not just the day of decision for the Presidency; it is likely that the U.S. Senate will be re-aligned, the U.S. House of Representatives will be altered, as will the Kentucky State Senate and House. In short, your future and the future of your children will be changed by this election like no other before it.

Please vote and please do your best to reflect in your choices what leaders the Lord would have to lead us through these perilous times.

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P.S. And remember to get information to share from www.votekentucky.us.



Kentucky Candidate Information Survey

To get information about Kentucky's candidates *in their own words*, and/or . . .

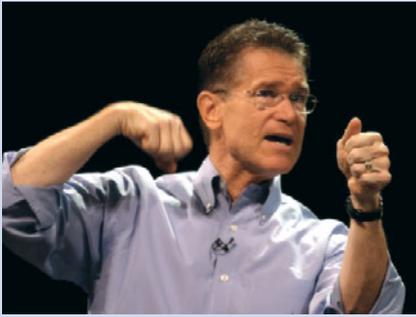
To print off information on races that you can copy and give to others, go to:

www.votekentucky.us

All information has been handled by IRS standards and is totally suitable for churches and nonprofit organizations.

If you do not have access to the Internet, call or email us and we'll mail you the templates:

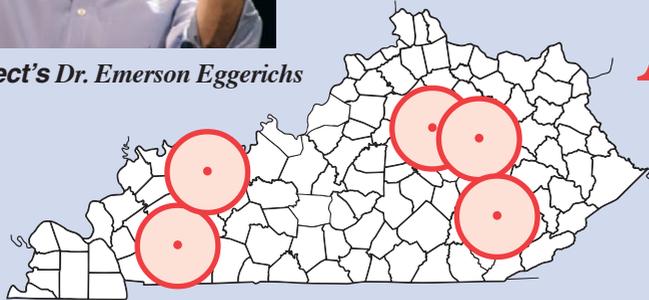
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Love & Respect's Dr. Emerson Eggerichs



Love & Respect's Sarah Eggerichs



The Kentucky Marriage Movement

Various regional events listed below

Hopkinsville, Oct. 19-20

Love and Respect video conference - The Eggerichs

Hillcrest Baptist Church
920 Skyline Drive, Hopkinsville, KY 42240

Owensboro, Oct. 26-27

Love and Respect video conference - The Eggerichs

Owensboro Christian Church
2818 New Hartford Road, Owensboro, KY 42301

Lexington, Nov. 2-3

The Art of Marriage video conference - FamilyLife

NorthEast Christian Church
990 Starshoot Parkway, Lexington, KY 40509

Lexington, Nov. 9-10

Love and Respect video conference - The Eggerichs

CenterPointe Christian Church
865 Greendale Road, Lexington, KY 40511

Corbin, Nov. 9-10

Love and Respect video conference - The Eggerichs

Immanuel Baptist Church
720 Browning Acres Road, Corbin, KY 40701

For more or to register, call (859)255-5400 or go to www.kentuckymarriage.org

Do you desire a “Love and Respect” video seminar in your church or in your community?

Please call us. The cost is almost nothing and yet it will make a H-U-G-E impact on marriages and on lives. (859) 255-5400

Leadership: In marriage, in the Church and beyond

True leadership — servant leadership — is best learned in the home, where Mom and Dad must be honest, open and loving.

Webster defines authority as . . . “power to influence or command thought, opinion, or behavior or; person(s) in command. Generally this implies a person(s) who is in ‘control,’ accountable for their role and responsible for the outcomes.”

Regardless of where you look these days, whether in government, education or media, and even in our churches and homes, most would agree there is a dearth of real authority or real leadership. We continually witness disrespect for authority, whether that is a person, organization or laws.

But the problem is deeper than simple disrespect. There is blatant lawlessness on many levels, rebellion in schools, anarchy in our streets and manipulation in the media.

How did we get here and what can we do?

All authority comes from God and most often begins in the home. Headship is bestowed to husbands as the “head” of the wife or marriage. *BUT gentlemen*, before you go off and claim your throne as husbands, or *wives*, before you put your “king” in his place, a few things must be settled.

Authority normally *begins* in the marriage and home, it *matures* within the family, and often moves into the Church. Most other authentic leadership flows from these. This is the Author’s design, pure and simple.

Authority/leadership/headship *is not* control or manipulation or domination, all of which are driven by pride. It is about serving and being rooted in humility. Truly great leaders serve first where there is the greatest risk and where there is the most to lose if they fail. Believe it or not, that is in our homes.

To truly lead, begin by serving and sharing servant-leadership with your spouse, and then your children. Once leadership is matured within your family, look for opportunities to

serve (lead) in the church. That’s it! All other authority happens best when it flows from these two foundational institutions.

Think about it: If we humbly serve and help others, who will they call on when in need? Who will they look to? The answer is those who have met their needs, helped hold them accountable and furthered their maturation process. When this happens, influence (authority) in someone’s life is by their invitation.

That is leadership!

Now imagine if we practiced real authority where it counted most, and then patiently waited for the opportunities to be invited to lead elsewhere. Imagine what our homes and churches would be like. Our schools and media. Our boardrooms and government. All these would be far different.

Why is there such a vacuum of leadership today?

Because we have not labored faithfully in our marriages and in our homes.

Society needs leaders at every level, and that’s what the Kentucky Marriage Movement wants to see happen. It begins with each of us changing — and changing *first* within our homes and marriages!



Greg Williams is Director of Marriage Outreach for The Family Foundation



Pushing back against evolution and its intimidation

Given the wholesale commitment to evolution in the public schools, it’s good that some stand up to set the record straight.

Steve Levinson will never forget the day in high school when his history teacher laughed at him for disagreeing in a discussion regarding the age of earth. Now, Levinson speaks publicly on the topic of Creation.

After graduating from Liberty University with a youth ministry degree in 1989, Levinson would eventually take a job working in the schools as a private, one-on-one behavioral counselor. He witnessed the same scenario he experienced play out countless times as students were taught evolution as fact in both science and history classes.

Levinson said that in all the years working in public school classrooms, he never once saw a student raise their hand and challenge the topic. “As I watched these kids, I thought that perhaps some of the students wanted to take a stand but, like me, were intimidated and didn’t know what to say,” Levinson said.

The day finally came when Levinson decided to leave the counseling job and began doing Creation seminars to teach youth and adults how to challenge the so-called theory. In one of his presentations called “Text Messaging,” he addresses some of the icons of evolution and shows how science really favors Creation rather than evolution. “It’s a really exciting and interactive message that teaches youth and adults how to debate evolution in class and in the community,” Levinson said.

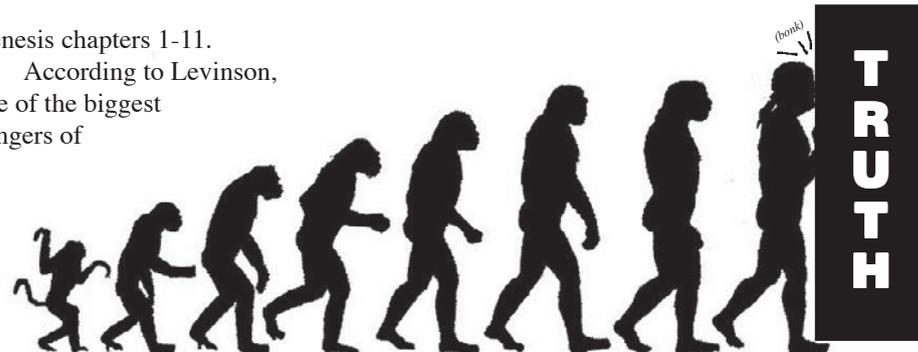
Levinson also presents other messages, his favorite being “Fossils, Flood, Noah’s Ark and Dinosaurs.” Another message called “Foundations Under Fire” shows how evolution has impacted the culture and the dangers of compromising the doctrines in



Steve Levinson

Genesis chapters 1-11.

According to Levinson, one of the biggest dangers of



compromise comes from clergy that have swallowed the lie of evolution. As of July 2012, nearly 13,000 Christian clergy have signed what’s called the “Clergy Letter Project” – an effort to support the teaching of evolution in public schools that is fully opposed to teaching Creation.

“Steve presents the facts in a way that children, teens and adults can understand,” said Jimmy Siler, pastor of Keck Baptist Church in Gray, Ky. “It’s about getting back to biblical authority and objective truth. The fossil record and nature itself support biblical truth, and he demonstrates that in his seminars.”

For a church, retreat or Christian school seminar, contact Steve Levinson at www.campgetaway.org or call 828-288-8424.

What it will take to win the Presidency in 2012

By The Numbers: An Electoral College Preview *produced by Gary L. Bauer of American Values* www.GaryBauer.com

In the race for the presidency in 2012, there are a lot of numbers to keep straight. Fundraising numbers. Approval numbers. Daily tracking poll numbers. National unemployment numbers. But amid all the counting and stats, two numbers are more important than all the others.

The first is **270**. That's the *minimum* number of Electoral College votes needed to win the White House. The second is **126**, the combined Electoral votes of the eleven critical states shown above. These votes will be the key to victory for any candidate. Here's why...

The number of votes a state has in the Electoral College is equal to its total representation in Congress.

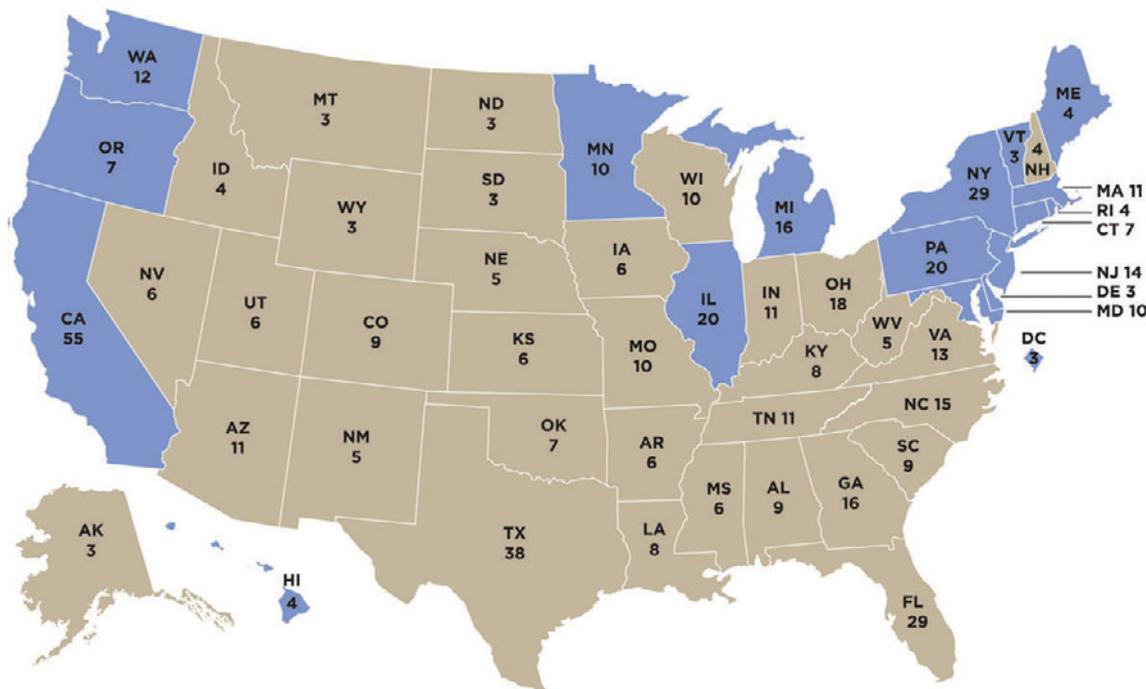
For example, California has two senators and 53 members in the House of Representatives. Therefore the state has 55 votes in the Electoral College. Smaller states are calculated the same way. Delaware has one "at-large" representative in the House and two senators, thus three Electoral College votes. No state has fewer than three votes in the Electoral College.

A presidential candidate wins a state's electors by winning the popular vote in that state. It is theoretically possible for a presidential candidate to win the White House by winning the right combination of just 11 states – California (55), Texas (38), Florida (29), New York (29), Illinois (20), Pennsylvania (20), Ohio (18), Georgia (16), Michigan (16), North Carolina (15) and New Jersey (14). Winning these states will give a candidate exactly 270 votes in the Electoral College.

In 2008, then-Senator Obama carried 9 of these 11 states for a total of 216 Electoral College votes.

The 17 states and the District of Columbia shown in the **BLUE** map (*above right*) have all voted for the Democratic nominee in the last five presidential elections. They add up to 232 Electoral College votes – just 38 votes short of the number needed to give President Obama a second term.

Based on historical trends, the 22 states in the **RED** map (*below left*) with 180



Based upon historical trends, the states in blue above and their Electoral College votes are likely to be in the Democratic nominee's column on Election Night 2012.

Electoral College votes (90 short of victory) are considered safe for the Republican nominee.

The remaining 11 states and their combined 126 Electoral College votes will decide who becomes the next President of the United States.

Three of these states – **Indiana (11)**, **North Carolina (15)** and **Virginia (13)** – were normally safe Republican states until 2008. Indiana and Virginia had voted for the Republican presidential nominee in every election since 1964. North Carolina voted for Jimmy Carter in 1976, but subsequently backed Republican candidates until 2008. Obama carried all three in 2008, but few political analysts believe he can repeat that feat in 2012.

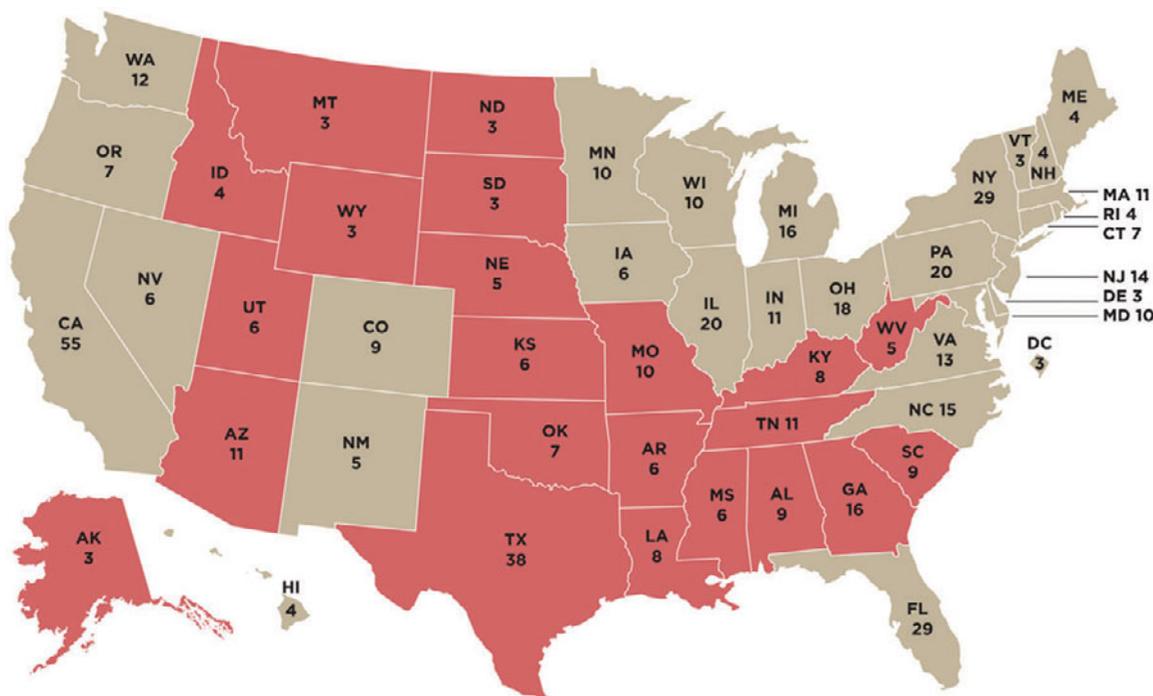
Florida (29) and **Ohio (18)** are critically important states for both parties. Florida has voted for the winning presidential candidate in nine of the last ten elections, while Ohio has voted for the winning candidate in all ten. George W. Bush carried both states in 2000 and 2004, while Barack Obama carried both states in 2008.

Colorado (9) has voted Republican in three of the last five presidential races. But the state went heavily for the Democrats in 2006, and Obama carried it by nine points in 2008. While the 2010 elections were largely a draw, the GOP managed to take back the state House.

Iowa (6) voted for Bush in 2004, but voted for Obama by 10 percentage points four years later. In 2010, it elected a Republican governor and Republicans took control of the state House. Iowa voters also ousted three state Supreme Court justices in response to their support for same-sex marriage.

Nevada (6) has voted Democratic in three of the last five presidential races, including for Obama by a 12-point margin in 2008. In 2010, it re-elected Senate Democrat Leader Harry Reid.

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Based on historical trends, the 22 states in red above with 180 Electoral College votes (90 short of victory) are considered safe for the Republican nominee.



In the marriage battle, it's the Chicken vs. the Cardinal



The following is the media story chronicling how U of L backed down.

On Thursday afternoon, July 26 at 3:30 PM, University of Louisville President James Ramsey and Provost Shirley Willihnganz, send memo to U of L's "Office of LGBT Services":

"We find the statement made by Chick-fil-A's president to be offensive and unnecessary. Those statements violate every stand that we have taken to protect the rights and affirm the value of every person. Those comments explicitly work against the efforts we have made, and will continue to make, to ensure that this is a welcoming and tolerant campus."

"We are currently in conversation with our food vendor service, Sodexo, to understand the contractual arrangements Sodexo has with Chick-fil-A as well as the larger implications of any actions. We will inform you of decisions once we have weighed all of the facts and our potential courses of action. But, in the meantime, the president and the provost will not be eating at Chick-fil-A anytime soon."

On Monday, July 30 at 2:50 PM, Martin Cothran, senior policy analyst for The Family Foundation, sends press release:

"We don't need people running our universities who think they can use their positions to pursue their own personal special interest political agendas."

"If James Ramsey and U of L have no use for a private business that supports traditional marriage, then they have no business asking for funds from taxpayers in a state whose voters approved, by a 75 percent margin, a 2004 constitutional amendment saying virtually the same thing."

"Maybe it's good that U of L leadership has come out of the closet about their contempt for the views of a majority of Kentuckians, but to even consider using their positions to persecute individuals or organizations they personally disagree with is simply Orwellian."

On Tuesday, July 31 at 6:00 PM, WDRB-FOX News reports:

"Nearly 1,300 people have signed an online petition, asking U of L to remove the restaurant from the student center."

On the same 6:00 PM WDRB News story, Ramsey states:

"Our students feel both ways, and there are people who feel strong on both ways. Our responsibility is to take these opportunities and make them teaching moments, learning moments. And the message here is that tolerance works both ways."

"So people are saying it's OK for others to say, but we don't want you to say what you think. I believe in marriage – I've been married 40 years. But I also – we as an institution – believe very strongly in respecting all individuals."

In the same report, Andrew Walker, analyst for The Family Foundation, responds to Ramsey:

"It's hypocritical to insist that you're for diversity, (continued top right)

you're for tolerance, but then to turn around and say that there are some positions and there are some standards that are not welcome on campus."

On Wednesday, Aug. 1 at 10:00 AM, Martin Cothran sends press release:

"Where are the protections for students with more conservative views who will now feel threatened? I can't imagine they feel welcomed or affirmed. If the administration is really concerned to serve all its students equally, then they should be protected as well."

"The University of Louisville has a 'Safe Zone Project' for gay students, which is supposed to provide them with a 'welcoming, affirming campus environment.' Unfortunately, the groups that have been given this official sanction are using it to promote intolerance toward those who disagree with them."

On Aug. 1 at 12:00 PM, Andrew Walker is turned away from a public meeting at U of L where Provost Willihnganz is set to address the Office of LGBT Services regarding Chick-fil-A. Cothran responds with press release at 2:15 PM:

"This is how U of L practices tolerance and diversity – by exclusion and secrecy."

"Have President James Ramsey and Provost Shirley Willihnganz made any plans to meet with supporters of Chick-fil-A on campus? The administration needs to stop the private meetings and be inclusive in its dealings with whom they disagree."

On Aug. 1 at 4:00 PM, Ramsey and Willihnganz send press release stepping back from their earlier comments:

"In the past week, we have heard from many people regarding statements by the Chick-fil-A president. We have met with and listened to students, faculty and staff, some of whom supported the statement, some of whom were offended and hurt."

"U of L is an institution that treasures diversity. Our strength is in the experiences and values we share with those who may be different from us. We also are a university that steadfastly supports free speech – even if that speech goes against our values. We respect an individual's right to disagree. We respect an individual's right to choose where they spend their money. After conversations with Mr. Cathy and others in our campus community, the University of Louisville is taking no action."

"We as a university will continue to stand for diversity and to celebrate our differences."

On Aug. 1 at 10:00 PM, Martin Cothran sends press release responding to U of L's retraction:

"We are happy to hear of this decision. We hope this will ease the atmosphere of intolerance that was created by the initial comments by U of L President James Ramsey and Provost Shirley Willihnganz opposing traditional marriage."

KY Memorial for the Unborn readied for Nov. 3 dedication

Now is a good time to secure your inscription for your lost one.

If you or someone you know has lost an unborn child by miscarriage, abortion or stillbirth, that child can be memorialized through the **Kentucky Memorial for the Unborn**. The Memorial, entering its final days of construction, will be dedicated on Saturday, Nov. 3 at 11:00 AM. All are welcome to attend. The site, located in Frankfort Cemetery, overlooks the Kentucky River, the State Capitol and the city of Frankfort and is near Daniel Boone's resting place. Call **859-255-2000** for inscription information as soon as possible.



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The 2012 Presidential election

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New Hampshire (4) narrowly voted for John Kerry in 2004 and backed Obama by nine points in 2008. But it swung hard right in 2010. Republican Kelly Ayotte won the open Senate seat by 23 points. Republican candidates captured both of New Hampshire's congressional seats, and scored veto-proof super-majorities in both houses of the state legislature.

New Mexico (5) narrowly voted for Bush in 2004, but voted overwhelmingly for Obama (57% to 42%) in 2008. It has voted Democratic in four of the last five presidential elections.

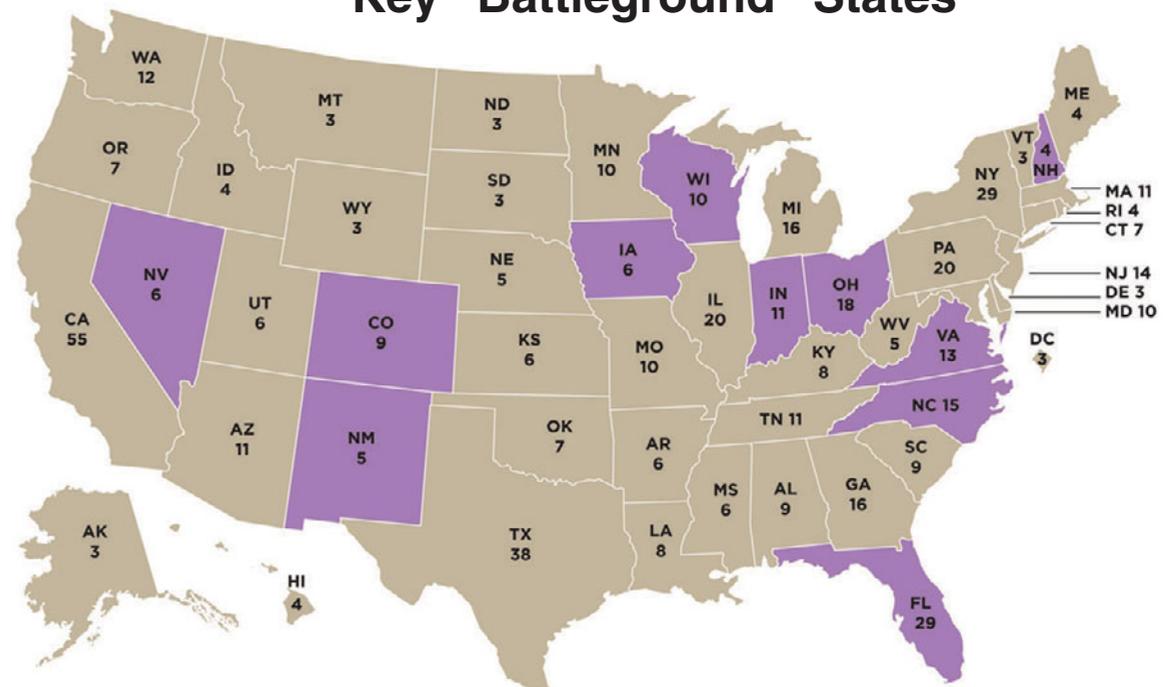
Wisconsin (10) last voted for a Republican presidential candidate in 1984 when Ronald Reagan was re-elected in a 49-state landslide. Since then it has been in the Democratic column every four years. In 2008, Barack Obama won the Badger State by

14 points. But in 2010 Republicans made major gains in the state and Republicans also won key races in 2011, including a recall

election to remove Gov. Scott Walker. Two August polls of likely voters conducted after the selection of Rep. Paul Ryan to be Mitt Romney's vice presidential running mate found the presidential contest in Wisconsin to be essentially tied.

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Key "Battleground" States



Eleven states and 126 Electoral Votes: These 11 states and their combined votes will decide who becomes the President in 2012.