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*A Syndicated Column*

*Name: Romney Chooses Paul Ryan*

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“Hi, Julie,” I said. “What do you think about the choice of Paul Ryan to be Mitt Romney’s running mate?”

“I think it was a good choice,” Julie replied. Ryan is obviously conservative in his views and is popular in his home state of Wisconsin. He is tall, good looking and he is young. He is more than 25 years younger than Biden and that will likely appeal to many of the younger voters. And he understands the economic issues better than just about anyone in Congress. And, frankly, the economy is the main concern of the American people at this time.”

“That’s true,” I replied. “He’s a good spokesperson for the conservative viewpoint. He actually understands the issues and can speak fluently about them. He doesn’t need a teleprompter to tell him what to say like many other politicians.”

“Yes,” Julie replied. “Frankly I hope they have a Vice Presidential debate between him and Biden this year. Biden wouldn’t stand a chance.”

“Biden certainly has made a number of embarrassing blunders,” I replied.

“But,” Julie continued, “I don’t think there is the slightest chance a Vice Presidential debate will happen this election season. I don’t think the Obama team will permit it.”

“You’re probably right,” I replied. Then I added, “Ryan’s knowledge of the economy is probably the best thing he has going for him. I can tell you that the economy comes up frequently when I am talking to the guests at the hotel. People are worried.”

“That’s true,” Julie replied. “Unemployment is at 8.3%. But even more significant is the number of people who have been out of work for six months or more during this recession. That figure is 40%, and that figure doesn’t even include people who took an early retirement or who didn’t go on unemployment and were, therefore, not counted.”

“So, what do you think about the Romney-Ryan ticket,” I asked? “Do you think they have a chance of winning in November?”

“Yes, I do,” Julie answered. “We didn’t get any immediate bounce in the polls, but it did electrify the people who came out to hear the announcement. And I do believe we will see a long term effect that will have a positive outcome on the presidential election. So I do think there is a good chance.”

“I hope so,” I replied.

Julie continued, “The staunch conservatives and the tea partiers will have no other choice but to vote for the republicans. The addition of Ryan to the ticket will certainly make them feel better about their vote. Palin says that the independents will determine the outcome of this election. And I think the economy will cause many of those people to lean toward the republican ticket this year, especially with Ryan on it.”

“What do you think about Michael Savage’s comment that naming Ryan as his running mate means ‘this is the end of the Romney campaign,’” I asked?

“Savage had too much to drink when he wrote that piece,” Julie shot back without hesitation. “What do you think about it?”

“I didn’t actually see that page on his website,” I answered. “It had been removed. I’m guessing that after he wrote it, he was embarrassed by it, so he removed it.”

“That could be,” Julie replied.

“What do you think about Rush Limbaugh prediction concerning what will happen if there is a republican victory in November,” I asked?

“What did he predict,” Julie asked?

I answered, “He said he is ‘jazzed’ about Ryan being on the ticket and that if the republicans win the election in November there will be an immediate economic recovery.”

“Really,” Julie asked?

“Yes,” I replied. “He said, ‘I guarantee’ the stock market will go through the roof and that small businesses will start to hire. He said

‘It’s gonna happen so fast, you’re not gonna believe it.’”

“Wow,” Julie replied. “That’s a very bold statement. I am personally hopeful that a republican win in November will bring improvements to the economy, but I would really hesitate to make a claim that bold. Are you sure he really said that?”

“Yes,” I replied, “I read it on his website myself.”

“I do hope he’s right,” Julie replied.

“I don’t think he could be,” I commented.

“Why,” Julie asked?

“Well,” I answered, “There’s a real possibility that our economic problems are God’s punishment for the moral decay in this nation. Look around you. Immorality is rampant. Abortions are done by the millions. Dishonesty is the norm. Politicians are corrupt. Stealing is done on virtually every level. So, if there is no significant change in the moral climate, I doubt we will see a dramatic change in the economy either, even if the conservatives do win.”

“That sounds crazy, David.”

“I know it does, but unfortunately, what the Bible says on this issue is clear. You’ve known me a long time, Julie. I’m not crazy. I’m just a plain man who is sincere about his religious faith.”

“Well,” Julie replied, “I just hope that Romney and Ryan win in November.”

“I do too,” I replied.

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The author really does believe that at least part of the problem we have with our economy is because our nation has turned away from God. Historically this nation has been a God fearing nation. But today it must be hard for God to answer the prayer ‘God bless America.’

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