

1 easy. One is expected to satisfy so many. Yet one thing  
2 is necessary -- that we satisfy you. This will be the one  
3 question that we shall all have to answer when our  
4 careers finally come to an end. Give us prudence and  
5 insight to fulfill our duties as representatives of the  
6 people with a good conscience. Let us be honorable  
7 in all our dealings, pursuant of the common good in all  
8 our deliberations, motivated by principle in all our  
9 actions. Let us seek Your help more often in prayer.  
10 Send Your Holy Spirit to guide us, particularly in those  
11 dark hours when the right course is not so clear.

12 Help us to understand that free speech is Your  
13 gift, and we have no right to be quiet through pride,  
14 cowardice, negligence or prejudice, but when the occasion  
15 demands, we must weigh our words in the sight of the  
16 Lord.

17 The lives and happiness of many depend on good  
18 representatives. There is so much to do for good. Let  
19 me not compromise but be motivated by the love You have  
20 shown for me. Amen.

21 THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.