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"An Open Letter to Chaplain Agnew, St. Anne's Episcopal Church"

Dear Chaplain Agnew,

Last Sunday you had a marvelous opportunity to bless our President and our Great Nation by gentle, yet firm spiritual guidance, so badly needed by President Bush at this critical time in our nation's history.

If the newspaper reports of your comments to the congregation are accurate, then I must express my profound sadness and disappointment. You were quoted as saying that President Bush is "THE SPIRITUAL LEADER" of America. I would be most gratified if that were indeed true; but Mr. Bush, according to his stated position on many issues, that are directly contrary to the teachings of Jesus, desperately needs spiritual guidance from members of the clergy, such as yourself, before he can earn the right to be called a true "spiritual leader".

By making that simple error in judgment, it appears that you are suggesting that Jesus would condone the continuing wholesale destruction of God's Creation, the death penalty, with its frequent execution of the innocent, and a commitment to war, instead of peace. You lost an extremely rare and vitally important opportunity to respectfully and gently lead our President toward the peace, love, forgiveness, and kindness, that represents the beautiful spirit of Jesus.

I pray daily, that the spiritual leaders of America who may have the opportunity to help our President grow in Christ's spirit, will "FEAR NOT," and NOT be so mesmerized by his presence in their churches, that they will direct him in the paths of righteousness, rather than appear to bless positions and policies that is often counter to the teachings of Jesus.

Hoping that all Americans will pray for our President, The Universal Ethician Church is sponsoring the following web sites: www.prayforbush.org, and www.godblessourpresident.org.

Should you have a future opportunity to address the political leader of "the greatest nation in the world," may the love and spirit of Jesus guide you in leading our President to promote love, not war; stewardship, not exploitation of Creation; and kindness and compassion for all of Planet Eden's inhabitants.

Yours in Christ's love,
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