

# Good News By Vic Dove Drawing a Line

*"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land."*  
2 Chronicles 7:14

Dr. Tony Evans is a Christian pastor, teacher and evangelist. Dr. Evans was the first African American to graduate from Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas. He is well known, not only in the Dallas Fort Worth area, but the United States and all over the world by his radio and television ministries.

Dr. Evans was asked by the civic leaders in Dallas to give the invocation at a city affair. He was glad for the opportunity, since his local church has a tremendous outreach to the young people in the area. After asking Dr. Evans to come to their function and pray, they

added, "By the way, don't pray in the name of Jesus. That could be offensive to some. Just pray." Dr. Evans quickly responded, "If you don't want me to pray in the name of Jesus, don't ask me to pray. Get someone else."

Dr. Evans saw through the supposed opportunity to be involved in a civic affair. The opportunity was there. As a citizen of Dallas, he would have been delighted to have been included. But, as a citizen of heaven, he drew the line.

First, let me start by saying, we live in the greatest nation in the world. I love the United States of America with all my heart. But, I believe we can all agree that we have many problems. And because the problems are so many and so big they are too overwhelming for any government (which is made up of people) to control. To list all our problems and their reasons would take a library of articles, but let's isolate on one area that will explain away many of the reasons for the decline in morals and values in our great country.

Our government took a stand against the Word of

God under the mask of a misinterpretation of the term separation of church and state. Let me explain.

A couple of decades or maybe three or four decades when I was in high school, the Bible and Prayer were still in the school system. The major problems in school were talking in class, chewing gum, running in the halls, and smoking in the boys' room. Today, our problems are drugs, guns, suicide, alcohol, sexually transmitted diseases and mass shootings.

Yet, we can trace the problem all the way back to when our society and government decided that prayer and the Word of God should have no part in the school system or the government. From there, the foundation crumbled. You may be asking, what can I do Bro. Vic? Glad you ask.

There are no laws, rules, or policies binding enough, nor is there any security system strong enough to keep out the weapon of prayer. We've got to pray folks.

Shoulder to Shoulder,  
Bro. Vic

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