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## **QUESTIONS 1-2 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

Q.3 Now, I'd like to get your views on some issues that are being discussed in this country today. All in all, do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose [READ AND RANDOMIZE]? Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose [NEXT ITEM]?

	FAVOR			OPPOSE-			
		Strongly			Strongly		(VOL.)
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<b>Oppose</b>	DK/Ref
a. The death penalty for persons convicted of							
murder	62	29	33	32	11	21	6=100
Early January, 2007	64	30	34	29	11	18	7=100
March, 2006	65	27	38	27	8	19	8=100
July, 2005	68	32	36	24	8	16	8=100
Mid-July, 2003	64	28	36	30	10	20	6=100
March, 2002	67	33	34	26	9	17	7=100
March, 2001	66	30	36	27	10	17	7=100
September, 1999	74	41	33	22	7	15	4=100
June, 1996	78	43	35	18	7	11	4=100
b. The U.S. government guaranteeing health							
insurance for all citizens, even if it means							
raising taxes	63	26	37	32	13	19	5=100
Early January, 2007	66	27	39	29	11	18	5=100
July, 2005	64	25	39	30	10	20	6=100
December, 2004	65	31	34	30	10	20	5=100
Early September, 2004	66	30	36	26	11	15	8=100
August, 2003	67	23	44	29	10	19	4=100
c. Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally	36	13	23	55	31	24	9=100
Early January, 2007	37	13	24	55	33	22	8=100
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	30	10	20	57	31	26	13=100
July, 2006 <sup>1</sup>	35	12	23	56	31	25	9=100
June, 2006	33	13	20	55	32	23	12 = 100
March, 2006	39	10	29	51	28	23	10=100
July, 2005	36	13	23	53	31	22	11=100
December, 2004	32	14	18	61	38	23	7=100
August, 2004	29	8	21	60	35	25	11=100
July, 2004	32	10	22	56	33	23	12=100
Mid-March, 2004	32	10	22	59	35	24	9=100
Early February, 2004	30	9	21	63	42	21	7 = 100
November, 2003	30	10	20	62	41	21	8=100
October, 2003	30	9	21	58	33	25	12=100
Mid-July, 2003	38	10	28	53	30	23	9=100
March, 2001	35	8	27	57	34	23	8=100
June, 1996	27	6	21	65	41	24	8=100

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In June and July 2006, mid-March through August 2004, and October 2003, the question was not part of a list of items.

## Q.3 CONTINUED...

	FAVOR				OPPOSE			
		Strongly			Strongly		(VOL.)	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Total</u>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	DK/Ref	
d. Reducing legal immigration	45	19	26	45	15	30	10 = 100	

# NO QUESTION 4

Q.5 Do you think abortion should be (**READ**)

## (FORM 1 READ CATEGORIES IN ORDER, FORM 2 READ IN REVERSE ORDER)

			Illegal	Illegal	
	Legal in	Legal in	in most	in all	(VOL.)
	all cases	most cases	cases	cases	DK/Ref
August, 2007	17	35	26	17	5=100
March, 2007 Pew Social Trends	15	30	30	20	5=100
February 2006 Associated Press/Ispos-Poll	19	32	27	16	6=100
December 2005 ABC/Washington Post <sup>2</sup>	17	40	27	13	3=100
April 2005 ABC/Washington Post	20	36	27	14	3=100
December 2004 ABC/Washington Post	21	34	25	17	3=100
May 2004 ABC/Washington Post	23	31	23	20	2=99
January 2003 ABC/Washington Post	23	34	25	17	2 = 100
August 2001 ABC/Washington Post	22	27	28	20	3=100
June 2001 ABC/BeliefNet Poll	22	31	23	20	4=100
January 2001 ABC/Washington Post	21	38	25	14	1=99
September 2000 (RVs) ABC/Washington Post	20	35	25	16	3=99
July 2000 ABC/Washington Post	20	33	26	17	4=100
September 1999 ABC/Washington Post	20	37	26	15	2 = 100
March 1999 ABC/Washington Post	21	34	27	15	3=100
July 1998 ABC/Washington Post	19	35	29	13	4=100
August 1996 ABC/Washington Post	22	34	27	14	3=100
June 1996 ABC/Washington Post	24	34	25	14	2=99
October 1995 ABC/Washington Post	26	35	25	12	3=100
September 1995 ABC/Washington Post	24	36	25	11	4=100
July 1995 ABC/Washington Post	27	32	26	14	1=100

Q.6 Now I would like to ask your opinion about a specific abortion procedure known as "late-term" abortion or "partial birth" abortion, which is sometimes performed on women during the last few months of pregnancy. Do you think that this procedure should be legal or illegal?

		Gallup
		May 2007
17	Legal	22
75	Illegal	72
8	Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>5</u>
100		<del>9</del> 9

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Percentages from ABC/Washington Post surveys may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Q.7 As you may know, the federal government has debated whether to fund certain kinds of medical research known as 'stem cell research' ... How much have you heard about this? [READ, IN ORDER]

		July	July	Dec.	Aug.	March
		<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2002</u>
45	A lot	43	48	47	42	27
43	A little [OR]	42	42	41	43	52
12	Nothing at all	15	10	11	15	20
*	[VOL, DO NOT READ] Don't Know/Refused	*	*	<u>1</u>	*	<u>1</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100

Q.8 All in all, which is more important... [**READ, IN ORDER**]

		July 2006	July 2005	Dec. 2004	Aug. 2004	March 2002
	Conducting stem cell research that might result in new					
51	medical cures	56	57	56	52	43
	OR					
	Not destroying the potential life of human embryos					
35	involved in this research	32	30	32	34	38
<u>14</u>	[VOL, DO NOT READ] Don't Know/Refused	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>19</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100

#### **QUESTION 9 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

#### **ASK ALL**

Q.10 Now I'd like your views on some people. (First,) would you say your overall opinion of... [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]

How about (NEXT NAME)? [IF NECESSARY: would you say your overall opinion is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]

	FavorableUnfavorable					(VOL.) Never	( <b>VOL.</b> ) Can't	
	<u>Total</u>	Very	Mostly	<b>Total</b>	Very	Mostly	heard of	rate/Ref
a. George W. Bush	40	12	28	57	34	23	*	3=100
December, 2006	39	12	27	57	34	23	*	4=100
April, 2006	40	15	25	57	35	22	*	3=100
Late October, 2005	46	17	29	51	29	22	*	3=100
July, 2005	51	22	29	46	25	21	0	3=100
Late March, 2005	53	23	30	45	27	18	0	2 = 100
Mid-October, 2004 (RVs)	56	26	30	42	23	19	*	2 = 100
Early October, 2004 (RVs)	57	27	30	40	20	20	0	3=100
Early September, 2004	52	25	27	43	24	19	*	5=100
August, 2004	58	27	31	39	22	17	0	3=100
June, 2004	52	19	33	45	22	23	*	3=100
Early February, 2004	53	21	32	44	25	19	0	3=100
January 29-February 1, 2004	52			47				1=100
Gallup: January 2-5, 2004	65			35				*=100
Gallup: October 6-8, 2003	60			39				1=100
Gallup: June 9-10, 2003	66			33				1=100

# Q.10 CONTINUED...

	Favorable			Unfavorable			(VOL.) Never	( <b>VOL.</b> ) Can't
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	Mostly	Total	<u>Very</u>	Mostly	heard of	rate/Ref
April, 2003	72	<u>37</u>	35	25	11	14	0	3=100
January, 2003	70	28	42	28	10	18	0	2=100
December, 2002	68	35	33	27	11	16	0	5=100
July, 2001	61	22	39	35	14	21	*	4=100
January, 2001	60	24	36	33	12	21	0	7=100
May, 2000	58	18	40	31	12	19	1	10=100
March, 1999 <sup>3</sup>	61	21	40	21	7	14	4	14=100
November, 1997	54	13	41	18	6	12	9	19=100
b. Rudy Giuliani	54	12	42	28	9	19	8	10=100
Early April, 2006	70	26	44	14	4	10	10	6=100
Late October, 2005	63	22	41	17	6	11	10	10=100
Late March, 2005	60	20	40	17	5	12	7	16=100
May, 2000	37	9	28	18	6	12	26	19=100
c. Mitt Romney	28	5	23	24	7	17	29	19=100
d. John McCain	47	8	39	29	8	21	12	12=100
December, 2006	51	13	38	26	6	20	10	13=100
April, 2006	54	14	40	26	7	19	8	12=100
Late October, 2005	56	15	41	19	5	14	10	15=100
Late March, 2005	59	15	44	17	4	13	8	16=100
July, 2001	51	14	37	22	5	17	13	14=100
January, 2001	59	18	41	15	3	12	9	17=100
May, 2000	54	14	40	20	5	15	11	15=100
e. Fred Thompson	29	8	21	16	4	12	35	20=100
f. Hillary Clinton	55	21	34	39	21	18	2	4=100
December, 2006	56	22	34	39	21	18	*	5=100
April, 2006	54	20	34	42	21	21	1	3=100
Late October, 2005	56	20	36	38	19	19	1	5=100
Late March, 2005	57	22	35	36	17	19	*	7=100
December, 2002	47	15	32	44	23	21	1	8=100
July, 2001	53	20	33	42	23	19	1	4=100
January, 2001	60	25	35	35	16	19	*	5=100
May, 2000	49	15	34	42	22	20	1	8=100
Early December, 1998	66	32	34	31	15	16	*	3=100
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	58	24	34	36	18	18	*	6=100
Early September, 1998	64	24	40	31	13	18	0	5=100
Late August, 1998	63	25	38	34	13	21	*	3=100
March, 1998	65	26	39	31	14	17	*	4=100

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In March 1999 and November 1997 the category was listed: "Texas Governor George W. Bush."

#### Q.10 CONTINUED...

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		-Favorab			Jnfavora		Never	Can't
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	heard of	rate/Ref
January, 1997	57	17	40	40	17	23	*	3=100
June, 1996	53	13	40	43	17	26	*	4=100
April, 1996	49	12	37	46	19	27	0	5=100
February, 1996	42	14	28	54	27	27	0	4=100
January, 1996	42	10	32	54	26	28	0	4=100
October, 1995	58	14	44	38	14	24		4=100
August, 1995	49	16	33	47	22	25	*	4=100
December, 1994	50	17	33	45	20	25	1	4=100
July, 1994	57	19	38	40	18	22	1	2 = 100
May, 1993	60	19	41	29	11	18	1	10=100
g. John Edwards	47	10	37	29	10	19	11	13=100
Early April, 2006	47	10	37	27	9	18	11	15=100
Late October, 2005	50	12	38	23	6	17	10	17=100
Mid-October, 2004 (RVs)	58	18	40	31	13	18	1	10=100
Early October, 2004 (RVs)	50	16	34	28	11	17	2	20 = 100
Early September, 2004	49	16	33	31	11	20	3	17=100
August, 2004	58	22	36	24	6	18	4	14=100
Early February, 2004	42	9	33	24	7	17	8	26=100
January, 2003	22	4	18	14	4	10	43	21=100
h. Barack Obama	48	14	34	26	10	16	13	13=100

Q.11 In making your decision about who to vote for in the presidential election of 2008, will **[INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE]** be very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important? ... How important will **[NEXT ITEM]** be?

	Very	Somewhat	Not too	Not at all	
	<u>important</u>	<u>important</u>	<u>important</u>	<u>important</u>	DK/Ref
a. The issue of Iraq	72	21	3	3	1=100
June, 2007 (RVs)	73	20	3	3	1=100
Mid-October, 2004 (RVs)	74	20	3	2	1=100
August, 2004 (RVs)	70	24	3	2	1=100
b. Domestic issues such as the economy,					
health care, and the environment	78	18	2	1	1=100
c. Social issues like abortion and gay marriage	38	32	17	11	2=100

Now a different kind of question.

Q.12 Regardless of the specific candidates who are running for president, we'd like to know how you generally feel about some different traits. First, would you be more likely or less likely to support a candidate for president who [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE], or wouldn't this matter to you? How about if a candidate [NEXT ITEM]? [INTERVIEWER NOTE: PLEASE PROMPT RESPONDENT WITH RESPONSE OPTIONS WHEN NECESSARY]

	More	Less	Wouldn't	
	<u>likely</u>	<u>likely</u>	<u>matter</u>	DK/Ref
a. Is a woman	15	12	72	1=100
February, 2007	13	11	75	1=100

#### Q.12 CONTINUED...

b. Is black	9	6	84	1=100
February, 2007	7	4	88	1=100
c. Is Hispanic	9	15	75	1=100
February, 2007	4	14	80	2=100
d. Is Mormon	5	25	66	4=100
February, 2007	2	30	64	4=100
e. Is Muslim	3	45	49	3=100
February, 2007	1	46	49	4=100
f. Is an evangelical Christian	19	16	60	5=100
g. Does not believe in God	3 3	61	34	2=100
February, 2007		63	32	2=100
h. Is Catholic	13	7	79	1=100
i. Is Jewish	9	11	79	1=100

Q.13 On the abortion issue, do you happen to know if Rudy Giuliani is...pro-choice, that is, a supporter of abortion rights, pro-life, that is, favors new laws to outlaw abortion in almost all cases, or are you not sure where he stands on this issue?

	Republican		
	Registered		Newsweek
	Voters <sup>4</sup>		Feb. 2007 <sup>5</sup>
22	31	Pro-choice, that is, a support of abortion rights	34
7	7	Pro-life, that is, favors new laws to outlaw abortion in almost all cases	12
68	60	Not sure	51
<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	Don't know/refused (VOL.)	<u>3</u>
100	100		100

## **NO QUESTIONS 14-24**

Thinking about another topic...

Q.25 Do you think there has been too much, too little or the right amount of expressions of religious faith and prayer by political leaders?

				Mid-		Early
		July	August	July	March	Oct.
		2005	2004	2003	$2002^{6}$	$2001^{7}$
27	Too much	26	27	21	16	12
38	Too little	39	31	41	24	22
26	Right amount	27	32	29	53	60
<u>9</u>	[VOL, DO NOT READ] Don't Know/Refused	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100

<sup>1</sup> 

Based on Republican and Republican-leaning registered voters.

The *Newsweek* 2007 survey was based on Republican and Republican-leaning registered voters.

In March 2002 the question was worded, "Since September 11<sup>th</sup>, has there been too much, too little or the right amount of expressions of religious faith and prayer by political leaders?"

In Early October 2001 the question was part of a series and began, "As I read from a list, tell me if you think there has been too much, too little or the right amount of what I mention."

Q.26 During political elections, should churches and other houses of worship come out in favor of one candidate over another, or shouldn't they do this?

		August	March
		2004	2002
28	Should come out in favor of candidates	25	22
63	Should not come out in favor of candidates	65	70
<u>9</u>	Don't know/refused (VOL.)	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>
100		100	100

## **ROTATE Q.27/Q.28**

Q.27 How do you feel about this statement: It makes me uncomfortable when politicians talk about how religious they are. Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely DISagree with it?

		August	Sept
		<u>2004</u>	2000 (RVs)
15	Completely Agree	12	25
28	Mostly Agree	28	25
30	Mostly Disagree	34	26
20	Completely Disagree	22	19
<u>7</u>	Don't know/refused (VOL.)	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
100		100	100

Q.28 And how do you feel about this statement: It's important to me that a president have strong religious beliefs. Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely DISagree with it?

		August	Sept
		<u>2004</u>	2000 (RVs)
30	Completely Agree	29	35
39	Mostly Agree	41	35
16	Mostly Disagree	15	17
11	Completely Disagree	11	10
<u>4</u>	Don't know/refused (VOL.)	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>
100		100	100

Q.29 Do you believe that it is proper or improper for journalists to ask politicians how their religious beliefs affect their opinions on issues of the day?

		July
		<u>2003</u>
58	Proper	57
37	Improper	39
<u>5</u>	Don't know/refused (VOL.)	4
100		100

#### On another subject,

Q.30 Do you feel that [INSERT ITEM AND RANDOMIZE] is generally friendly toward religion, neutral toward religion, or unfriendly toward religion? PROGRAMMING INSTRUCTION: Q.30c SHOULD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW Q.30a, AND Q.30d SHOULD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW Q.30b.

	<u>Friendly</u>	Neutral	<u>Unfriendly</u>	DK/Ref
a. The Democratic Party	30	37	15	18=100
July, 2006	26	42	20	12=100
July, 2005	29	38	20	13=100
August, 2004	40	34	13	13=100
Mid-July, 2003	42	36	12	10=100
b. The Republican Party	50	23	9	18=100
July, 2006	47	28	13	12=100
July, 2005	55	23	9	13=100
August, 2004	52	24	10	14=100
Mid-July, 2003	52	27	10	11=100

# IF THINK DEMOCRATS ARE FRIENDLY/NEUTRAL/UNFRIENDLY TO RELIGION (Q.30a=1, 2, 3), ASK:

Q.30c And in your view, is this a good thing, a bad thing, or doesn't it matter to you?

#### a. The Democratic Party

- 30 Friendly
  - 15 Good thing
  - 2 Bad thing
  - 13 Doesn't matter
  - \* Don't know/refused (VOL.)
- 37 Neutral
  - 13 Good thing
  - 7 Bad thing
  - 17 Doesn't matter
  - \* Don't know/refused (**VOL.**)
- 15 Unfriendly
  - \* Good thing
  - 12 Bad thing
  - 3 Doesn't matter
  - \* Don't know/refused (VOL.)
- 18 Don't know/refused (**VOL.**)

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# IF THINK REPUBLICANS ARE FRIENDLY/NEUTRAL/UNFRIENDLY TO RELIGION (Q.30b=1, 2, 3), ASK:

Q.30d And in your view, is this a good thing, a bad thing, or doesn't it matter to you?

## b. The Republican Party

50	Friendly
23	Good thing
11	Bad thing
16	Doesn't matter
*	Don't know/refused (VOL.)
23	Neutral
6	Good thing
4	Bad thing
13	Doesn't matter
*	Don't know/refused (VOL.)
9	Unfriendly
1	Good thing
5	Bad thing
3	Doesn't matter
*	Don't know/refused (VOL.)
<u>18</u>	Don't know/refused (VOL.)
100	

## **ASK ALL:**

Q.31 Here are a couple of statements about the political parties. For each, please tell me if you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely DISagree with it. (The first one is...) (INSERT ITEM; ROTATE ITEMS)

	AGREE			DISAGREE			
		Comp			Comp		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>letely</u>	<b>Mostly</b>	<u>Total</u>	<u>letely</u>	<b>Mostly</b>	DK/Ref
a. Religious conservatives have too much							
control over the Republican Party	43	15	28	41	10	31	16=100
July, 2005	45	14	31	43	11	32	12=100
Early September, 2004 <sup>8</sup>	43	17	26	48	18	30	9=100
b. Liberals who are not religious have too							
much control over the Democratic Party	37	13	24	47	14	33	16=100
July, 2005	44	12	32	42	11	31	14 = 100

# **NO QUESTIONS 32-34**

In 2004, this question was asked only of registered voters, and was asked as part of a list. The question read, "Here are some statements about the candidates and political parties.

RELIG What is your present religion, if any? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?

**INTERVIEWER:** IF R VOLUNTEERS "nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc." **BEFORE REACHING END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH:** and would you say that's atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]

Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian,

- Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.)
- 23 Roman Catholic (Catholic)
- 2 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)
- \* Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)
- 2 Jewish (Judaism)
- \* Muslim (Islam)
- 1 Buddhist
- \* Hindu
- 2 Atheist (do not believe in God)
- 2 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
- 1 Something else (**SPECIFY**)
- 10 Nothing in particular
- 9 Christian (**VOL.**)
- \* Unitarian (Universalist) (VOL.)
- 2 Don't Know/Refused (**VOL.**)

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#### IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG=1-4, 13 OR CHR=1), ASK:

BORN Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

#### BASED ON TOTAL

- 34 Yes
- 43 No
- 4 Don't know/refused (**VOL.**)
- \* Undesignated
- 81% Christian

#### **ASK ALL:**

ATTEND Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

								Mid-				
		July	July	Aug	July	March	March	Nov	March	Sept	June	June
		<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	2003	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2001</u>	$2000^{9}$	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
14	More than once a week	15	14	13	16	15	15	16	17	17	12	14
26	Once a week	25	27	25	27	24	25	26	26	28	26	25
16	Once or twice a month	15	14	15	15	15	17	14	17	16	17	17
18	A few times a year	18	19	20	18	21	18	17	17	17	20	21
16	Seldom	14	14	15	14	15	15	16	15	13	15	13
9	Never	12	11	11	10	9	9	10	7	8	10	9
<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	*	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	*	<u>1</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

September 2000 results are based on registered voters.

- Q.35 How important is religion in your life very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?
  - 61 Very important
  - 24 Somewhat important
  - 8 Not too important
  - 6 Not at all important
  - 1 Don't know/refused (**VOL**.)

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Q.36 Which of these statements comes closest to describing your feelings about the Bible? [READ, IN ORDER]

		July 2006	July 2005	March 2004 <sup>10</sup>	Mid-July <u>2003</u>	March <u>2001</u>	June 1996
	The Bible is the actual word of God and is to be						
34	taken literally, word for word,	35	36	40	35	36	35
	OR						
	The Bible is the word of God, but not everything						
44	in it should be taken literally, word for word,	43	40	42	43	43	47
	OR						
	The Bible is a book written by men and is not the						
16	word of God.	18	18	13	16	14	14
2	[VOL. DO NOT READ] Other	2	2	1	2	3	2
<u>4</u>	[VOL. DO NOT READ] Don't know/Refused	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100

Q.37 People practice their religion in different ways. Outside of attending religious services, do you pray several times a day, once a day, a few times a week, once a week, a few times a month, seldom, or never?

- 35 Several times a day
- 21 Once a day
- 15 A few times a week
- 4 Once a week
- 6 A few times a month
- 11 Seldom
- 6 Never
- 2 Don't know/refused (**VOL**.)

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In 2004 and 2003, the response categories were read in reverse order to half of the samples.

Q.38 Do you believe in God or a universal spirit?

## IF BELIEVE IN GOD/UNIVERSAL SPIRIT (Q.38=1), ASK:

Q.39 How certain are you about this belief? Are you absolutely certain, fairly certain, not too certain, or not at all certain?

		<i>Gallup</i> Dec <u>1994</u>	<i>Gallup</i> Dec <u>1988</u>	<i>Gallup</i> Nov <u>1978</u>	<i>Gallup</i> June <u>1976</u> <sup>11</sup>
94	Yes, believe in God	96	95	94	94
73	Absolutely certain				
16	Fairly certain				
3	Not too certain				
1	Not at all certain				
1	Don't know/refused (VOL.)				
4	No, do not believe in God	3	5	4	3
<u>2</u>	Other/Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
100		100	$1\overline{0}1$	100	99

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.40 Now I am going to read you a list of some political figures. For each name that I read, please tell me how religious you think that person is -- very religious, somewhat religious, not too religious, or not at all religious. First, (INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE).

	Very religious	Somewhat religious	Not too religious	Not at all religious	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. George W. Bush	37	36	7	7	13=100
b. Rudy Giuliani	9	41	12	3	35=100
c. Mitt Romney	22	21	3	1	53=100
d. John McCain	11	40	7	2	40=100
e. Fred Thompson	5	23	5	2	65=100
f. Hillary Clinton	12	41	16	9	22=100
June, 1996	11	45	18	7	19=100
g. John Edwards	18	37	7	3	35=100
h. Barack Obama	15	36	6	3	40=100

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Based on responses from a national sample aged 15 and over. Percentages from the Gallup 1988 and 1976 surveys may not add to 100% due to rounding.

ASK ALL:
PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK:
PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	DIZ/	T	T
	<u>Republican</u>	Democrat	Independent	No <u>Preference</u>	Other <u>Party</u>	DK/ <u>Ref</u>	Lean <u>Rep</u>	Lean <u>Dem</u>
August, 2007	<u>Republican</u> 26	32	32	5	<u>r arty</u> 1	4=100	<u>кер</u> 10	16
July, 2007	27	32	34	4	*	3=100	11	17
June, 2007	25	34	32	6	*	3=100	10	17
April, 2007	25	28	40	5	*	2=100	13	17
March, 2007	25	36	33	3	*	3=100	12	16
February, 2007	25	34	34	4	*	3=100	10	18
Mid-January, 2007	24	35	34	3	*	4=100	12	18
Early-January, 2007	23	31	39	4	*	3=100	12	18
December, 2006	25	35	32	5	*	3=100	11	17
Mid-November, 2006	25	36	32	4	*	3=100	9	18
Late October, 2006	26	32	33	5	1	3=100	10	16
Early October, 2006	27	34	33	3	*	3=100	12	15
Early September, 2006	30	34	30	3	*	3=100	10	14
August, 2006	30	33	30	4	*	3=100	12	14
July, 2006	29	33	31	4	1	2=100	11	14
June, 2006	29	34	31	4	*	2=100	11	16
April, 2006	29	32	30	5	*	4=100	10	14
Early April, 2006	29	32	33	3	*	3=100	12	16
March, 2006	28 30	34 33	30 31	4	*	4=100 3=100	11 11	15 16
February, 2006 January, 2006	28	33 32	32	3 5	*	3=100 3=100	10	15
January, 2000	28	32	32	3		3-100	10	13
Yearly Totals								
2006	27.6	32.8	30.3	5.0	0.4	3.9 = 100	10.2	14.5
2005	29.2	32.8	30.3	4.5	0.3	2.8 = 100	10.2	14.9
2004	29.5	33.1	30.0	4.0	0.4	3.0 = 100	11.8	13.6
2003	29.8	31.4	31.2	4.7	0.5	2.5 = 100	12.1	13.0
2002	30.3	31.2	30.1	5.1	0.7	2.7=100	12.6	11.6
2001	29.2	33.6	28.9	5.1	0.5	2.7=100	11.7	11.4
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	0.6	3.6=100	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	28.2	<i>34.6</i>	29.5	5.0	0.5	2.1=100	11.7	12.5
2000	27.5	32.5	29.5	5.9	0.5	4.0=100	11.6	11.6
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	0.5	1.9=100	13.0	14.5
1998 1997	27.5 28.2	33.2 33.3	31.9 31.9	4.6 4.0	0.4 0.4	2.4=100 2.3=100	11.8 12.3	13.5 13.8
1996	29.2	33.3 32.7	33.0	5.2=100	0.4	2.3–100	12.3	15.6
1995	31.4	29.7	33.4	5.4=100			14.4	12.9
1994	29.8	31.8	33.8	4.6=100			14.3	12.6
1993	27.4	33.8	34.0	4.8=100			11.8	14.7
1992	27.7	32.7	35.7	3.9=100			13.8	15.8
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	4.5=100			14.6	10.8
1990	31.0	33.1	29.1	6.8=100			12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34=100					
1987	26	35	39=100					

# IF ANSWERED 1 IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYSTR Do you consider yourself a STRONG Republican or NOT a strong Republican?

		Not Strong/
	Strong	Don't Know
August, 2007	14	12=26%
July, 2007	16	11=27%
June, 2007	13	12=25%
April, 2007	14	11=25%
January, 2007	12	11=23%
Mid-November, 2006	14	11=25%
Late-October, 2006	14	12=26%
Early-October, 2006	15	12=27%
September, 2006	17	13=30%
December, 2005	16	13=29%
December, 2004	18	13=31%
July, 2004	17	12=29%
August, 2003	14	13=27%
September, 2000	14	13=27%
Late-September, 1999	10	14=24%
August, 1999	11	14=25%
November, 1997	11	14=25%
October, 1995	11	19=30%
April, 1995	15	15=30%
October, 1994	16	15=31%
June, 1992	11	17=28%
May, 1990	13	15=28%
February, 1989	15	16=31%
May, 1988	13	15=28%
January, 1988	12	15=27%
May, 1987	11	14=25%

# IF ANSWERED 2 IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYSTR Do you consider yourself a STRONG Democrat or NOT a strong Democrat?

		Not Strong/
	Strong	Don't Know
August, 2007	18	14=32%
July, 2007	19	13=32%
June, 2007	19	15=34%
April, 2007	15	13=28%
January, 2007	17	14=31%
Mid-November, 2006	22	14=36%
Late-October, 2006	18	14=32%
Early-October, 2006	19	15=34%
September, 2006	18	16=34%
December, 2005	20	14=34%
December, 2004	19	15=34%
July, 2004	20	13=33%
August, 2003	15	16=31%
September, 2000	19	15=34%

# PARTYSTR CONTINUED...

		Not Strong/
	<b>Strong</b>	Don't Know
Late-September, 1999	15	16=31%
August, 1999	15	18=33%
November, 1997	14	18=32%
October, 1995	14	16=30%
April, 1995	14	15=29%
October, 1994	18	14=32%
July, 1994	15	18=33%
June, 1992	14	18=32%
May, 1990	16	17=33%
February, 1989	17	21=38%
May, 1988	19	19=38%
January, 1988	19	20=39%
May, 1987	18	19=37%