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That is the topic we'll discuss today right here on *The Christian Worldview* Radio Program where the mission is to sharpen the biblical worldview of Christians and to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. I'm David Wheaton, the host.

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US Senate hearings began this week to interview President Biden's nominee, Ketanji Brown Jackson, to the US Supreme Court. Because the Supreme Court is a lifetime appointment and because the court decides in the most critical future-defining cases for the nation like abortion and same-sex marriage. Senate confirmation hearings can get nasty, as the opposition party digs into every detail of the nominees judicial and personal life. During this week's hearings, a clear indicator of how foolish and confused our leaders have become was evidenced by the response to a question by Senator Marsha Blackburn when she asked, "Can you provide a definition of the word 'woman'?" To which Ketanji Brown Jackson replied, "I can't. I'm not a biologist."

Mat Staver, legal scholar and chairman of Liberty Counsel, joins us today on *The Christian Worldview* to discuss the nomination hearing, and how Christians need to clearly and biblically proclaim the truth to a society in free fall. Let's get straight to the interview with Mat Staver.

Mat, thank you for coming on *The Christian Worldview* Radio Program again. Before we get into the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson to the US Supreme Court, I just want to follow up on what we talked about last time you were on the program, I think it was late last year, the vaccine mandate for COVID-19, the so called, "vaccine." You were really immersed in a lot of

cases regarding that, with people losing their jobs if they didn't get this injection. Give us an update on how that has gone and where you see it going?

Guest: Mat Staver, chairman of Liberty Counsell 02:32

Well, with regards to the private sector, a number of these mandates that came down from Biden are blocked by federal courts. So that's a good thing with regards to the federal contractors, the federal employees, and some of the other mandates that are out there are blocked. And we're litigating on behalf of other employees in various parts of the country that have faced these mandates, and some of which have been terminated from their jobs with regards to getting justice for those individuals. We are also working, and this is a big issue with regards to the military, we have a class-action lawsuit pending that we've been litigating for several months, since October of last year, on behalf of all the members of all the six branches of the military.

We, in fact, just filed a temporary restraining order on behalf of 22 more people before our judge, just recently, and we're moving forward with more and more and asking the judge to certify the class so that the entire class of 1000s of people are protected. What we're finding is that the military is really abusing these men and women who are honorable individuals, who love God and love the country. Frankly, I think they're using this mandate as a purge, to purge out Christians and people of faith. It makes no sense because they know the shot is not working. They know that it's causing injury, we have testimony of a flight surgeon who himself was injured from this shot and will have to medically retire now. He has a demyelination condition where the outer protective coating of his nerves are eroding away because of the Moderna shot.

We know that young men and women are being injured. We know that it is causing morale deterioration and undermining military readiness in so many other ways. And we also know, for example, it doesn't prevent infection, particularly with Omicron. And we also know that we're on the other side of Omicron. So despite all of the logic to stop this mandate, they're still pushing it. The only reason, I think, which is the same reason I thought they imposed them in the beginning, is to purge these faithful men and women, particularly Christians, people of faith from the military. We're finding that very hard, and we're going to bring justice to these defenders of freedom because if they lose their freedom, we lose our freedom as well.

Host: David Wheaton 04:43

We are so thankful that you and *Liberty Counsel* are standing up for individual liberties in this country. Mat Staver joins us today. The founder and chairman of *Liberty Counsel*. We have their website linked at our website, TheChristian Worldview.org or the direct link is LC.org as in LibertyCouncil.org.

Okay, let's get into the major news of this week is President Biden's nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson to the US Supreme Court to replace the seat of Justice Stephen Beyer. Before we even get into what her comments were before the Senate Judiciary Committee, let's listen to the then candidate Joe Biden, who promised he would nominate to the Supreme Court, should he be elected president.

Audio Clip: President Biden 05:30

I committed that if I'm elected president and have an opportunity to appoint someone to the courts, I'll appoint the first black woman to the courts. It's required that they have representation now. It's long overdue. Secondly, if I'm elected President, my cabinet, my administration will look like the country. And I commit that I will, in fact, appoint a, I'll pick a woman to be vice president. There are a number of women who are qualified to be President tomorrow, I would pick a woman to be my vice president.

Host: David Wheaton 06:01

Is that even legal, Matt, for the President to nominate a Justice to the US Supreme Court based on their race and their gender? And what does that say about where our country is right now that you can openly say that and we just kind of proceed along?

Guest: Mat Staver 06:16

It is legal in the sense that the President can nominate who the president chooses to do so. It doesn't mean that that person is going to be confirmed. And so that's where the checks and balances with right now the United States Senate, and they can block this and I think they should. But I think it really is a sad commentary, not only about Biden and his ideology, but about where we are, that you're actually going to narrow it down to a woman who is black. That obviously is political. And it's not looking necessarily at the people who are the best qualified. You really just need to find out who's the best qualified for this particular position, not someone by virtue of race, and gender. You know, eventually, what Biden is going to do? He wants some transgender, LGBTQ somebody, I don't know with all these different additives on here to be added to the Supreme Court. That doesn't sound like an objective institution. A place where the rule of law has a home and the person lives and breathes that rule of law. It sounds like a political institution. And that's exactly what we don't need from the Supreme Court. It wasn't designed to be political. It was designed to be a judicial branch.

Host: David Wheaton 07:27

Mat Staver with us today from *Liberty Counsel*.

Now could Ketangi Brown Jackson, the nominee, who went to Harvard Law School, was a Supreme Court law clerk to Justice Stephen Briar. She was a Federal Public Defender, a member of the US Sentencing Commission, a Federal District Court judge for eight years and

a judge in the US Court of Appeals for the DC circuit, that according to a Fox News bio on her, what do you know about her judicial philosophy? And how would you compare her judicial rulings that you know about, compared to the most leftist justices in history, because no doubt he nominated her because of her liberal justice ideology, what do you know about her?

Guest: Mat Staver 08:08

Well, I think across the board, she'd be the most liberal justice on the Supreme Court and that's saying quite a bit. And she would be definitely more liberal than the person she's replacing, Justice Breyer. Justice Breyer was a liberal vote. Sometimes he had some tempered decisions or would actually side with some of the more judicial restraint kind of arguments. She's going to be left of Justice Breyer, by far.

So she's not just going to replace Justice Breyer, but she's going to take it left of Justice Breyer. None of them have this kind of problem with child pornography like she has in seven out of seven cases. She gave penalties far below the federal guidelines for sentencing and what the prosecutors would give. Nobody on the Supreme Court is in that category, for example. So for example, she had an 18 year old defendant, had over 600 images, including videos, the guidelines recommended 97 to 121 months, the prosecutors recommended 24 months, she gave three months.

In another case, someone had 48 files of child pornography, federal guidelines recommended 78 to 97 months, prosecutors recommended the same, she gave 28 months. In one case, she actually called the defendant, the criminal, the victim and apologized to him. And to that Senator Ted Cruz says, "Well, who's the victim here? Is it the victim or is it the defendant who actually caused the harm to the victim?" She actually apologized to the person who had the pornography.

Host: David Wheaton 09:47

Mat, let me just quickly jump in and play listeners that soundbite where Senator Ted Cruz brought this up on her very lenient sentencing of those involved in child pornography.

Sound bite: Senator Ted Cruz 10:02

[Ted Cruz] Every single case, 100% of them, when prosecutors came before you with child pornography cases, you sentence the defenders to substantially below not just the guidelines which are way higher, but what the prosecutor asked for.

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] In every case, I did my duty to hold the defendants accountable in light of the evidence.

Host: David Wheaton 10:26

That was Ketanji Brown Jackson replying to Senator Ted Cruz, basically saying the sentencing guidelines and the prosecution guidelines, "I just do what I want to do", and go against all other guidelines outside my own personal feeling. And then Mat, Senator Josh Hawley went on to ask her about how she has her sympathy with the perpetrator in this child pornography case, and not in the victims themselves, as you were discussing.

Sound bite: Senator Josh Hawley 10:58

You also said to this individual, who is an adult, tried as an adult, 18 years old, you also said to him, besides saying that you thought his victims were his peers, you also said there's no reason to think that you are a pedophile. And then you went on to say, again, that's another reason why you weren't going to give him, you're only going to give him three months, because you judged that he wasn't a pedophile. And then you said, and this is something I really need your help understanding, then you apologize to him. And I just have to tell you, I can't quite figure this out. You said to him, "This is a truly difficult situation. I appreciate that your family's in the audience. I feel so sorry for them and for you. And for the anguish this has caused all of you. I feel terrible about the collateral consequences of this conviction."

Host: David Wheaton 11:53

So Matt, talk more about Ketanji Brown Jackson's sentencing history, and also her sympathy toward the criminal.

Guest: Mat Staver 12:03

So she has had a long history, all the way back to law school, where she has had this leniency with regards to child pornography. And that's the worst kind of pornography. And in fact, those within that industry know that when you degrade down to child pornography, it's usually a degrading process, where you begin at one level, and then your ultimate bottom degrading is getting into child pornography. Once you're at that level, it is absolutely incredibly hard to reform someone.

So once you're down in that level, and you've got all this material that these people had, to call them a victim, to apologize to them, to give them very light sentences when these other people are harmed for the rest of their life, is just reprehensible. Nobody else on the Supreme Court is like that. With regards to abortion, she will be obviously a strong vote for abortion. She said she doesn't know when life begins, with regards, I mean, get this, with regards to whether she knows a woman when she sees one.

What is the definition of woman? She doesn't know that either. I mean, she has daughters, are they women? She has a husband? Is he a man? Is she herself a woman? How do you know? She apparently doesn't know. She said she's not a biologist. You don't need to be a biologist.

How about being a little kid? You would know. She doesn't know who a woman is. What that means is she's going to be a very liberal vote if she's confirmed for a very radical LGBTQ+ agenda.

Host: David Wheaton 13:37

Mat, we'll get to that non answer she gave on, "What is a woman?", in just a few minutes here. But I want to play the sound bite as you mentioned about her stance on abortion because Senator John Kennedy asked her a very pertinent question about when life begins. Here was Ketanji Brown Jackson's response.

Sound bite: Senator John Kennedy and Katanji Brown Jackson 13:56

[Senator Kennedy] When does life begin, in your opinion?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] Senator, I don't know.

[Senator Kennedy] Ma'am?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] I don't know.

[Senator Kennedy] Do you have a belief?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] I have personal, religious and otherwise beliefs that have nothing to do with the law in terms of when life begins.

[Senator Kennedy] Do you have a personal belief though about when life begins?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] I have a religious view.

[Senator Kennedy] Religious belief?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] That I set aside when I am ruling on cases.

[Senator Kennedy] Okay, when does equal protection of the laws attach to a human being?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] Well, Senator, I believe that the Supreme Court, actually, I actually don't know the answer to that question. I'm sorry, I don't.

Host: David Wheaton 14:53

That is just truly incredible to listen to. That a person being nominated to the highest court, in our land, supposedly, the wisest among us, cannot and will not answer a question on when life

begins. Truly does God's Word say, Where is the wise man? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

That is a foolish answer, non answer she just gave. Not deserving, not worthy of someone like that being on our highest court in the land. Life begins at the moment of conception. God creates that life in the mother's womb, and that she can't answer that is not only pathetic, it's actually frightening for all the children, the unborn human beings who will be killed, murdered, because people like this will say they don't know when life begins, and therefore it's not a life that we're killing.

Mat Staver with us today on *The Christian Worldview*, the founder and president of *Liberty Counsel*, their website is linked at The ChristianWorldview.org.

Host: David Wheaton 16:04

Now, the Supreme Court is supposed to be impartial and true justice is supposed to be served. Look at the Constitution, how does it apply to the case and so forth? But I think the obvious thing is that the Supreme Court is a political, rather than an impartial organization at this point, so where judges basically rule and interpret the Constitution according to their own party worldview. Is that true on both sides of the court, or particularly true on the left side of the court?

Guest: Mat Staver 16:36

It's particularly true on the left side of the court. And in fact, it was the left-leaning side of the court with regards to their judicial philosophy that got us in the situation that we have now. It started in the 50s, grew in the 60s and 70s. And it was under Chief Justice Earl Warren, the Warren Court, and some of those decisions that came out of that. That's what ultimately was the time frame where they cut the Supreme Court cords to the Constitution. And they began to wander off into their own ideology and imposing their own ideology under a Supreme Court vote, kind of like a legislator would do however many votes you had, that's what the result would be. That's not how it's designed.

What has happened over the past is Chief Justice Rehnquist, when he became the Justice, he tried to recenter the court and so the Justices that are there are trying to recenter the court and bring it back more to some of its original understanding, and it's not their role to make the law, it's their role to interpret the law. If we don't like the result, then we have a mechanism. That is a very difficult one, but it's a mechanism that is put place, we've used it many times, and that is to amend the Constitution. That's for the right of the people, not for judges, not for individuals.

And so what has happened is whether it's abortion or marriage, things that could not be pushed through the political process, because they would, never would have gotten the votes,

they then resorted to a liberal Supreme Court in the 70's and even with the Supreme Court in 2015 with that split decision, 5:4 on marriage to utilize the court as the social reengineering mechanism. That's the political problem.

And so there's really two different judicial philosophies. One, is the constitution a "living document"? By that they mean is it something that's in the past, and we just reinterpret it now, so it really doesn't mean what it says, it means only what we say, that's the liberal side of the view. And that's held by a number of Justices on the Supreme Court, including obviously, this nominee, that to a very strong degree. Or, on the other hand, are you bound by the words and the intent and meaning of the Constitution whether you like the results or not? Are you bound by that? That's the "judicial restraint" or the "original intent" side. And I think that side is gaining more influence on the Supreme Court, trying to recenter it back into the rule of law. It's got a long way to go. But it's certainly progressing in that direction. But we need to really return the court to the institution it was designed to be and that is a neutral arbitrator of the law.

And the power of the people is in the legislative body. And the executive has only one role in that area of law, and that's to enforce the law. So those are the three branches of government with the weakest being the judiciary. Unfortunately, we have, we the people, have allowed the Supreme Court to become the most influential, strongest branch of all three, and that will undo the Republic. So it is very important who sits on that bench.

Host: David Wheaton 19:47

Yeah. You say we, as in elections matter, who wins elections. And actually I'll add to that, <u>free</u> <u>and fair</u> elections matter. And you can see who won this last presidency, Joe Biden over Donald Trump and the disputed way in which he supposedly won is now having a major effect on the future of our country and who the president has nominated to the Supreme Court.

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Host: David Wheaton 22:31

Welcome back to *The Christian Worldview*. I'm David Wheaton. Visit our website, The ChristianWorldview.org where you can subscribe to our free weekly email and annual print letter. You can order resources for adults and children and support the ministry. Now back to the interview.

Mat Staver here today on *The Christian Worldview*, the founder and chairman of *Liberty Counsel*, an excellent organization that works for civil liberties, religious liberty, and their website is lc.org.

I want to follow up with you, Mat, just briefly on something you already mentioned about when she was asked, Ketanji Brown Jackson, was asked by Senator Marsha Blackburn about, How would you define a woman?" And this is a very relevant question today. This is not, you know, she acted all surprised to it and so forth. But it's a very relevant question in light of all these different things going on with this male swimmer on the Penn team who just won the national title beating all these other women and so forth.

So here's how that interchange went between Senator Marsha Blackburn and the nominee for the Supreme Court, Ketanji Brown Jackson.

Sound bite: Senator Marsha Blackburn 23:36

[Senator Marsha Blackburn] Can you provide a definition for the word "woman"?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] Can I provide a definition?

[Senator Marsha Blackburn] Yeah.

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] I can't.

[Senator Marsha Blackburn] You can't?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] Not in this context.

[Senator Marsha Blackburn] Biology of the word "woman" is so unclear and controversial that you can't give me a definition?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] Senator, in my work as a judge, what I do is I address disputes. If there's a dispute about a definition, people make arguments and I look at the law and I decide. So I'm not. . .

[Senator Marsha Blackburn] The fact that you can't give me a straight answer about something as fundamental as what a "woman" is underscores the dangers of the kind of progressive education that we are hearing about. Just last week, an entire generation of young girls watched as our taxpayer funded institutions permitted a biological man to compete and beat a biological woman in the NCAA Swimming Championships. What message do you think this sends to girls who aspire to compete and win in sports at the highest levels?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] Senator, I'm not sure what message that sends. If you're asking me about the legal issues related to it, those are topics that are being hotly discussed, as you say, and could come to the court. So, I'm not able to. . .

[Senator Marsha Blackburn] I think it tells our girls, that their voices don't matter. I think it tells them that they're second class citizens. And parents want to have a Supreme Court Justice, who is committed to preserving parental autonomy, and protecting our nation's children.

Host: David Wheaton 25:17

Well, there's another truly troubling soundbite from the interchange in the nomination hearing of Ketanji Brown Jackson, not willing to define what a "woman" is. But the worst thing is, it's representative of a bigger delusion that is just over taking this country, and fundamentally, is a rejection of God and His Word.

So Mat, she obviously knows what a "woman" is. Because if she doesn't, she's not even qualified to be on the Supreme Court. She's that unintelligent. So she obviously knows. She just doesn't want to answer that question. Why doesn't she want to answer that question, Mat? Why has the left and the homosexual transgender lobby been so successful at mainstreaming their views and silencing dissenters?

Guest: Mat Staver 26:31

She doesn't want to answer that question because if she ever gets LGBTQ+ whatever case in front of her, she's not going to define a "woman" as a "woman". If she gets something like this swimmer, she'll say, Oh, sure. It's all a product of your mind. It's not biology. So you know, for her to say, she's not a biologist, she's not looking at biology. If you look at biology, it's pretty simple. I mean, you either have the XX or XY or you have, you know, the manifestations, obviously, objectively of male and female.

You know, the question you'd have to ask is, and I wish this was a follow up question is, "Are your daughter's women? Is your husband a man? Are you a woman? If you don't know the simple truth, how do you know anything? You know, is the constitution real? Because if you don't know what a woman is and what a man is, it's pretty simple. Is the Constitution real? Is the First Amendment real? What is religious freedom? When does life begin?" Those are not hard questions for a nominee. To try to avoid the simple question, What is a woman? What's the definition of a woman? For her to say, "Can I provide a definition? No, I can't." She said, "I'm not a biologist." That alone should be a disqualification for her to serve on the United States Supreme Court. I mean, that's a disgrace that a Justice of the United States Supreme Court nominee doesn't know what a woman is.

Host: David Wheaton 27:52

Totally agree. Mat Staver with us today.

You also mentioned that she's been very soft on punishing child pornography cases. We already played those sound bites with Senator Cruz and Senator Holly asking her about her minimizing the consequences for child pornography. What is it in the worldview of those on the left that sympathizes with the perpetrator, the criminal, and wants to go soft on the punishment? Not thinking at all who's been criminalized, harmed by this crime? What is it in that worldview that sees things this way?

Guest: Mat Staver 28:29

It's part of this whole worldview regarding the abolition of sex and gender and the abolition of any kind of taboo with regards to any sexual conduct, whether it's adult, minor, in fact, there's a group called B4U-Act. It's a academic organization that goes to places like Johns Hopkins University and other places and it pushes the fact that pedophilia should be called minor

attractiveness or something of that nature that it's just another, "Sexual orientation," that you're happening to be attracted to minors. So it's really not pedophilia and we should stop stigmatizing these people because there's nothing wrong with them. That goes all the way back to Alfred Kinsey in his 1948 book, *Sexuality in the Human Male* and in the 1953 book, *Sexuality and the Female*. That was the whole premise of his book, that any kind of sexual act, including with minors, was fine and it was actually healthy. Anything that's a taboo or immoral again that would be harmful and restrictive. That's all part of, well, we don't know who a woman is. We don't know who a man is. It's whatever you want to be. And any kind of sexual deviancy that you want to engage in, even with these minors, well it doesn't really hurt them. That's the idea. That's the ideology. And so you see it permeating in the pornography side of things. You see it in the questions that she doesn't know when life begins. You see it in the questions that she can't define a woman. That's all part of that ideology that really will color everything that she does.

Host: David Wheaton 30:01

Do you think she will be confirmed to the Supreme Court?

Guest: Mat Staver 30:04

I don't know. I think that it's going to be close. I wouldn't write it off as, in fact, it's a given because there are some Democrats that, they need all the Democrats, and they need at least one Republican. They need all the Democrats, or at least all the Democrats and the VP. But if they lose a Democrat, say, for example, Manchin or Sinema or some of the other Democrats, then they're going to be in deep trouble.

Host: David Wheaton 30:30

Mat Staver with us today on *The Christian Worldview*. During the Trump years, he appointed Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, and Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court and they were all confirmed. That's quite a list there of having three appointments during a four-year term. I believe you actually came on the program to talk about two, if not three of them, during the nomination, the confirmation process. Looking back now and seeing how they've adjudicated are you encouraged or disappointed by the Trump confirmations, kind of one by one.

Guest: Mat Staver 31:05

I would say generally encouraged. I think, by and large, they have done a good job. There are some decisions I strongly disagree with them on. For example, Gorsuch has had incredibly good opinions and writing across the board. But he has this one bad opinion that is a very significant one. And that is on Title VII with regards to gender identity and sexual orientation. That's a terrible decision. It was a 5:4 split. And really, I think was surprising.

With regards to adding Barrett to the court is the reason why we started getting 5:4, and we were the only ones that got a 6:3 decision on behalf of the churches. But it was Barrett replacing Ginsburg. Otherwise, we'd still be losing those church restriction cases. She hasn't been right on everything. But she was certainly right on those decisions. And that was very strong.

Kavanaugh was very strong in those decisions as well. I think on religious freedom, if you take religious freedom as a whole, we have a strong majority on the Supreme Court that's very pro religious freedom. I just argued before the Supreme Court on January 18th on a free speech case. I think I will get a very strong win on that case. You don't want to always predict, but I think on this one, it was pretty obvious that we're going to get a very strong win on free speech from a Christian viewpoint perspective. And that's in contrast to what we would have had, you know, 20 years ago, for example. So we are making progress. They're not perfect, but they certainly replaced individuals that were far more, even though some of those were appointed by, well, in Ginsburg's case by a Democrat, and others by Republican, they really have improved the court. They're not perfect. We have a long way to go, but we're making progress.

Host: David Wheaton 32:49

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Mat Staver from *Liberty Counsel* with us today on *The Christian Worldview*. Final question for you, Mat. I think listeners see or Christians see what is going on in our country with regard to what you're saying today. They see this nominee, Ketanji Brown Jackson not being able to, or purposely avoiding, answering these most basic questions about, "What is a woman?" They see the ideology there way on the left, and they think, that's going to be a lifetime appointment, potentially to the US Supreme Court? They look at the financial situation in our country, the massive debt, the inflation going on, the education, Critical Race Theory, just training a nation to despise itself, totally devoid of God. Which just quickly reminds me that Ketanji Brown Jackson was asked about Critical Race Theory by Senator Ted Cruz and here was her, again, kind of a non-answer to that.

Sound bite: Senator Ted Cruz 36:19

[Senator Ted Cruz] Critical Race Theory, as you know, originated at your and my alma mater at the Harvard Law School. In your understanding what does Critical Race Theory mean? What is it?

[Ketanji Brown Jackson] Senator, my understanding is that Critical Race Theory is, it is an academic theory that is about the ways in which race interacts with various institutions. It

doesn't come up in my work as a judge. It's never something that I've studied or relied on. And it wouldn't be something that I would rely on if I was on the Supreme Court.

Host: David Wheaton 36:58

That was another answer that we heard from people on the left who say, Well, there's no Critical Race Theory in schools. This is just an academic theory, and it doesn't have any place in this country when in reality, it is the driving worldview of the left in this country. Everything is seen through a racial prism. Whites and males are seen as the oppressors of society and that needs to be completely toppled to achieve justice in our society. And we do that through forcing equal outcomes.

Her nomination to the Supreme Court by President Biden is a perfect example of Critical Race Theory applied to our society today, as if the perspective of a black woman is going to help a certain class or gender or ethnic group in this country. That is the opposite of what you want a Supreme Court justice to do. You want them to judge impartially like the Bible says.

But there are other issues, Mat, as well that are on the minds of Christians. They see the suppression of individual liberties, the immigration of millions of illegals in the country being settled in the interior, the culture, the crime taking place in our cities, corporations becoming a fourth branch of government power. We've talked about the moral issue today with the homosexual and transgender movements, just the outright lies going on. Can't define women. We've gone from energy independence to energy dependence, and why would you ever want to do that? And then we see that the church in many ways, accommodating the culture, trying to see how we can accommodate it. It can be discouraging. And so just in closing today, what should Christians be focusing on and working towards at this time in our history?

Guest: Mat Staver 38:43

Well, I think we never give up. And some of those things that you mentioned, not all, certainly some of those are deeper, but some of those happened just within the last year under the Biden administration.

So elections matter, fair elections matter, certainly. And we need to make sure that we have fair elections going forward, but never give up. I mean, for example, you could have lived at a certain time during the captivity of the Israelites in Egypt and become very depressed. You could have done the same thing when the decree came down during Queen Esther's timeframe in Persia it was inevitable, everyone's going to die. I mean, there was just no hope. There's no one to come and save you. There's no NATO, for example, there's no rescue, you're just done. I mean, you're done. And the decree can't be changed even though the king didn't like it after he did. It may have changed his mind. So what. I mean that's it, you're done. There's a certain day you're all going to die, everyone, all the Jews are going to die. And yet

we know from history that didn't happen. What happened is God intervened because people prayed, people remained faithful. And God ultimately toppled these nations. There is no more of those empires. The Jews are still alive. They're celebrating the Feast of Purim. They just did, recently. There is no ancient dynasty. There's the current Iran, but there is no old Persian government, that Persian government's gone. The old Egyptian government, with the pharaohs, that's gone. Egypt Is still in existence, but not the Pharonic age that we had.

So those powerful nations and many more we can talk about, they didn't survive history, God's people did. And so, with God, all things are possible. I've seen a lot of progress. I never get discouraged about these temporary losses, because I know who wrote the last chapter. I know who's Lord of Lord and King of kings. And I know that we need to be faithful, and that God will do incredible, miraculous things with people of faith. And He is a God that loves irony and turns things that seem just impossible, which in fact are, in our human existence, into possibilities.

Host: David Wheaton 40:44

Mat, thank you for encouraging us in that way to close our conversation today. We just so appreciate all you are doing as founder and chairman of *Liberty Counsel* and thank you for coming on *The Christian Worldview* today. All of God's best and grace to you.

Guest: Mat Staver 40:57

Thank you. It's good to be with you.

Again, that was Mat Staver of Liberty Counsel. It's an organization that works for the civil and religious liberties of people. Their website is lc.org or we have it linked at our website, TheChristianWorldview.org. He is a sober-minded, clear-thinking man, I think as you can see, who works tirelessly for liberty. And if you remember that liberty is the opposite of tyranny, when you lose individual liberties, government tyranny steps in and just completely controls people's lives.

Host: David Wheaton 41:31

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Host: David Wheaton 41:47

Now I have a slightly more pessimistic view of the future of our nation than Mat Staver does, although I firmly believe as he said, that God can change hearts if a nation repents and turns to Him. And I think we all should obey God's Word and be praying for that, praying for our leaders as the Bible says. Praying that even those who reject God would not prosper, that they

would encounter hindrances and roadblocks and that their way wouldn't be successful. We can pray for that. But the way I see the country now is really representative of what Jesus said in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew chapter 7, starting in verse 24.

"Therefore everyone, [and maybe you could apply that to a nation as well], who hears these words of mine and acts on them may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock." So if you recognize God, you hear his Word, and you obey it, that's like a wise man, a person who thinks and lives as God intends. That's the definition of wisdom. A wise man who built his house on the rock.

Verse 25. "And the rain fell, and the floods came, [trials came], and the winds blew and slammed against that house, and yet it did not fall, for it had been founded on the rock." And the rock is God, is Christ, His Word, His truth.

Verse 26, the contrast. "Everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them, [just like we are doing in this country, just rejecting God, out of hand, we live according to human reasoning. Everyone does what's right in their own eyes. [What results there] will be like a foolish man [a foolish man is one who lives life as if there is no God.

That's what it says in Psalm 14, The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." Like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house. And it fell, and great was its fall." That's from Matthew chapter 7, the words of Christ. And that's what I think is a very real possibility in this country, that there's going to be a great fall. This is by far the worst I have ever seen this country, and the evangelical church. I mentioned some of the things going on in the country with regard to financial and military, education, individual liberties and immigration, corporations and entertainment and morality, energy, safety.

The Evangelical church is not being the banner of truth and a light for the gospel that it needs to be. You look at the Southern Baptist Convention and nominating a president who openly and blatantly plagiarized sermons for years and yet doesn't step down. And not too many people spoke out against that. Well, he is not going to run for a second term, but he should have resigned or been pushed out right away. Or as we discussed recently in the program for three parts, the whole "woke" movement within the evangelical church today, implementing the Critical Race Theory and social justice, unbiblical worldview that is so pervasive in our society today, especially with regards to race or gender or homosexuality. These are just obvious clear issues that should be immediately shot down when they knock on the church door.

Just this week, Hillsong, one of the most influential churches in the world, Brian Houston has just resigned from Hillsong for allegations of misconduct toward women. And this is just but

one example that we've seen recently; Ravi Zacharias and many others in many different ways. I look at the country and the cracks, the house being built on the sand, and one event could trigger a collapse of this house or just widespread panic, whether it's a EMP, (electromagnetic pulse attack), or the US dollar collapsing, the currency changing, going off the dollar as the reserve currency in the world or a cyber attack. Our food supply chain in this country, it's so easy to go down the street to the local grocery store and see shelves full of food and so forth. There's a very short supply chain on food. We would within probably three to five days, or something like that, there'd be great shortages if something really snapped in our society. And to me, it feels like something could snap in our society with all these different structural cracks going on. And God has, I believe, largely removed His restraint.

And as Romans 1 says, he's just giving us over to our own sin. Just like Old Testament Israel, Mat mentioned that. But there is no biblical promise for the future restoration of America as there is to the future restoration of the Jews, that they will turn to their Messiah in repentance, and faith. The Bible Promises that. I think it's more likely that the US is not going to repent and return, although it could for a time, but it's more likely we're going to be part of this, globalistic push that we're seeing going on around the world, especially if we keep on getting administration's like the one we have right now. But for Christians, we must stand for truth and the Gospel in the meantime.

This past week, I heard Tucker Carlson, a host on Fox News, do a segment on this situation with Ketangi Brown Jackson saying she didn't know what the definition of a woman is. As I heard Tucker talk about how insane this is and how insane it's become in our society, I just wonder why there isn't a high majority of Christians and especially pastors talking in such direct black and white terms about these particular issues. Why is it being left up to someone like Tucker Carlson, who, I'm not even sure what he believes spiritually, whether he's a born again Christian or not, I don't know that he is. Because we need strong, forceful, truthful response to all the lies, the sin that's being just pushed on us in this country, and needs to be forcefully pushed back against in the strongest terms possible based not on what some study says, but directly on the truth of the inspired, inerrant Word of God.

Yes, we know that men and women have different chromosomes. That's a scientific fact. But we know even more, that God made them male and female, two different sexes. You're created one way and that's it, it can't be changed. God fixed it, because it's the Word of God, the truth of the Word of God that penetrates the hearts of unbelievers. That being said, Tucker Carlson pushed back quite strongly about this issue of Ketanji Brown Jackson not being able to define a woman.

Audio Clip: Tucker Carlson 48:34

For a world famous scholar like Ketanji Jackson that should have been effortless. Talk about slow and steady right down the plate. A woman, Jackson might have said looking incredulous. That's simple. A woman is a human being with 2 "x" chromosomes, ask any geneticist. It's detectable in a blood test. Women have wider pelvises and different bone structures from men, not to mention very different genitalia. It's usually pretty obvious they are women just by looking at them. Women are built differently because their bodies are designed to do different things. Nature is real. Women, menstrate, women give birth and then breastfeed. Men do not do these things because they can't.

Pause for a second and marinate in the awe inspiring stupidity of her answer. "What's a woman? I don't know. I'm not a biologist." Oh, we see how this works. Hey, Ketanji Jackson, is it raining? I don't know. I'm not a meteorologist. What's a woman? Definitely the most revealing question ever asked in a Senate confirmation hearing. Ask yourself, two men get in a bar fight, one of them punches the other in the face. What's your response to that? Come on, guys, take it outside. A man and a woman get in a bar fight, the man punches the woman in the face, what's your response to that? Well, if you're a normal human being you're horrified. Punching a woman in the face is not just a felony, though it is, it is a moral crime. Decent people don't punch women in the face. Period.

A man's best instinct is to protect women, that's nothing to be ashamed of. It makes us civilization, civilized. That's why we don't send expectant mothers into battle. Got that you, degraded freaks. Pregnant flight suits are an attempt to make us deny our most basic instinct, an instinct that we should not be ashamed of. Every person on earth knows this is true, we are born knowing it. But now they're commanding you to pretend otherwise, to deny nature and suppress your most basic and valuable instincts. Now, the Biden administration is in charge of everything and in less than a year, the worst, most morbid predictions have come entirely true. Female athletes are losing NCAA championships to men dressing up as women in order to cheat their way to victory. Every person in America sees this happening. Very few are brave enough to say a word about it.

The point of the trans movement isn't to convince anyone that biology isn't real, they're not even trying, that's an impossible case to make. The point of this exercise is very different. The point is to make the rest of us repeat a lie. To say something we know perfectly well is not true. "Yes, Leah Thomas is a proud, beautiful woman who won the swim meet because she practiced harder than the other girls." Making you pretend to believe something you don't, that's the point. Because if they can make you pretend to believe something you know is untrue, they've won, they control your brain. So this isn't about trans people. It's about all of us. And the stakes are very high.

Host: David Wheaton 51:36

That was Tucker Carlson. I think that we, as Christians, and especially pastors, again, need to speak in explicitly strong biblical terms, pushing back against these issues that have overtaken our society. Because unless we do, people are going to be taken captive and believe a lie.

And that's been Satan's goal from the very beginning in the garden, to believe a lie about who God is and how we can be right with Him. And we can't control the outcome of this country. But we can fulfill our calling, to proclaim the truth, and the good news of Jesus Christ that we as sinful men and women can be made right with a holy God through repenting of our sin and putting our faith in the person and work of Jesus Christ. If you'd like to find out how to do that, how to become a born again Christian, go to our website, TheChristianWorldview.org and click on, What must I do to be saved?

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