Bicentennial Lecture: The Charter of Our Liberty

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Earlier Americans recognized that the Constitution did not stand alone. The charter of our liberty is not a piece of paper. Its authority is not a set of human blueprints. Emma Willard, an eminent nineteenth century historian and college president, recognized this when she wrote in 1843 that "the government of the United States is acknowledged by the wise and good of other nations, to be the most free, impartial, and righteous government of the world; but all agree, that for such a government to be sustained many years, the principles of truth and righteousness, taught in the Holy Scriptures, must be practised.

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Samson finished with a reemphasis of each individual's responsibility before God to keep the United States a free nation.

"Either the Lord God of the Bible will be our ruler or we will suffer under the tyranny of the lawless state or the lawless individual. We should remember that the founders drafted a government of

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We're forced to support an imperfect vehicle for change.

We need to influence our own govt' to have a consistent foreign policy based on unchanging truth rather than just on our own interests. I think we need to be anti-Com, but we must also present a positive alternative.

down there were the women.) This kind of teaching could alleviate a lot of oppression. Ultimately, the solution will be in establishing a Christian consensus. For example, in El Salvador to the degree that Biblical Christianity has increased there, to that degree the fighting has been reduced.

Just because the issues are complex, we shouldn't refuse to...