

GOP Affirms Marriage

Update: According to The Hill,

The Republican National Committee has reaffirmed its opposition to gay marriage with a slate of resolutions passed unanimously at its spring meeting. Several resolutions re-establishing the party's official position were adopted without discussion on Friday. One resolution states the party's belief that "the institution of marriage is the solid foundation upon which our society is built and in which children thrive; it is based on the relationship that only a man and a woman can form."

Original Article:

It isn't hard to notice in recent years the dissatisfaction amongst conservatives with the direction of the Republican party, and a desire to get back to the basics and focus on our principle liberties as laid out in the Constitution. Most conservatives believe the keys of a healthy culture and growing society are listed in that founding document. We see evidence of this dissatisfaction and desire for a return in movements such as the Tea Party. There have been others, and will be others yet, but it seems the intensity is growing.

Yet in the midst of this impassioned strength that the Republican Party could be tapping into, they seem to be responding with weak knees. They issued a "Growth and Opportunity Project" in late March which is touted as a guide to the direction the Republican party will take in an effort to secure future victories. One of the positions on same-sex "marriage" was described as "softening." That type of response is causing major figures in the GOP to step up the messaging and start making some major threats.

For example, Mike Huckabee said in an interview with NewsMax recently, that evangelicals will "walk" if the party leaves the fundamentals on the definition of marriage and family:

In another example, Tony Perkins, the President of Family Research Council sent an email to supporters saying, “Until the RNC and the other national Republican organizations grow a backbone and start defending core principles, don’t send them a dime of your hard-earned money.”



And finally, a letter to Republican National Committee Chairman, Reince Priebus, several conservative national leaders including James Dobson, Tony Perkins, and Phyllis Schlafly, rattled their sabers and suggested that the RNC pass a resolution reaffirming their position on the values that conservatives hold dear. The threat wasn’t veiled in the least, saying, “abandonment of its [the Republican Party’s] principles will necessarily result in the abandonment of our constituents to their support. We could not change that even if we wished to.”

The FAMiLY LEADER’s President and CEO, Bob Vander Plaats was asked by ABC News what he thought about the letter to the RNC. Bob replied, “A lot of people in the party are concerned that the party will sell out our values in order to win, and if you do that what do you really win?” he continued.



Vander Plaats also agreed with the prediction that the GOP would lose support if it follows the recommendations of the “Growth and Opportunity Project” to the letter.

If Republicans “abandon their values, people will abandon their party,” he said. “Republicans are motivated by issues, not by the Republican name ... and these issues aren’t going to change regardless of what the poll numbers say.”

What does the Bible say? We should always stand firm on the

principles of Scripture, no matter what the polls, political winds, and public opinion might say. God's truths never change. The reality is, children do better with a married mother and father. Whether the Republican Party wants to join us in holding that standard is yet to be seen. The choice is up to them. We aren't going anywhere.