

## Gov Christie: Big Star at GOP Convention

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On Tuesday evening, Chris Christie introduced himself to the country, delivering a Republican National Convention Speech that focused on the New Jersey governor's tenure in office, governing philosophy and his belief that it's important to get respect over love.

Politico quotes Christie as saying that, "the greatest lesson Mom ever taught me, though, was this one: she told me where there would be times in your life when you have to choose between being loved and being respected. She said to always pick being respected, that love without respect was always fleeting &ndash; but that respect could grow into real, lasting love. Now, of course, she was talking about women."

Christie added, "but I have learned over time that it applies just as much to leadership. In fact, I think that advice applies to America today more than ever. I believe we have become paralyzed by our desire to be loved. Our Founding Fathers had the wisdom to know that social acceptance and popularity is fleeting and that this country's principles needed to be rooted in strengths greater than the passion and the emotions of times."

According to Politico, "a number of Republicans praised the speech in private conversations, saying it presents a roadmap for the party. Christie's aim, others insisted, was to use his state as a model for how Romney and others can wage tough fights."

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