



QA: Should Christians Speak Out? by [John T Polk II](#)

All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.

QUESTION: Should Christians be speaking out when they could lose their Facebook or Twitter Accounts, or kicked out of school or jobs?

ANSWER: The "intimidation factor" of bullying can have far-reaching implication. People may cower in fear that:

1. ***They would lose to an enemy and become slaves.***

[Goliath] stood and cried out to the armies of Israel, and said to them, "Why have you come out to line up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and you the servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants. But if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." And the Philistine said, "I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together."

When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid. (**1 Samuel 17:8- 11**)

But it took a lad of faith to say:

"The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine."
(**1 Samuel 17:37**)

It was not David's reckless disregard for his life, but willingness of faith to save his people! Freedom and Liberty always come at a high price and only those dedicated to it are willing to pay that price. Champions of Power for themselves over individual freedom (modern "Goliaths" whose boasting is of power and intimidation over all other personal thoughts) should be brought down with the stones of absolute truth to "make you free" (**John 8:32**)!

2. ***They would be rejected in church:*** There was "a man who was blind from birth" (**John 9:1**), but now could see (**John 9:6-7**), and

... the Jews who did not believe concerning him that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?"

His parents answered them and said, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but by what means he now sees we do not know,

or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself.”

His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed that He was Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, “He is of age; ask him” (**John 9:18-23**). But NO church or religious organization should be allowed to stop the truth! If preaching what the Bible says excludes someone from any religion, then that religion does NOT have the endorsement of God!

3. ***But God Has Praise For Bold Faith And Damnation For Cowardly Fear!*** Since

God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. [Christians must] not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord. (**2 Timothy 1:7-8**)

Hell awaits “the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars.” (**Revelation 21:8**)

In God (I will praise His word), In God I have put my trust; I will not fear.
What can flesh do to me? (**Psalms 56:4**)

Christians are commanded: “Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer.” (**Revelation 2:10**)

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