

NC candidate agrees with Hyung Jin Moon - The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse are the Rothschilds, CIA, China and Islam

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Republican Lt. Gov. candidate Mark Robinson speaks during a ReOpen NC rally in downtown Raleigh on May 12

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The Republican candidate for lieutenant governor voiced agreement with a religious leader who says that the "Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" are the Rothschild family of "international bankers that rule every single ... central bank," the CIA, China and Islam.

The conversation is part of an interview that Mark Robinson did in 2019 with Pastor Sean Moon, whose father Sun Myung Moon founded the Unification Church, which some have called a cult.

Sean Moon's Pennsylvania-based church believes that the American government will collapse and that he will ultimately become king of the United States, [according to a 2018 Washington Post profile](#).

Robinson is up against Democratic state Rep. Yvonne Holley to replace Dan Forest, the outgoing lieutenant governor who is challenging Gov. Roy Cooper. Robinson's campaign has already faced [criticism for Facebook posts](#) in which he makes derogatory comments about transgender people, Muslims, a Jewish filmmaker, former President Barack Obama and fellow Black Americans who support Democrats.

But the Greensboro gun-rights activist voices other controversial views in [the interview with Moon](#), which was posted to YouTube and features the pastor wearing camouflage and a crown made of rifle shells.

Moon explains his theory about the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse, including the comments about the Rothschild family, which is a longstanding anti-Semitic trope about the influence of wealthy Jewish bankers.

Robinson then responds "that's exactly right. It's amazing to me, that we live in this age of information where you can go online and you can find all this information, and it's not hidden from anybody."

Asked about the interview this week, Robinson's campaign sought to distance the candidate from Moon's "Four Horsemen" theory.

"At no point in the interview does Mark talk about the four horsemen, and after the statement is made by the interviewer, Mark goes on to talk about how our culture, and particularly the media, despises Christianity and the Bible," campaign manager Conrad Pogorzelski said in an email.

The Charlotte Observer and News and Observer editorial boards interviewed candidate Mark Robinson about issues pertaining to the 2020 election. His answers will help inform voters before they cast their ballot this October and November. BY CHARLOTTE OBSERVER AND NEWS and OBSERVER EDITORIAL BOARDS