

If this comes out short - ~~two short~~  
maybe we can put (Dolan/AB)  
back the "crime section" March 5, 1983  
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Nancy and I <sup>AM</sup> ~~are~~ delighted to be here today. Those of you in the National Association of Evangelicals are known for your spiritual and humanitarian work -- and I would be especially remiss if I did not discharge right now one personal debt of gratitude.

Thank you for your prayers. Nancy and I have felt their presence many times in many ways. Believe me, for us they have made all the difference. The other day in the East Room <sup>OF THE WHITE HOUSE</sup> someone

asked me whether I was aware of all the people out there praying for the President. <sup>YES I AM - BECAUSE I'VE FELT IT & I BELIEVE IN INTERCESSORY PRAYER</sup> I was touched, of course, but I'll tell you

~~But I couldn't help but say to that questioner that if sometimes what I told him: Thank you, but please keep it up. And when when he was <sup>you're</sup> at it, if you get a busy signal sometimes, keep trying.~~

<sup>was me</sup> It just means ~~I'm~~ in there ahead of <sup>him. I feel as Ab Lincoln felt when</sup> ~~you~~ <sup>by the overwhelming conviction that I had no</sup> he said, "I have even driven many times to my knees <sup>to</sup> ~~where else to go.~~"

From the joy and good feeling of this conference ~~we leave I go~~ <sup>I don't know why that</sup> for the hurly burly of a political reception for the Florida GOP. <sup>scheduling reminds me of a story, but it does.</sup> You can see it's a day of contrasts, ~~(it reminds me of a story I~~

~~may just tell the folks over at that reception. It seems this~~

<sup>arrived at</sup> An evangelical minister and politician ~~both died and went to~~ Heavens gate together. St. Peter took them in hand to show them their new quarters. He

took the minister to a small room with just a bed, <sup>a single chair</sup> and table. ~~So~~ naturally when <sup>was a little</sup> the politician ~~saw the modest quarters of this~~

~~holy man he was pretty~~ worried about what was in store for him. ~~And he~~ <sup>couldn't believe it when</sup> ~~Much to his surprise,~~ St. Peter <sup>stopped before</sup> ~~took him to~~ a great mansion,

with beautiful grounds and many servants and told him all this

