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The month of June has been hijacked by the anti Christian culture

>> Jeff Chamblee: The month of June has been hijacked by the anti Christian culture to show their pride in something God calls an abomination. When you support afr, you help us continue to stand for godly values and provide the resources for you to stay in the know about the enemy's tactics. To say thank you for your gift this month, we'll give you the booklet Inside the LGBTQ push of the 1990s. To help strengthen your convictions, just go to afr.netoffers afr.net offers welcome to today's Issues, offering a Christian response to the issues of the day. Here's your host, Tim Wildmon, president of the American Family Association.

>> Tim Wildmon: Hey, good morning, everybody, and welcome to Today's Issues on the American Family Radio Network for this Tuesday, June 24, 2025. Thank you for listening to AFR. I'm Tim with Wesley, Wyoming. Good morning, Wesley.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Good morning.

>> Tim Wildmon: And good morning, Chris Woodward.

>> Chris Woodward: Good morning.

>> Tim Wildmon: And we're in Tupelo EMS and in KCKS is our good friend, Dr. Ray Pritchard. Hey, how you doing, Ray?

>> Tim Wildmon: Hey, I'm rocking and rolling here in Kansas. How are you doing, Tim?

>> Tim Wildmon: So, let me ask you this. You've been gone a while, right? A couple weeks.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah. We were, Marlene and I were in Chicago for a couple of days for about board meeting, and then we spent a week of ministry out on the, Pacific coast at Cannon Beach Conference center in Cannon Beach, Oregon, where, you know, we're having this heat wave here in the center part of the country, right. 90 plus and such out there. It was like it went down to 50 degrees at night and then it would, it never hit 70 the whole week we were out there on the coast, so.

>> Tim Wildmon: Wow.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah, Perfect weather. We had a good time out there.

>> Tim Wildmon: Absolutely, absolutely perfect weather.

>> Wesley Wildmon: A couple of the pictures I'm looking here, that's the first I've heard of Cannon Beach, Oregon. And it looks really beautiful.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, the, Describe it, Ray, for the.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, you're right there on the Pacific coast and it's a conference center that incidentally is 80 years old this year. Right. The year right as World War II was coming to an end, a, Portland pastor and his wife went out there by faith and bought some land. And now it's the major Christian conference center in the Pacific Northwest. And Wesley, it's got. There's several miles of just beautiful white beach. Haystack Rock is there, which is world famous. And, I walked down to the rock and back, about two miles, round trip every single day. We were out there. Wonderful, wonderful.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, glad.

Tim Williams: If you want to understand the future, look to the past

What was your topic? What was your Bible topic?

>> Tim Wildmon: Oh, way back in the book of Genesis, after Eden, stories of faith failure and the dawn of civilization, we started with a story of Cain and Abel and got to Lamech and got to Enoch, who walked with God in Methuselah. And the last message, on Friday night was called the Days of Noah, why God Sent the Flood. And, it's sort of a, Tim, the whole, the whole series in one sentence is, if you want to understand the future, look to the past, because the past is the key to the future. And Jesus said, as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be when the Son of man comes. So if you want to understand the crazy things happening in the world today, Genesis explains it all.

>> Tim Wildmon: Amen. Amen. Well, we got.

>> Wesley Wildmon: I was going to say Paul says that too in Romans, where he says, everything that was written in former days were written for our instructions.

>> Tim Wildmon: M. You know, people read, people read Genesis 5. Those, you know, the genealogy and they think it's boring. But it's Methuselah. I mean, WESLEY Methuselah lived 969 years. And I said to the people, look, if you're 90 years old, you're not even 10% of the way where Methuselah was. So we had just. It's so much fun going back into, the parts of the Bible we don't, we don't read very often, but it's full. Let's say, let's say this right. Genesis explains the Bible and the Bible explains all of life.

>> Tim Wildmon: Amen.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Amen.

>> Tim Wildmon: Amen. all right, well, a lot to talk about today. Dr. Walter Wendler, President of West Texas A and M University, will be with us at the bottom of the hour. He

joins us every two, three months to discuss, a interesting topic. And we will, do that today with him in just a little while.

CNN and MSNBC are reporting Israel and Iran violated a cease fire last night

But, what's leading the news?

>> Chris Woodward: Well, depending on which TV news channel someone follows, you're getting different reports on whether or not we're in a ceasefire again between Israel and Iran. And I say that because while you guys were talking with Ray, I have no idea where they get this information from. I'm just reading the Kyron or message down at the bottom of the screen. BBC just reported Trump says Israel Iran cease fire back in effect. That's different from what Fox says. Fox says Trump is going to a NATO meeting to push for a ceasefire between Israel and Iran. Meanwhile, CNN and MSNBC are saying that Israel violated the cease fire by firing one another Last night after Trump's big announcement that both of them supposedly had agreed to a cease fire.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Well, there's no better feeling than to be in the room and, and realize you're not the only one confused. Okay, welcome to my world.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Chris Woodward: Yes. so we may or may not be back in a ceasefire, but the big story last night, and I do have some sound to this effect today. last night, around about a little bit after 5:00 Central, it was announced by President Trump on Truth Social in all caps that both Israel and Iran had agreed to a ceasefire after a 12 day war between those two countries firing rockets at one another, what have you. Everybody knows that Trump used B2 bombers to go after Iranian nuclear sites on Saturday. and then less than an hour or two after news, of the ceasefire, Israel and Iran both traded missiles with one another again. And Trump this morning, as he was departing, the White House expressed his, disappointment in both Israel and Iran for firing on one another and violating the cease fire. Clip 2 Israel, as soon as we.

>> Donald Trump: Made the deal, they came out and they dropped a load of bombs, the likes of which I've never seen before. The biggest load that we've seen. I'm not happy with Israel. You know, when I say, okay, now you have 12 hours, you don't go out in the first hour and just drop everything you have on them. So I'm not happy with them. I'm not happy with Iran either. I don't like the fact that Israel went out this morning at all. And I'm going to see if I can stop it. So as soon as I get away from you, I'm going to see if I can stop it.

>> Tim Wildmon: All right?

>> Tim Wildmon: Oh man.

>> Wesley Wildmon: I know, right?

>> Tim Wildmon: I'm rubbing my eyes here.

>> Wesley Wildmon: I know. That's the first I heard that.

>> Tim Wildmon: It is. Okay.

>> Chris Woodward: It was this morning.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Okay.

>> Tim Wildmon: On live television, I've used the expression good Trump, bad Trump. for the most part it's good Trump with his presidency. But sometimes, well, yesterday when he came out with this 5 o'clock, he, he announced like, on his True Social, he said, congratulations to everybody. the ceasefire has been brokered between, is a, broker to ceasefire between Israel and Iran. And we were all happy and, and I hope, but then, then Iran says, I don't, we don't know what he's talking about. And Israel is going like, we're not, we're not commenting.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yes.

>> Tim Wildmon: And, so, okay, my personal opinion, which is just what it is, is that President Trump got out too fast on this making and should have waited to make a more formal announcement than just blurting it out on True Social. Is that what he did? Right. I know he wanted to get it out there and he's excited about the prospects of it being a, you know, an agreement, a ceasefire, and into hostilities between Israel and Iran. But that's just my opinion. He got out there a little early on it and it should have waited maybe 24 more hours to get everything in place before he, Because they were still firing, right? Iran was firing weapons at our military base in Qatar.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, yes, they were. And was, was the President a little bit premature? Yes. Was he? look, he's not, he's not the first president to lose his temper and use some salty language when discussing what is going on in the Middle East. I suspect that every single president who's tried to solve the problem over there has felt exactly the same way. what should we say? Okay, Chris, what do we want to say here? Is there a ceasefire? Is it tenuous? Is it tentative? What word do you want to use to describe it right now?

>> Chris Woodward: Well, oftentimes when things like this happens and it's unclear as to what the word should be, we just say there's, you know, there's news of a reported ceasefire or there's reportedly a ceasefire. Trump says there's a cease fire, things like that. We attribute it to somebody else.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, look, supposedly Iran, I mean, Mr. M. Trump was angry that Israel unloaded. Yeah, they did. But supposedly Iran fired two missiles into northern Israel after this, after the start of the so called cease fire. Look, if Iran is going to do that, Israel is going to answer back.

>> Chris Woodward: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: So one can hope now that the cease fire will hold.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah, absolutely. And, today we'll find out, I guess, in the next 24 hours, whether that's going to. Yeah, that's going to hold. And of course, yet to be determined, I guess, or yet to be. well, we don't know. What does this look like? I mean, is Iran going to have to, officially surrender? Are they going to have to, give up their plans for a nuclear weapon altogether? And that, independent, inspectors come in and monitor what they're doing? If they continue to do development, you know, uranium enrichment or whatever, they, That's about my extent of how you make a nuclear weapon. Right, you know. Right, right, right. So there's a lot of things yet to be determined, but the first thing would be to stop hostilities but, that's only if Iran has been completely neutralized. I would say if you're looking at it from Israel's perspective.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, okay, okay. I would say it this way. The point, the point Iran better understand is Israel is not playing around. They are not messing around. If Iran thinks that Israel is done, let them, let them launch a few more missiles and it'll be.

Ray: President Trump should not use F bomb on international television

Israel's got plenty. Let's put it. Israel's got plenty of resources left to attack Iranian bases, missile launching sites, weapons labs. They're not at any, they're not at the end of the targets that they want to hit. So if I was Iran, I'd take my hand and I'd move it as far away from any launch buttons because Israel, they will strike back hard.

>> Tim Wildmon: I just need to say this for the record and then I understand exactly what you're saying earlier, Ray, about, presidents can lose their tempers like anybody else and lash out and say things they regret later.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: But President Trump should not be using the F bomb on international television.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: It's a bad, it's a, it's just not appropriate. As angry as he may be at Israel and Iran.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Is that last night?

>> Tim Wildmon: No, this morning he was doing a press conference with the people of.

>> Wesley Wildmon: The part of the clip.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Chris Woodward: And we aired the family friendly portion of.

>> Tim Wildmon: He said that Israel and Iran didn't know what the blank they were doing.

>> Chris Woodward: And CNN just did like 15 minutes straight. On that.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Okay. Yeah, that's not good.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah, he shouldn't, he shouldn't do that. You got it. You got to maintain some decorum, you know, when you're President United States. but anyway, we'll see, next 24 hours we'll tell the tale.

>> Chris Woodward: Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: On whether or not the ceasefire, as it were, is going to, you know, gonna be abided by.

President Trump blasted CNN and MSNBC for their coverage of Saturday's bombing

>> Chris Woodward: So now with regards to, cnn, which I again, they just did a very lengthy segment on Trump's use of language, there and whether or not, you know, he should do that kind of thing. Trump also did not hold back his comments. again, in a PG clip. Here, here's what President Trump had to say About CNN and MSNBC based on their coverage of Saturday's bombing from the U.S. clip one, I think.

>> Donald Trump: CNN ought to apologize to the pilots of the B2s. I think that MSDNCO to apologize. I think these guys really, these networks and these, cable networks are real losers.

>> Wesley Wildmon: You really are.

>> Donald Trump: You're real loser.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Israel says that they violated.

>> Donald Trump: You're Gutless losers. I say that to CNN because I watch. I have no choice. I got to watch that garbage. It's all garbage. It's all fake news. But I think CNN is a, gutless group of people. And the people that run it, nobody even knows it's been sold so many times. But the people that run it ought to be ashamed. Msdnc. A guy named Brian Roberts, he heads it. He's a disgrace. He's a weak, pathetic disgrace.

>> Chris Woodward: So President Trump, clearly not a fan of CNN or msnbc.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yeah. Since a long time ago. Calling them fake news and calling them out in public. Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: I think the President was slightly irritated this morning and was just, expressing himself. And by the way, Tim, I want to do. Want to go on record, say I agree with you. I think it's very wise if the President doesn't use that sort of language in public. There is a kind of decorum that we expect, right? Yeah, we expect it. Whether it's Ronald Reagan or Donald Trump or George W. Bush or any of the Democrat, Bill Clinton or whoever it is, we, we expect better. Our President.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah. You can plain talk without having to use that kind of language. And that's.

Sunday night I spent an hour looking into the B2 bombing plane

>> Wesley Wildmon: Anyway, I'm going to take us off track here for just a moment ago. these be as the night before last or the, the day after the bomb we bombed Iran, what. Whatever day that was.

>> Tim Wildmon: Saturday.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Saturday. Okay. So Sunday night I spent, I don't know, a half hour, an hour on the Internet that their Internet that their Internet with between videos and articles of looking into this, the B2 bombing plane and it. That is so impressive just how big, just that that type of equipment is. Just when you're not in that world every day, you kind of, you tend to forget just how advanced, technology has become and how. Well, and the fact that they obviously took off from Missouri, never landed around the world, basically.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah. Flew around the world in these B2s and, refueled, three times, I think, in the air. Can you imagine that?

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yes. And so you've seen movies with stuff like this before, but then to know that it's a reality.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

Plot of latest Top Gun film eerily foreshadowed Saturday bombing

>> Chris Woodward: Speaking of movies, one of the things people have been talking about since Saturday is how eerily familiar the plot of the latest Top Gun film is to the Saturday bombing. matter of fact, I just shared this on our Today's Issues Facebook page. It's a Daily Mail article, one of many news outlets to cover this. But the Daily Mail's headline is how Tom Cruise's Top Gun Maverick eerily foreshadowed Trump's stealth bomb raid on Iran's nuclear lab, taking place decades after the original 1986 film. The second installment features Maverick Cruise's character, returning to the armed forces to prepare a new class of Navy pilots for a mission far beyond or far behind m enemy lines. The mission is to destroy a massive underground uranium enrichment facility, before the unnamed hostile nation can create a nuclear weapon. Iran is not mentioned, but you're kind of sort of led to believe, that it is an Iran like nation based on what we see playing out in the news.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yep, I saw. I saw that movie as well. And I had forgotten about the. The fact that they dropped a bomb, in a vent in the movie. Yeah, it is. And that was. That was in 20. It was two years ago.

>> Chris Woodward: It was like 2020, I think.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Okay. That movement. Okay. So it was further back than I thought. I didn't realize.

>> Tim Wildmon: So is, President Trump getting.

>> Wesley Wildmon: He's getting his.

>> Tim Wildmon: You're gonna call on Tom Cruise?

>> Wesley Wildmon: No, he's just.

>> Chris Woodward: He's a big, beautiful actor.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Listen, he's just getting his plans from Tom Cruise 2022. Okay, there you go.

>> Tim Wildmon: That. That was, what was the name of that movie? Maverick.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yeah, it was. Was it. It was, the second part, too. Yeah, the original.

>> Tim Wildmon: When was the first? Right. Do you remember when the first top.

>> Tim Wildmon: The 1980s.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yeah, that's right. 80s.

>> Tim Wildmon: 80S.

>> Chris Woodward: Hm.

>> Wesley Wildmon: 80S.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: Wow.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: It's hard.

>> Chris Woodward: They were fighting Russians in that one. I watched that one over the weekend. The original one.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Chris Woodward: I felt the need. The need for speed.

>> Tim Wildmon: That's right.

President Trump made a profane comment about Israel and Iran this morning

>> Tim Wildmon: one other thing I got to say about, what President Trump said. He said, he. This morning, he was very angry acting with Israel and Iran when he made that profane comment. But, I didn't appreciate either him. This sounds like I'm not against President Trump. I'm not. But he says that Israel doesn't know what the blank. They're doing talking about Israel and Iran. I don't know if he means. I think Israel does know what they're doing.

>> Chris Woodward: Some people said we shouldn't get involved because they were clearly capable of going after Iran themselves.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, but they didn't have the bunker buster.

>> Chris Woodward: That's very true.

>> Tim Wildmon: U.S. president Trump had to provide those. And he did, and we commend him for that. And he did the right. In my view, he did the right thing, to, to do that because it helped. It helps end the war with Iran and destroy their nuclear capabilities.

>> Wesley Wildmon: And it's just as much self serving as it is helping Israel.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah, but if you're Benjamin Netanyahu, the Prime Minister of Israel, you just don't know what to say with Trump because his personality is so volatile. He'll call you

wonderful today and then cause you a pathetic loser tomorrow. That's just, so you really don't know. You do, you appreciate his friendship and he does stand strong with Israel, but you just don't know what he's going to say this afternoon that you're going to have to. Reporters are going to put a microphone in front of your face and say, Mr. Prime Minister Netanyahu, Trump said you don't know what the blank you're doing. What do you say to that? Huh? You know what I'm saying.

>> Wesley Wildmon: You just don't answer it.

>> Tim Wildmon: Huh? that's whether. I think that's what Benjamin Netanyahu is doing. He just told him and his lieutenants just don't comment on those kinds of things. But listen, all this will be forgotten if Monday morning we're sitting here talking and nothing's happened. And we hope and pray that that's the case. Nothing. No more firing at, you know.

>> Chris Woodward: Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: At one another.

>> Chris Woodward: I hope, if the Lord Terries and we all live to see Monday, I hope we have different stories to talk about at the top of the show because I have feared for several days now people are going to think this is a repeat because we keep talking about this, although it is the biggest story in the world. This is a show called Today's Issues.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, President Trump put his credibility on the line yesterday by saying there's a ceasefire. So, he's the one that brought it up. So we will see whether that holds and we hope and pray that it does.

>> Chris Woodward: BBC is now back to saying that the ceasefire is back in effect.

>> Tim Wildmon: Good, good.

Former NSC official praises President Trump's decision to bomb Iran

All right, so you're listening to Today's Issues on the American Family Radio Network. Next story.

>> Chris Woodward: I this relates to it and it sounds like I'm making it up, but it's not. I found it on the Internet, so you can believe it. And I'll share the link on our Facebook page. A Democratic national security aide to Joe Biden and Bill Clinton has come forward to praise Donald Trump's bold decision to bomb Iran and says Kamala Harris likes the quote, courage to have done the same. The official is former NSC official Jamie Metzi. He's no Trump fan, calling him out for dangerous and undemocratic actions. But he says the President took a needed step to try to wipe out Iran's nuclear program. Jamie says, quote, I

voted for Kamala Harris and have been a vocal critic of many dangerous and undemocratic actions taken by President Trump. But I'm not a blind tribalist and imperfectly comfortable praising President Trump for bold and courageous actions in support of America's core national interests, as he took last night. Talking about, Saturday night.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah. The Democrats, would do well, Ray, to sit their criticism out, so to speak, on this one.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, I think that this, this fella, whose name. What's his name? Chris.

>> Chris Woodward: Jamie Metzi.

>> Tim Wildmon: That ought to be the Democratic position.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: We disagree with the president on some issues.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: But he made the right decision here. it takes courage, doesn't it, for a Democrat to say anything favorable to President Trump.

>> Chris Woodward: A Democrat brought an end to World War II really quick with a decision no one wanted to make.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right, right.

>> Tim Wildmon: this fella here that's talking here, he had, he was a high level, he, was in a high level position for what, to Joe.

>> Chris Woodward: Biden and Bill Clinton.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah, yeah. So he's, he's a lifelong Democrat, said he voted for Kamala Harris and she would have been better on a lot of other issues. But he said Democrats, his own party, should command the president for this bold action to take out Iran's nuclear weapons. Because, listen, right. Democrat and Republican presidents have acknowledged and been saying for years, Biden and Obama and that, Bill Clinton before that, that, Iran was the, you know, chief sponsor of international terrorism. And don't forget, with respect to Israel, they know that Hamas and Hezbollah have been getting their money from Iran.

>> Wesley Wildmon: That's right.

>> Tim Wildmon: So imagine if you're, let's say the state of Illinois was attacked, for example, and by Indiana, whose border zone, in Iowa. I'm just using an example.

>> Tim Wildmon: We would all come from. They came from both sides.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah. Let's just say that rockets were being fired into Illinois from Indiana and Iowa and, And Illinois knew that they were getting their money from North Carolina, you know, for example, to provide these rockets into, in their terrorism activities, into their border states. Then that, I guess that would help you understand how Israel, you know, has. Wants to cut off the head of the snake. The head of the snake would be Iran. So that they will not, and cannot, fund this, terrorism, Hamas and Hezbollah, any longer, you know, on their borders. That makes sense.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, it's exactly right that, that Iran is the chief bad actor in the Middle East.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: And they're funding so many of these other Hamas, Hezbollah and other groups. And Israel's doing the right thing, trying to cut off the head of the snake. And we wish them all the best.

>> Tim Wildmon: Israel has taken out so many of, the Khomeinis. That's the religious leader in Iran.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: Top lieutenants. I mean, it's just taken out. I mean, they killed them. Signed nuclear scientists. This is what they've been going on the last.

>> Tim Wildmon: And they could have taken out Khomeini. They say they know where he is. They have. They've chosen not to do that so far.

>> Tim Wildmon: Exactly.

>> Tim Wildmon: So I don't think that gotta be sleeping very well if I was.

>> Tim Wildmon: No, no, that Mossad, which is the, Israeli equivalent of our CIA, is just, unparalleled in their activities. We'll be back momentarily.

Over 60% of abortions happen through the abortion pill

>> Ed Vitagliano: This June 24th marks three years since Roe versus Wade was overturned. But here's what you may not know. Abortion numbers have surged to a 10 year high. The battleground has shifted from the courtroom to our homes. Today, over 60% of abortions happen through the abortion pill. Taken in silence, often alone. PreBorn Network clinics are standing in the gap, meeting women in their most desperate hour. And here's what they're

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>> Jeff Chamblee: This is today's issues. Email your comments to commentsfr.net Past broadcasts of today's Issues are available for listening and viewing in the archive@afr.net now back to more of today's Issues.

Ray: President Trump says if Iran stops bombing, Israel will strike back

>> Tim Wildmon: Hey, welcome back to Today's Issues on the American Family Radio Network. That's the name of this radio show, Today's Issues. Tim, Wesley, Chris and Ray, we thank you for listening to afr. Of course, we've been talking the first half hour about the, situation with Iran and Israel and President Trump's comments earlier this morning. And cease, fire is supposedly and hopefully in effect between Israel and Iran. And then two, I think a lot of people want to see something from Iran in the next few days. confirming, I would say in the next 24, 48 hours. Confirming. All they, I've read them say is if Israel stops, will stop. That's all I've read them say.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Sure.

>> Tim Wildmon: I think in the coming days and weeks, we're going to need to see a full, complete surrender from them in the sense that they're going to acknowledge Israel as a sovereign state and renounce their, call for the destruction of Israel and America. there's going to have to be some, some kind of. Ray, don't you think, some kind of peaceful, words coming out of Tehran?

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, number one, it's going to be really hard to get the mullahs to agree with what you just said. Average. I think a lot of the people in Iran, probably most of them now talk about the people on the street, so to speak, the average Iranian, they want peace. They don't want any more bombs falling from the sky.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: It's going to be hard for the radical clerics who are in positions of power to do what you just said. You're asking them. I mean, I agree with you. I hope they say that.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: But you're asking them to say, forget all the rhetoric of the last 40 years. We now recognize Israel's right to exist. If they were to say that we would be on the verge of a major change in the Middle East, One can hope it will happen.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, let me ask you this one other question about that. If you're in Israel's position and you're told to stop bombing.

>> Tim Wildmon: Sure.

>> Tim Wildmon: Stop taking out targets. by President Trump, you're told, you know, stop, okay. Anyway, do you say, I guess they just have to do what President Trump tells them to do in that sense? Because I guess I'm thinking we're about to. Israel. Israel would be thinking we need to finish the job.

>> Tim Wildmon: Sure.

>> Tim Wildmon: Whatever that looks like. Exactly. And you're telling us, hold up without any guarantee from Iran that they're going to change their views.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Just,

>> Tim Wildmon: Or does that even matter? Go ahead.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Well, quickly, Trump, does have some leverage now that we've taken out the nuclear sites. A leverage with leverage with, Benjamin Netanyahu and Israel saying we. Look, we took a big portion, of.

>> Tim Wildmon: That's true.

>> Wesley Wildmon: And they know that, and they know.

>> Tim Wildmon: That Israel knows it.

>> Wesley Wildmon: So I think it would be more. Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: But Israel did a lot of the dirty work.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Oh, absolutely.

>> Tim Wildmon: They were going to defend themselves.

>> Tim Wildmon: I really think it's pretty simple. If Iran does not attack again, if they don't launch any more missiles, I don't think Israel is going to launch any.

>> Tim Wildmon: Okay.

>> Tim Wildmon: But I think if. If Iran does, it doesn't matter what president says. Israel is going to strike back.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, yeah.

Dr. Walter Windler is President of West Texas A and M University

All right. You're listening to today's issues on the American Family Radio Network. Well, joining us now is Dr. Walter Windler, President of, West Texas A and M University, located in West Texas. And he joins us now. We have, Dr. Windler on every couple, three months to talk about, various sundry issues, a lot of them having to do with education. Higher education. Good. Good, morning to you.

>> Frank Gaffney: Good morning, Tim.

>> Tim Wildmon: How are you doing? Well, Dr. Windler, what's the weather like there? And is it, You're in Amarillo, right? Right, Amarillo, yeah. What's the weather like?

>> Frank Gaffney: It's actually a pretty nice day. It's, a little overcast, but we had some rain yesterday, which in this part of the world is almost always welcome. so I'd say the weather is good for West Texas. It's good.

>> Tim Wildmon: Reason I ask, it gets dry there a lot of times. Y' all have had the experience, the wildfires the last, what, a couple years, right?

>> Frank Gaffney: Yes, yes, we've had a couple of years with bad wildfires. And they're. They're absolutely, treacherous in every way. They don't get as much, You don't see them as much on national news as you did say that. Palisades, wildfires in California, because it's very sparsely populated, but there are people that have lost complete, herds of cattle and so on and so forth, and every possession that they own went up in smoke. So it was. It's, treacherous. It's very, serious business.

40% of college students take out loans and never complete their degree

>> Tim Wildmon: Okay. I have an article in front of me that you wrote called public cynicism regarding Higher Education is Up. And, give us an overview of this topic. Because a lot of people, you know, wonder, is college worth paying for? Go ahead.

>> Frank Gaffney: That's. That's a good question, Tim. And in fact, a lot of people are asking that question. you know, there's so much borrowing that goes on for a college education. and unfortunately, about 40% of the students who take out loans never finish their degree.

that's according to university business. And that's, That is, That's disturbing. it would be like taking out A loan to buy a car, and you never get the car.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Frank Gaffney: And I know on university, you know, universities, a lot of times faculty don't want to think about the degrees as a commodity. But, Tim, in my mind, if, here, the total cost, room, board, books, everything, without any assistance, where you pay the full freight, is about \$20,000 a year. Well, if you slide \$20,000 across the table, you expect something in return for that. And if all you're left with, is an empty promise and a bunch of debt, you're not going to be very pleased with it. And unfortunately, that's one of the things that drives up public, cynicism in my mind. you know, I'm a baby boomer, so I'm no spring chicken. But the fact of the matter is, when I went to college, I could get a summer job and work a little bit during the school year and pay the total cost of college. You can't do that now. You'd have to be a heart surgeon to do that at most schools.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah, you got, you know, you got to have a degree to do heart surgery. You know what I'm saying?

>> Frank Gaffney: Yeah, yeah, that's true.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Frank Gaffney: Hopefully it would be a good degree, because a lot of times that's another thing that drives cynicism. People are paying for the degrees, and then they get out and they find out that the degree has not prepared them for vocational work of any kind.

>> Tim Wildmon: How do you. That's a very good point. You know, parents I know who are most of the time the one paying for the college education. You do, you do take a look at what your son and daughter pick to study, and you go, can you get a job in that field? Okay. And I know, you know, a lot of parents go, you know, I don't think, majoring in art culture based on.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Well, especially based on where you live.

>> Tim Wildmon: Unless you're going to teach art.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yeah, sure.

>> Tim Wildmon: yes, based on where you live, whether you're going to be able to get opportunities, you're going to be able to job. So 40% of college students take out loans and never complete their degree. Wow. That's pretty much true. So what do you. What do you. What advice do you give to parents who are, trying to help guide their kids? Go ahead. I'm here. Can you hear me? Can you hear me? We're having Internet problems. We're having

Internet problem. I think it's Iranians, quite frankly, messing with our Internet. What were you going to say?

>> Wesley Wildmon: I was going to ask him. And I'll go ahead and put the question I have for us. What is it? A couple years back I saw a video from Prager University emphasizing there's about four or five trades that you need that you have to have an education for. Like you just joked medicine about. Yeah, I mean if you're. Yeah, yeah. If you're going to do, finance.

>> Tim Wildmon: Things like that, you're going to have.

>> Wesley Wildmon: To be, well, even finance, not so much. But definitely heart surgery. So I'd be curious to him what would be his call or what would be his pull for when to go.

>> Tim Wildmon: To Vtech school or when you go to a vocational school and when to go to a, university.

>> Wesley Wildmon: And I would like his perspective because, I mean, he is right. I mean he is a president of a university that offers more than just those four or five. So.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, Ray, what about that? While we're waiting to get Dr. Windler on, a lot of people are now considering, and I think wisely, hey, there's no point going to a four or five or six years of college when I can go to a school to learn how to be a, electrician, a mechanic or a mechanic or a plumber or whatever.

>> Tim Wildmon: Well, today you may go to a school and drop \$150,000 or if you count all expenses, even \$200,000 and come out with a, with a degree in medieval basket weaving. And there's not a big market for that today. It's hard to make money doing that. Then you got to start at the bottom, of some, of some field that your college degree, did not prepare you for. Then you got to ask yourself, what did I get for my \$150,000? And the answer is not much.

>> Chris Woodward: You know, one thing that, I think some people, fail to impress upon, like young people today, a lot of young people today want to be an influencer. They want to be on YouTube or social media hawking something.

>> Tim Wildmon: I do.

>> Chris Woodward: And they fail to realize that everybody expects a toilet to flush, a light to come on, or a roof over their head. There's nothing wrong with blue collar work. So if you're not sure about what you want to do in the future, go to school for six months, learn a trade, and that'll put you in the market, making money, paying taxes. Nothing wrong with that.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Another one is, a barber shop or a hair salon. A lot of, I mean, you don't have to go to four years and spend, you know, 150K to be to do a job like this.

Dr. Walter Windler says too many colleges are increasingly seen as ideologically biased

>> Tim Wildmon: Dr. Walter Windler from president of West Texas A and M University joins us now. you could go to study how to keep the Internet working. That could be a major there, huh?

>> Frank Gaffney: there could be.

>> Tim Wildmon: And they're called it people. And all of them do. Well, they have jobs. they do. Where were we, Dr. Winter? I was at. You were commenting.

>> Frank Gaffney: Yeah, well, we were. We're talking about the. The utility. I'll call it the utility, the vocational utility of a degree. And you know, there's an old, Yiddish proverb that some people attribute to the Apostle Paul, although I've never seen it in his writings, that basically says, if you haven't taught your son a trade, you've taught him to be a thief. And I think in some ways that's what we're talking about here, of something that has, purpose in the workplace and other people are willing to pay for. I mean, that is, in a sense, the capitalism of work. if you have a job and do it well, well, somebody in all likelihood will pay you for it. And if you don't, or if you don't have the skills to do something of value to the general public, you know, that's a. That's a challenge.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah, absolutely.

>> Frank Gaffney: you know, we.

>> Tim Wildmon: We.

>> Frank Gaffney: You know, some of the other things that I point out in this, piece, Tim, that you. That, By prompting me with. I mean, it is important. Too many universities, are increasingly seen as, ideologically driven or biased. and they tend to lean away from what I would consider to be conventional, traditional thought processes and lead to another side of the political spectrum. And that builds distrust, especially for families that want to see children gain access to a good life, you know, a good skill set that allows somebody to be a productive provider for their family. and it's unfortunate that, they come out with, you know, with these ideas that, seem to be, embedded in their studies at some universities. The news.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah, yeah. I would say one other thing, and this is sort of related. You're talking about ideology, and we've heard all the reports over the college campuses. and it's

long known that, the majority of college campuses, the vast majority probably of college campuses and university campuses in our country have, professors that are left wingers. Okay. And that doesn't really matter to me so much as if, If they're not going to force that ideology on their students, you know, because almost all of them, I don't know why that, why that is. But again, not all or there are a lot of. There are some conservatives, but on campus. But on campuses, some people are just independent. They just teach their subject and they don't try to force feed, their ideology. I remember when I was in college, this is back in the 80s, and it was at a state university, Mississippi State University. I was taking like an anatomy and physiology. I don't know why. What I was doing in that class you talk about, why am I in here?

>> Chris Woodward: That was me.

>> Tim Wildmon: And I m. Was looking around going, I don't know. Am I the only one that doesn't understand what she's saying? Anyway, she was a professor and it was the first time I ever heard a person talk about, evolution. and she was, she was basically speaking. Just talking about evolution and I'm talking about Darwinian evolution and how that was fact. And you know, I, was thinking about. Well, I want to ask her questions. I would. Because she was sort of putting down those of us who came from Christian homes who believed in the Genesis account. Right. Of creation. And anyway, that. I'm just saying that that was way back in the 80s. So I know I think being challenged in your faith is not always a bad thing. It can be a good thing. You need to be challenged in your faith. But I would say this. If you're a parent considering sending your child off to a secular university or a state university, or sometimes, you can go to a college that has a Christian name in it and they're still secular in their orientation oftentimes. But you need, but that. That student needs to be well grounded in their faith before they go take on, you know, challenges that they're never gonna. That they haven't had to necessarily contend with yet. Does that make sense? Dr. Windler?

>> Frank Gaffney: Makes tremendous.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Frank Gaffney: And I'll tell you what, Tim. my wife Mary and I talk about this, frequently. That has to start at home.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yes.

>> Frank Gaffney: You can't expect. And, and too many of us as Christians, we expect the church to do that for us and the church will help us. But our fundamental responsibility as parents is to I'm going to say reproduce our beliefs in our children, is to share them as clearly with kids and let them know the difference between right and wrong based on our

view of the world through God's word. And I, you know, not many public universities are going to talk. Presidents will talk like that. But I do. And to your point, Tim, about, you know, why. Why is it that so many professors, lean. I'm going to say lean left. That's what you said. M. And I'll tell you one of my findings and some research that I'm doing right now. Over half of all of the presidents of the United States, that's 24, which is more than half by one, have graduated from nine institutions. And those are Harvard, Yale, the College of William and Mary, Princeton, Stanford, Columbia, Georgetown, the U.S. military Academy and the U.S. naval Academy, West Point and Annapolis, of course, overhead, 24 have graduated from those, schools. And that's according to the center of effective lawmaking. But here's what's amazing.

Dr. Walter Wendler says cynicism in higher education is rising

and I think you'll appreciate this. this is a stunningly select set of college campuses. There are 3,931 universities in our nation. And here's the fact. 0002% of these institutions have produced over 50% of the presidents of the United States. So if you want to look at what the average president of the United States thinks or that half of the presidents think, look at what happens at those institutions. And I'm not being critical. I mean there's some good, very good institutions on that list, but they are a select set of institutions that guide the thinking of young people that end up in leadership. You know, William F. Buckley, a Yale graduate, famously quipped in an Esquire magazine article published in 1961, he said, and I quote, I'd rather be governed by the first 2,000 people in the telephone directory, he said, than by Harvard University. I didn't say that. I'm just quoting it. I know, and by the way, that it stood the test of time. And I think it's important. But all of this in my mind is leading to cynicism in higher education and in all, but especially in public higher education. And I think good leaders can do something about that by pushing back on this kind of stuff using common sense.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yes, sir. Dr. Walter Wendler has been our guest president of West Texas A and M University in Amarillo. And they, his article is called Public Cynicism Regarding Higher Education is Up. We have that posted. So if you go to our Today's Issues Facebook page, we posted this column by Dr. When there are a lot of good facts and information in it for your consideration. Dr. Winter, thanks for being on with us. And every time you're on with us, I just wait for you to get fired the next day, for being on, for being on, for, you know, somebody saying you shouldn't Be on American Family Radio. And you survived now a year. I think so anyway, maybe, maybe it's.

>> Frank Gaffney: Maybe it's making me stronger.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Frank Gaffney: Yeah, it's making me strong.

>> Tim Wildmon: Amen. All right. Thank you, Dr. Windler. Appreciate it. Bye Bye.

>> Frank Gaffney: Appreciate it.

>> Tim Wildmon: Bye bye.

Dr. Walter Windler is the new president of Michigan State University

Okay, that's Dr. Walter Windler. I think he grew up in New York, he said. And you can still tell. Yeah, he's got the leftover New Yorker accent, but he.

>> Tim Wildmon: Look, I don't know where he comes from, Tim. We could use about a thousand more presidents like him. Outspoken. He's a Christian, he believes the Bible and he's leading a M. Major public university, God bless him.

Supreme Court on Monday allowed Trump administration to restart swift deportations

>> Wesley Wildmon: In all that's taken place, across the sea, the ocean, there's been been a really good news that took place yesterday. And that was a Supreme Court ruling.

>> Chris Woodward: Yeah, yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: Tell us about the Supreme Court ruling. Major victory for President Trump.

>> Chris Woodward: Yes.

>> Frank Gaffney: Divided.

>> Chris Woodward: Supreme Court on Monday allowed the Trump administration to restart swift removals of migrants to countries other than their homeland, lifting for now a court order requiring they get a chance to challenge the deportations. The High Court majority did not detail its reasoning for the brief order.

>> Tim Wildmon: What was the score of the, of the High court, does it say, 46363.

>> Chris Woodward: because Justice Sonia Sotomayor, joined, by two other liberal justices, issued a scathing dissent. The AP says. So it was six to three.

>> Tim Wildmon: All right, so, so what you got here is you had a Supreme Court decision and, and the Trump administration was waiting to see what they would say. But they've said that if, you are here in the United States illegally and you are arrested by ICE and you are

deported, you can be deported to a country other than the one of your origin. Is that what they said?

>> Chris Woodward: Correct. So you could be going to El Salvador, even if it might be from, you know, Chad or something.

>> Tim Wildmon: Scary thought.

>> Chris Woodward: Immigrated here illegally.

>> Tim Wildmon: That's a scary thought. you know, if you're in that, in that position.

>> Chris Woodward: Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: You know, to be. I think that'll, you know, listen. What President Trump's policies. Right. Have shut down the border.

>> Tim Wildmon: It's the safest it's been.

>> Tim Wildmon: And just shut it down.

>> Tim Wildmon: Shut it down. Right. The bad guys know they're not going to be able to get through now.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right, Exactly. It's just shut it down. And So, that was you talking about promises made, promises kept. That is one big one that President Trump ran on closing down the border.

How many Iranians came into our country during Biden's administration

But which leads us to this story that is, I was looking at a story Last night with, and had the, it had the number of Iranians that came in when Biden opened up our borders and said to the world, y' all come. And they did.

>> Chris Woodward: Right.

>> Tim Wildmon: Like 15 million people that he allowed to flood into our country with free passes. and I know we've talked about this ad nauseum, and that did hurt the Democrats in the, in the election because people, the majority of Americans were fed up with watching what was going on with the border.

>> Chris Woodward: Yeah.

>> Tim Wildmon: But now, what do you. How many Iranians came. That we know of came into our country during Biden's administration?

>> Chris Woodward: Yeah. This is coming from a news outlet called the Center Square, which does straight News. More than 1,500 citizens of Islamic Republic were stopped by US immigration officials as they attempted to cross illegally from 2021 to 2024. Of the 1504 who were apprehended by immigration officials, 729 were allowed to stay in America by the Biden Harris administration.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah. So, you know, I don't.

>> Chris Woodward: Those are just the ones we talk.

We keep hearing about possible sleeper sales in the U.S.

>> Tim Wildmon: About possible sleeper sales. That's the reason I bring this up. But we keep hearing about possible sleeper sales in the U.S. sponsored by Iran, or Iran, whichever one you want to call it. And if you say, well, how would they get here? The. Well, they would have gotten here during Biden's administration when he opened up the floodgates.

>> Chris Woodward: Yeah.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Through the southern border.

>> Tim Wildmon: Yeah.

>> Wesley Wildmon: Yeah. I know we mentioned this a lot, but I personally don't get nauseated talking about it just because I know the potential long term, not potential at this point, the long term effect that it's going to have on our country and what the open of the border in the Biden administration. And I think every opportunity we can get to point back to this was a purposeful and intentional, plan on the Democrat side and they supported it.

>> Tim Wildmon: Right.

>> Wesley Wildmon: That we need to take every opportunity we get. So, thank goodness for the Supreme Court ruling in the correct direction, allowing President Trump to continue his plan of deportation.

>> Tim Wildmon: All right, we'll be back momentarily with more of today's issues on the American Family Radio Network. Stay with us. M. The views and opinions expressed in this broadcast may not necessarily reflect those.

>> Jeff Chamblee: Of the American Family association or American Family Radio.