

# Texas Baptist Forum

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### **Business matters**

I thoroughly enjoyed “Taking care of business” ([April 14](#)). It’s clearly right on target.

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## Out((Loud))

*“Science and faith, reason and faith should never be seen as opposites but as bed-fellows.”*

### **Tony Blair**

Former British prime minister  
and a recent convert to  
Catholicism (RNS)

*“I want to say it again, and again, and again: Islam is not a religion. It is a political system ... bent on world domination, not a religion.”*

### **Pat Robertson**

Religious broadcaster, speaking  
on the *700 Club* (RNS)

*“What will this do for Ronald McDonald’s image? What secret has Ronald been keeping?”*

### **Dwayne Hastings**

Vice president of the Southern  
Baptist Ethics & Religious  
Liberty Commission, regarding  
McDonald’s sponsorship of the  
Gay & Lesbian Chamber of  
Commerce (BP)

*“God.”*

### **George W. Bush**

U.S. president, when asked what  
he saw when he looked into Pope  
Benedict’s eyes (RNS)

As a layman, I spent a career in industry before becoming a full-time church staff member. Frankly, I'm excited about the prospects of using time-tested, proven business techniques from industry to accomplish kingdom purposes.

The opportunity to reach people for Jesus is limitless when you combine the methods of strong business leaders with the servant-leader characteristics of our Lord.

Bob Hawkins

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### **Matter of Death**

Shame on the Supreme Court. This "high court" should eliminate the death penalty by declaring it unconstitutional. If the death penalty were abolished, we wouldn't have to wonder if the government was executing innocent people.

Supreme Court justices believe in the Ten Commandments. One of the commandments clearly states, "Thou shalt not kill." I guess there are exceptions to "God's law.

Even if the death penalty is constitutional, that doesn't make it right. After all, slavery used to be constitutional. If Jesus were a member of the Supreme Court, he would oppose all executions. The death penalty is wrong and should be abolished forever.

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