

My Vision For America

Abraham Lincoln once said, "My dream is of a place and a time where America will once again be seen as the last best hope of earth." When our Founding Fathers were completing the Constitution they were shaping their vision of what America should look like during their time. It was like they had a ball of clay and they sculpted out the "perfect" masterpiece. With the Bill of Rights, they created an unbiased list of positive and negative laws that enabled a citizen the rights to freedom. It all was based on protection, the importance of the military, and most importantly religion. My vision for our country would fall back on our Founding Fathers and bring back everything they wrote down and modernize it.

The second amendment says in modern terms that we have the right to protect ourselves by carrying a weapon. It makes citizens feel safe to have the right to protect themselves. We lose this ability, and disaster will strike us down. If everyone was capable of protecting themselves would the crime go up or down? I think it would go down if more people had a conceal and carry permit. There has been too many school shootings in the past five years. If teachers and professors were able to have a handgun, students and teachers would be safer. Now there would have to be restrictions. I think teachers should keep the gun in a safe and access it when needed so students wouldn't be tempted to play with it and take it out to shoot people as well.

As Americans, our visions are all about the same. We want to be able to have the ability to pick and choose our occupations, religion, and the right to free education. America would be polished if everyone all agreed to work instead of living off welfare and food stamps. My idea would be able to get rid of welfare and use that money to help military families. I also think we

should consider reducing the salary of professional athletes and increase the pay for people who are putting their lives down for this country. Social media should focus more on the importance of soldiers fighting in Iraq rather than Lamar Odom overdosing on illegal paraphernalia.

Finally, if America can stick to tradition and follow the motto 'In God We Trust' it would turn everything around and we would be back to the place we first started. It would put the important thing first; that God is our creator and that we should follow His ideas and change our foundation based on His commandments. Prayer should be present in everyday lives. People shouldn't be ashamed to proclaim the Lord's Prayer in public. We may or may not have the privilege to even say it in our house in the future. That is the most feared thing for me.

My vision has been simple; we just need to go back to tradition and keep everything based on protection, focus more on soldiers fighting, and the right to our religious beliefs. The United States' motto has been around for centuries. Everyone should know that God is the most important thing we should think about. I believe we should stick to tradition because that is what brought us here in the first place.