## Whose Convictions Will Rule? by Deborah Flores

"A conviction is a belief that is considered true and worthy of standing upon regardless of the consequences." In pondering that statement made by Dr. Charles Stanley, it occurred to me that we Americans could learn something from our "Radical Muslim" enemies. Although their beliefs are misguided and downright evil, they have something that most modern day Americans lack—convictions. Radical Muslims have convictions strong enough to compel them to stand up for what they believe regardless of the consequences. They have demonstrated many times that they are willing to die for those convictions.

We, by contrast, have become a self-absorbed people without strong moral principles, who have propagated an anything-goes culture. I've heard it said that if you stand for nothing, you'll fall for anything. America is falling, and it is falling fast. Unless we return with conviction to the standards and truths upon which our nation was established and made great, we will continue to fall prey to a myriad of internal and external enemies who have the conviction we lack. Whose convictions will prevail... is up to us.