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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 1, 1995, at 12:30 p.m.

Senate

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1995

(Legislative day of Monday, April 24, 1995)

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m., on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

Gracious Lord of all life, help us never to separate what You have joined together. All of life is sacred to You. Forgive our imposed dichotomy between the sacred and the secular. Every person, situation, and responsibility is sacred because everyone and everything belongs to You. Give us a renewed sense that all that we have and are is Your gift. So may we cherish the wonder of life You have entrusted to us and live with an attitude of gratitude. May this gratitude be the motive of our work today in this Senate. We want our work to be an expression of our worship of You. Therefore we make a renewed commitment to excellence in everything we do and say.

All this is rooted in the inseparable relationship between intimacy with You and the integrity of our leadership. You've shown us that authentic intimacy results when the real I meets the true You in an honest, open, unpretentious relationship. It's when we come to You as we are that You whisper in our souls, "You are loved now!" Then the consistent experience of Your unqualified love gives us the courage to be genuine, loyal, and faithful to You in our relationships with others and our responsibilities as leaders to whom

You can entrust authority and power to govern this Nation.

Thank You for this time of quiet with You in which we can receive the peace of knowing that we are loved and forgiven, the healing of the hurts of harbored memories, the answers to problems that seem unsolvable, and the vision for our Nation that otherwise would be beyond our human understanding. We praise You that to know You is our greatest joy and to serve You is life's greatest delight. In the name of Him who is the way, the truth, and the life. Amen.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able acting majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, this morning at 10:30, following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 956, the product liability bill.

All Members should be aware that amendments are expected throughout the day. Therefore, Senators should be on notice that there will be rollcall votes during today's session which probably will go into the evening.

I yield the floor.

Mr. ASHCROFT addressed the Chair. The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HUTCHISON). The Senator from Missouri is recognized.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

Mr. ASHCROFT. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that I be allowed to allocate 15 minutes of time from Senator THOMAS of Wyoming, with whom I agreed that I should spend the time in his stead this morning.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

Mrs. HUTCHISON. Under the previous order, leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business for not to extend beyond the hour of 10:30, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 5 minutes each.

The Senator from Missouri is recognized.

Mr. ASHCROFT. Thank you, Madam President.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF CONGRESS

Mr. ASHCROFT. Madam President, the opportunities of this 104th Congress are substantial. They are substantial not only because every Congress has great opportunity, but they are substantial because we have a significant opportunity to change the direction in

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