

on this and other ones. So again, they look for something from me that they will not themselves give to others. I'm going to see if I can just worry us and worry us until we decide to do it. And since most of you are religious, or pretend to be, or profess to be, I'm going to tell you a story that Jesus told about an unjust judge and he had the Nebraska Legislature in mind. But my story in the Legislature doesn't end the way this one did. This old unjust judge would come out of the courthouse every day, and this poor widow would say, oh judge, avenge me of mine adversary. And he said, woman, out of my way. Next day, oh judge, avenge me of mine adversary. Went on until he was so irritated and outdone, he said, though I fear not God, and though I regard not man, this woman is about to drive me to distraction; woman, what do you want? She said, judge, avenge me of mine adversary. So, he did the right thing, not because it was right, not because he respected the woman, but because he was tired of being hounded by this poor widow. So, Jesus may have been giving a number of messages. He could have been telling the judges there are judges who are not just, that if a woman is a widow she is going to have a hard way to go even when seeking justice. He could have been trying to tell that you must be persistent, you must not quit, that even if you go to the place where justice should be flowing down like a mighty stream and you don't find it, don't quit, continue to push for it. Force their hand. Make them do what they are supposed to do. So, in these little stories that Jesus told or stories that anybody else tells, it is like a trumpet, you get out of it what you put into it. So, if you don't have any skill in playing the trumpet, but you have a lot of wind, you can make a whole lot of noise but it is not considered music to the ears of anybody except maybe those who love you and think anything you do is really nice. But in the instance of the story that Jesus gave, I would convert the judge into the Legislature and the poor widow woman into the gays and the others who are looked upon with contempt and loathing by the members of this Legislature. And through me, they are going to come to you again, and again, and again, and say, oh unjust judge, though you be unjust, and you will not do the right thing because it is right, but to save yourself from this continual coming to you by me, avenge me of mine adversary. That is what I am going to continue to do on this issue. To be completely frank with you, I have not seen another issue that I can recall brought to the Legislature where there would be only one person speaking for that issue, especially one that implicated principles of justice, fairness,