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Who won?



The GOP presidential debate just ended — who shined and who faltered? Add a comment to weigh in.

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Ron Paul

Posted By Neil, Lexington Ky : June 5, 2007 9:13 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Joe, San Francisco, CA : June 5, 2007 9:14 pm

Only one candidate stood out strongly: Doctor Ron Paul! Ron Paul, Dr. Ron Paul! 😊

Posted By Dave, Naples, NY : June 5, 2007 9:15 pm

Ron Paul won. Without a question. It's so ridiculous to see that these guys keep pumping the same neo-conservative line about them "hating our freedoms" when CIA reports have historically said otherwise.

Posted By Elias Ambler : June 5, 2007 9:16 pm

Ron Paul won the debate. He is the only candidate that seems to be honest and not out of touch. He is also anti-amnesty and believes that Americans have the right to privacy and believes in property rights (anti-eminant domain: none of the other candidates have even touched it). Before this debate I was unsure about who to support (Democrat or Republican) and with this debate I'm totally with Ron Paul.

Posted By Jerel Poor, St Louis Missouri : June 5, 2007 9:18 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Justin Kansas City, MO : June 5, 2007 9:18 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Brian, Lapeer, MI : June 5, 2007 9:18 pm

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Ron Paul. All the other candidates not only fail to grasp the failure in Iraq but are chomping at the bit to nuke Iran proactively. Wow, talk about being detached from reality.

Posted By Ty Todd : June 5, 2007 9:18 pm

Ron Paul again.

Posted By Sammy, Dyersburg, TN : June 5, 2007 9:18 pm

The one candidate who is consistently right on the issues is Duncan Hunter. But he's all steak and no sizzle.

Posted By Ron, Phoenix, Arizona : June 5, 2007 9:19 pm

Top three (in order): Ron Paul, Mike Huckabee, Tom Tancredo. I like Gilmore, sort of like Romney, but I don't trust Giuliani, McCain, or Brownback, or Hunter.

Posted By Tim Jost, Denver, CO : June 5, 2007 9:19 pm

Ron Paul won hands down.

Posted By Mark, Detroit, Michigan : June 5, 2007 9:19 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Karen Vallejo, CA : June 5, 2007 9:20 pm

Ron Paul blew them out of the water.

Posted By Jeff Workman from Welch, West Virginia : June 5, 2007 9:21 pm

It was boring, boring, boring! I could have sworn Bush was doing all the talking. The repetitive "my friends" from McCain showed just how superior he feels...just like Bush. If nominated, he does not have my vote!!!

Posted By Lorraine Moser, Myrtle Beach, SC : June 5, 2007 9:21 pm

Ron Paul is the only true conservative among them.

Posted By Chris, Larkspur, CA : June 5, 2007 9:21 pm

Ron Paul shined again as the only candidate who avoided rhetoric and came through with a strong message that was well received.

Posted By Jonathan Sacramento, CA : June 5, 2007 9:22 pm

Ron Paul dominated the competition and made them look like fools once again.

Posted By Kirk, Myrtle Beach SC : June 5, 2007 9:22 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By A.L. Dawson : June 5, 2007 9:23 pm

Ron Paul won. He showed that he is the only conservative on that stage. He understands our Nation's great founding principles that continue to guide us today.

Giuliani was terrible. He ran around questions. Even God doesn't want to hear him speak.

Though only about 4 of 10 candidates answered what is the worst thing that GWB has done as president.

If the Republican party wants a NYC mayor, look no further than Bloomberg. The people of NYC replaced Giuliani with Bloomberg just months after 9/11 and never looked back. He cleaned up all of Giuliani's messes.

By the way, if Giuliani loves the war on terror so much, why doesn't he marry it?

Oh, right. He would probably divorce it two months later.

Posted By Jason, Albuquerque, NM : June 5, 2007 9:24 pm

The one who makes the most sense has always been Ron Paul, and this debate only reinforces the point.

Posted By Tim, Yonkers NY : June 5, 2007 9:24 pm

Ron Paul,
He is the only one that is right on all the issues. Number two: Tancredo-needs to back down on the wars.
Number three: Huckabee-trying too hard to please everybody.

Posted By Carla Corman, Montgomery, IL. : June 5, 2007 9:25 pm

Without question Dr. Ron Paul won this debate. It was especially clear how these neo-cons contradict themselves regarding the morals question. It is clear they do NOT value all life in their actions with pre-emptive illegal wars killing hundreds of thousands including our own brave soldiers. Ron Paul clearly stood out as the only candidate that would rally the country to lead by example. We cannot continue to simply say we value life yet act in manner, globally that indicates otherwise.

Posted By Brian Loy, Kansas City, MO : June 5, 2007 9:25 pm

Ron Paul, even though he was given too few questions. He answered frankly and openly, and he made sense unlike the others.

Posted By Cincinnati, OH : June 5, 2007 9:26 pm

Ron Paul and his reasoning skills sets him above the rest, he is articulate and treats the American public with respect and tells us the truth of the way things are. His comments on pre-emptive strikes was right on.

Posted By Mark Gosselin, Boothbay Maine : June 5, 2007 9:26 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Jamie Warrensburg Missouri : June 5, 2007 9:26 pm

CNN let Rudy answer almost every question,

it was Rudy and Romney all night...ALL NIGHT.

I'd say neither won...despite CNN>

Posted By Jason, snellville, GA : June 5, 2007 9:26 pm

Ron Paul was the only one who was principled leader who talked about freedom and meant it.

Posted By Mark, San Antonio, TX : June 5, 2007 9:27 pm

Giuliani

Posted By Nancy MacMillan Gorham, Maine : June 5, 2007 9:27 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Eric, Los Angeles, California : June 5, 2007 9:28 pm

Ron Paul hands down.

Posted By Jose, Bronx, NY : June 5, 2007 9:29 pm

Ron Paul won, Guilliani is nothing more than a mob boss, a dirty liar.

Posted By Jon Games : June 5, 2007 9:29 pm

Ron Paul. He's the only one who spoke his truth without acting like a typical politician. Romney was the worst with playing the typical politician and Giuliani and a couple of others played the fear card -pandering to what they thought people wanted to hear. Ron Paul is the only Republican so far, who I would vote for.

Posted By June Bakersville,NC : June 5, 2007 9:29 pm

I didn't actually listen to the debates (only able to follow online here). Since I don't really know anything about any of the candidates, and it looks like Ron Paul is going to win "Most Popular" at our HS Senior Breakfast this year, I guess I'll vote for him ... and troll every online form to tell everyone about him as well!

Posted By Alex, San Diego, CA : June 5, 2007 9:30 pm

Ron Paul wins again. He is the only one who has the guts to tell the truth while the majority of the rest only say what they think the American people want to hear.

Posted By Janet : June 5, 2007 9:30 pm

RON PAUL- TRUE AMERICAN

Posted By Anonymous : June 5, 2007 9:30 pm

RON PAUL!

Even though he was given less time than the three puppet candidates. Dr. Paul gave the debate of shot of truth. The champion of the constitution and debate.

Posted By Jade, Bay City Texas : June 5, 2007 9:30 pm

The thing is you already know! Try looking for a poll on the net for "who won?" it is hard to find BECAUSE THEY KNOW THAT RON PAUL WOULD WIN EVERY POLL!!

Ron Paur clearly won....but go ask your buddies....before they change their mind to Ron as well.

Posted By Dan Malone Clearwater Fl. : June 5, 2007 9:31 pm

Terrible hosting by Wolf Blitzer. When a candidates time is up, the microphone should be cut off. I ended up hearing too many smoke and mirrors from the upper tier candidates and not enough from the lower tier.

Shame on Wolf !!!! He did a terrible job.

Posted By Dianne Boyte, Matthews North Carolina : June 5, 2007 9:31 pm

Ron Paul won. Every other candidate wants to continue this war and Bush's failed policies. I can't believe that Rudy McRomney leads the polls. Wow, the Republicans are in big trouble.

CNN did a poor job. All the post-debate talk is about the 3 "main" candidates (those who have received exorbitant amounts of funds from special interests) who hogged all the limelight during the debate. Tonight, thanks to CNN's manipulation of mic time, viewers were left at the short end of the stick. And I thought you guys were the real fair and balanced network. I'm disappointed with CNN

Posted By Tyler, Santa Barbara, CA : June 5, 2007 9:31 pm

Only one candidate really stands out to me in both parties and that is Rep. Ron Paul from Texas. Dr. Paul is the only candidate that to me seems incorruptible. Not only does he abstain from participating in the lucrative congressional pension program but he has also never voted to raise taxes and he has never voted to raise congressional pay. To me he is by far the most unique and powerful candidate. Whether he is speaking about foreign policy or immigration he is a true conservative.

Posted By Robert Gordon, Olympia Washington : June 5, 2007 9:31 pm

To borrow a quote thrown around, it was a "slam dunk" for Ron Paul. he seemed to say what the public is screaming. BRING THE TROOPS HOME! He was the ONLY one who iterated the 8) percent of the publics outcry!

Posted By Jerry Dial, Townsend, Tennessee : June 5, 2007 9:33 pm

Ron Paul won in my opinion, even though he was cut off from answering the group-wide questions. I understand it was to keep the debate moving, but at the same time, Ron Paul is a significant candidate. He has a fertile grassroots campaign, and it is growing. I believe the man deserves to answer the question - isn't that what Blitzer guaranteed to the candidates?

Posted By Alex - Roswell, GA : June 5, 2007 9:33 pm

Ron Paul won, without a doubt. He stuck to the questions and gave consistent, accurate answers.

Posted By Jim Vernon, Eugene, OR : June 5, 2007 9:33 pm

Ron Paul. He answered the questions asked. Told the truth. **"You don't spread freedom with a barrel of the gun"** — best line of the evening

Posted By Gor Nishanov, Redmond, WA : June 5, 2007 9:34 pm

Ron Paul won this debate hands down! Because he points out why they hate us and it has nothing to do with our freedom! Also Paul wants to bring the troops home and stop policing the world!
Go Dr. Paul

Posted By Tony Blountville Tn : June 5, 2007 9:34 pm

That was a shameful cover of the debate. They hardly even talked to Ron Paul. The other candidates blurted out answers to questions that weren't even asked. It seemed as if you ignored the true facts of what's wrong with this country and ignored Ron Paul all together. You in conclusion are the worst news coverage on earth. Thank you for your time dirtbags.

Posted By Y Do U Need SocSec : June 5, 2007 9:34 pm

WINNER: RON PAUL..no doubt

Posted By Kriss, Philly, PA : June 5, 2007 9:34 pm

Ron Paul is the one that is most consistent with my position on most issues.

Posted By Charles Borwn, Parker Texas : June 5, 2007 9:36 pm

Ron Paul won. He was the only candidate that iterated what 70 percent of Americans say, and that is to "bring the troops home".

Posted By Jerry Dial, Townsend, Tennessee : June 5, 2007 9:36 pm

Tancredo won, but all the "minor" candidates gave straight and solid answers. The "big three" spouted nothing but gobble-dee-gook. Tancredo should pick up some support, I could see in his eyes he still gives a damn about this country. I also like Ron Paul, but he didn't get to say much.

Posted By Ryan Minneapolis Minnesota : June 5, 2007 9:36 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Anonymous : June 5, 2007 9:37 pm

Congressman Paul delivered a message that middle America has been waiting to hear for over 20 years.

Posted By Chris Meade, Columbus, Ohio : June 5, 2007 9:37 pm

RON PAUL WON ... WE are sick of the media marginalization! Shall we start marching on the media station??? I think maybe we should !!!!!!!!!

Posted By Lorinda Montrose,co : June 5, 2007 9:37 pm

Ron Paul won, he was the only one who spoke of ending the war

Posted By Jerry Dial, Townsend, Tennessee : June 5, 2007 9:37 pm

You wont post this. I would call it the Giuliani & McCain debate due to one fact only. They hogged the time and CNN was so willing to give it to them. CNN...fair your not. This did not go unnoticed!!! Ron Paul with the few moments given showed class & statesmanship and your slick con job on the American people is being revealed!!

Posted By Jamie, New York : June 5, 2007 9:38 pm

Ron Paul. All the others are sockpuppets.

Posted By ArchAngel : June 5, 2007 9:38 pm

I would have to say Ron Paul. I spent the last two hours focusing on what was said, and I've heard it all before. We need a decent change in America, one that's actually does something and truly represents our needs as a people, not faceless global corporations. All the other same old candidates are bought and paid for, so they lead you down the same old path. If you really want to make your vote count for once, as someone who believes in American values and in defence of our Great Nation, it would help if you would spend a few minutes and Google Ron Paul. Watch the videos and make up your own mind, consider what's best for you!

Posted By Patrick MacDonald Boston MA : June 5, 2007 9:38 pm

Who won? I'm still waiting for the other 7 candidates to express their views!! Blitzer, like a good little media droid steered everything to the "big three" and completely disenfranchised the other seven. I really don't have to listen to the debates to know who won my vote, because I know how he's voted since the day he was elected, Ron Paul. All anyone has to do is check a talk ticker and it will show that CNN will marginalize everyone they don't deem as relevant just like in the Dem's debate.

Posted By Terry Lund, Houston TEXAS : June 5, 2007 9:39 pm

Ron Paul's world policy is right on and got the most applause. Rudy Giuliani looked like the living dead. Tommy Thompson's health care was passionate. McCain looks like a little man in a big suit. Romney was the dapper dude.

Posted By Brian , La Crosse,Wi : June 5, 2007 9:41 pm

Weigh in by comment?! Ron Paul winning too many polls?

Posted By Aly - Grand Forks, North Dakota : June 5, 2007 9:44 pm

Why have so many comments disappeared? My friends are concerned that what they've said has shown up and apparently been deleted.

Anyway, even though he only got half as much time as Rudy, McCain, and Romney, Ron Paul clearly stood out from the rest of the pack.

Posted By Josh, Baltimore, Maryland : June 5, 2007 9:47 pm

none of the above

Posted By Mark, Baton Rouge , LA : June 5, 2007 9:48 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Colin Cagney, Seattle WA : June 5, 2007 9:49 pm

Ron Paul won my vote, my confidence, my trust and my admiration.

Posted By Netty, Wildwood, IL : June 5, 2007 9:50 pm

Ron Paul won, he was the only candidate that actually answered the questions asked of him.

Posted By Susan Keller, TX : June 5, 2007 9:50 pm

Ron Paul is the only one who answered a question straight, and he answered all of them that way. Ohh, and he is the only one who has a chance against the democrats.

Posted By Theo Roth, Birmingham AL : June 5, 2007 9:50 pm

With 70% of Americans opposing the war in Iraq, I think its clear that Ron Paul's message resonates with the most people. Besides, he is also a true conservative and has literally never voted for increasing taxes. For those reasons I think Ron Paul won the debate.

Posted By David Ferraro, Schenectady, New York : June 5, 2007 9:50 pm

Even though he was given less of a chance to speak, and seemingly always thrown under the bus by the mainstream media—Ron Paul answers clearly and honestly. He answered each question without changing the subject in a way we could all understand. I think he is the best choice all around!

Posted By Steve W : June 5, 2007 9:51 pm

It is not a case of WHO won this debate round. For if anyone of these guys is nominated and elected President in 2008, WE ALL LOSE!!!

Posted By Carl H. Washington, PA : June 5, 2007 9:51 pm

Giulliani was a fear monger. Rmoney was flip flop. McCain is the same old, same old. Ron Paul was the best.

Posted By george Providence RI : June 5, 2007 9:52 pm

Ron Paul, why in the world is he not getting any camera time? The rest stick to the GOP playbook. We need Dr. Paul to shake things up.

Posted By Allen Gray, Nashville, TN : June 5, 2007 9:52 pm

Posted By Allen Bircy, Nashville, TN : June 5, 2007 9:52 pm

Ron Paul is the only candidate that makes sense.

Posted By David, Rochester MI : June 5, 2007 9:53 pm

Dr. Ron Paul was applauded after each of his responses because he is the only one out there telling the truth.

Posted By Matt : June 5, 2007 9:53 pm

Rudy Giuliani, no question about it.

Posted By Chris (Albany, NY) : June 5, 2007 9:54 pm

Ron Paul had the most intelligent, down to Earth responses whereas frontrunner Rudy Gulliani continued to preach war and prey off America's fears. Ron Paul was the clear winner, yet again.

Posted By Jacob Bofferding, Minneapolis MN : June 5, 2007 9:54 pm

Ron Paul was the only true conservative up there tonight.

Yet he is given very little coverage by the media.

I will not vote for McCain or Gulliani. If i want socialism and liberalism, i will vote Democrat, which is the party where those 2 belong.

Posted By Karen, Peoria, IL : June 5, 2007 9:54 pm

Ron Paul.

Posted By Angela Thornton : June 5, 2007 9:56 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Glenn, Brick, NJ : June 5, 2007 9:57 pm

Ron Paul had more supporters and once again he stood firm on Constitutional principals. Still the media ignores him then blames his success in the polls on spammers. Wake Up mainstream media, you are really looking foolish.

Posted By Eric N, Moultonborough, Republic of NewHampshire : June 5, 2007 9:57 pm

Ron Paul. There is no other candidate to save this country. CNN and other mass mainstream media should acknowledge this very obvious fact and stop hiding it from the American people.

Posted By D P, Brooklyn, NY : June 5, 2007 9:57 pm

I saw a rather sterile and mundane debate with little substance on real issues. That said, Dr. Paul was the sole participant to say his views in short and concise answers based in rational and constitutional thought. Hands down, he wins

Posted By Don, Louisville KY : June 5, 2007 9:58 pm

Ron Paul was the best and the only one telling the truth! Please put a vote on your CNN page! How can you call me a spammer when I vote one time!?

Posted By Ian Noble, Rockville, MD : June 5, 2007 9:58 pm

Guiliani

Posted By Anonymous : June 5, 2007 9:58 pm

Ron Paul won with the limited time he was given.

Posted By Mark Toms River, NJ : June 5, 2007 9:58 pm

Ron Paul always wins, he's the only candidate that gets down to principle and talks about the underlying issues of our nation. All the others offer band-aid solutions to problems that need major surgery!

Posted By Victoria, corpus christi, texas : June 5, 2007 9:58 pm

After watching the debate, I'm going to donate to the campaign to elect Dr. RON PAUL.

I believe his reasoned responses won the debate.

Posted By Lee, San Diego, CA : June 5, 2007 9:59 pm

Ron Paul,

.... the only true candidate that speaks for the vast majority of America. He is not popular with media, RNC because he cannot be bought. He is a true American Patriot.

Posted By Mark Kooser, Colorado Springs : June 5, 2007 9:59 pm

Ron Paul is the only candidate that showed even a little bit of honesty. He is the only Republican candidate that demonstrated anything that appeared to be ethical.

Posted By Mary, Las Vegas Nevada : June 5, 2007 9:59 pm

Ron Paul, without a doubt - consistently answered the questions and showed how his views unite the country rather than divide.

Also, I'm laughin' at comments not loading then loading then not loading...

Posted By Greg Kefalas, Astoria NY : June 5, 2007 9:59 pm

To me Ron Paul again showed that he has the vision to lead America back to the path of liberty and justice. He speaks openly and honestly. Guiliani and McCain sounded like they were pandering to the uneducated voters.

Posted By Stephane, Duluth, MN : June 5, 2007 9:59 pm

I think Ron Paul was awesome considering the time given. Other than that McCain had a good showing. Guiliani and Romney were not in the mold of real conservatives.

Posted By Ned Houston, TX : June 5, 2007 10:00 pm

Dr. Paul is the Man!
Save the Constitution.

Posted By Kevin, Tampa Florida : June 5, 2007 10:00 pm

Ron Paul won the debate. There hasn't been a single mention of him yet in the post-debate show. If I hear Anderson Cooper and Larry King talking about the so-called "top-tier" candidates I am going to puke. Stop talking about Fred Thompson who wasn't even there and talk about the people who were there, not just the "top 3".

Posted By Anne, Ventura, CA : June 5, 2007 10:01 pm

Ron Paul received 5 minutes and 51 seconds in speaking time. His comments were economical, intelligent, sharp, coherent, no wasted time or moments to any of his answers on seven opportunities. His final remark and only opportunity in the final hour was his best moment, on pre-emptive nuclear war. Republicans, particularly Romney, Giuliani, McCain and others had advocated/refused to rule out a tactical nuclear weapons strike if Iran gets nuclear materials! Since such an event is an inevitability, that is a giant nation like Iran -which is certainly entitled like Pakistan, India, Israel to nuclear power- gets fissionable energy, these candidates are assuring nuclear war in our near future.

Only Ron Paul repudiated this. He final statement on turning away from 'just war' to 'pre-emptive war' is the great issue of the debate, and he, as Stephen Colbert would say, nailed it.

If Ron Paul were not at this debate, a terrible omission would have been made — no one else opposed the idea of nuclear war against Iran if they pursue nuclear power. Ron Paul reiterated that Iran is not a threat to the USA, and said pre-emptive war is madness and a violation of the American spirit, and Constitution.

Mitt Romney is a blue-blood blowhard that no ordinary working man or woman could relate to. Rudolph Giuliani is an authoritarian who will use his term in office to pursue a catastrophic failed foreign policy.

John McCain was like Caesar is the final remark of the evening, promising victory at any cost in Iraq, no matter how long it took. The man is sorely in need of his triumphant moment of military glory. When you factor in that all of them except Dr. Paul favored the war in Iraq, and are lukewarm about even ending it, and that all 9 favored or would not rule out pre-emptive use of nuclear weapons against Iran, which Dr. Paul rightly described as the moral dilemma of our time and supported what he called "The Just War of Christian ethics", which rules out any legitimacy to pre-emptive war.

Posted By Marc Scott Emery : June 5, 2007 10:02 pm

Ron Paul - Victorious! Clear. Consistent. Constitutional.

Posted By Timothy Moultrie, Lexington, South Carolina : June 5, 2007 10:02 pm

Mitt Romney won—he looks like a President and he acts like a President and he's got the solutions to the challenges this country faces—just ask Jim Cramer the Wall Street guru, he agrees!

Posted By Philip Fowler, Monrovia, IN : June 5, 2007 10:02 pm

Ron Paul was ultimately convincing on all topics and will be our hope for a new Renaissance in these united States!

Posted By Sandor Bors, Rochester, NY : June 5, 2007 10:05 pm

Ron Paul was the strongest candidate tonight. It is clear to see he is the OnLY honest candidate. His answers were straightforward and unrehearsed. The others are simply actors who create a show for the American public. I hope America doesn't fall for fancy wordplay and votes for the TRUE American candidate that follows our Constitution.

Posted By Priscilla Masur, Ridgefield Park New Jersey : June 5, 2007 10:05 pm

Dr. Paul was the only candidate who honestly answered every question.

Please, everyone who supports Dr. Paul should support his candidacy with their financial donations. This is the only way that he will convince the corrupt, cynical, jaded media that he is a viable candidate deserving of more coverage.

Posted By Richard B., Beverly Hills, CA : June 5, 2007 10:05 pm

Just like in the Democratic debate, there was nothing from the front-runners. How can anyone actually support these people?

Mitt Romney was awful. Did he actually say anything of substance? All I heard was a bunch "ain't America great?" platitudes along with some stuff about selling products. Loved how he used the abortion question to run through all of his conservative credentials like he thought the debate was over and he'd better say this list of things. Well played, sir.

Rudy Giuliani actually made a good start with the idea of the tax credit to go buy your own health insurance and then degenerated into the "socialized medicine" claptrap. And poor

John McCain. It's been 7 years since the Straight Talk Express and it looks like that's been parked in the roundhouse. Only place he looked like the old John McCain was on immigration.

Here's who stood out to me: Ron Paul. I already like this guy's willingness to break out of the bipartisan "indispensible nation" b.s. We've got a lot of problems here at home we need to be fixing before we start trying to run everybody else's affairs. Mike Huckabee also came off well (although, yes, the Taliban can take some of the credit for the collapse of the Soviet Union. Afghanistan did turn into the USSR's Vietnam after all). Duncan Hunter had a good point about state-to-state restrictions on health insurance, wish he'd gotten a chance to expound on what he'd do about that. And Sam Brownback, well, I deeply disagree with him on abortion and other morals issues, but I think he's got a point that faith and science don't have to be mutually exclusive.

If this thing ends up Rudy McRomney vs. Hilbama, I'll probably end up voting 3rd party again.

Posted By Andy, Billings, Montana : June 5, 2007 10:05 pm

Ron Paul, hands down! We're behind you, Ron!

Posted By Charles Santos, Houston, Texas : June 5, 2007 10:07 pm

These guys say that the preservation of life is the most important moral issue but then will consider a nuclear first strike that will kill countless innocents. An insane policy!

Thank God for Ron Paul for calling them out on it.

Posted By Fran Channel, Houston, TX : June 5, 2007 10:07 pm

I thought Romney was just Terrible. He spoke Over the host, many, many times. Thats just rude. Besides, Nothing he said made sense, so it only made me angry hearing him continue like that.

Mostly though, these people scare me. Premptive Nuclear War? God help us. I just started following the canidates a little bit, and this is what they are talking about?

The only person on that whole stage that made any sense at all was Ron Paul, I'd never even heard of him much before, but this guy speaks directly to the question. No puffing. I wish he would've gotten a little more time to talk on other issues.

Posted By Ben, Portland Oregon : June 5, 2007 10:10 pm

Ron Paul was clear and forthright. He is the one candidate that understands the Constitution. He is therefore, the only candidate suited for the White House.

Posted By Kirk Beck : June 5, 2007 10:11 pm

I hope the people in New Hampshire are reading this and took note of Dr. Paul tonigt. Because God knows if they are watching CNN right now they are going to vote for McCain, Mitt, or Rudy.

Posted By Allen Sircy, Nashville, TN : June 5, 2007 10:11 pm

As rare as it may be in politics these days, people recognize integrity, sound-reasoning, and statesmanship when they see it. Ron Paul radiates all three with every word that he utters and won the debate hands-down.

Posted By JJ La Medica : June 5, 2007 10:13 pm

I believe Ron Paul won, but I saw some strong showings from Romney, and Huckabee. I was disgusted by Giuliani, Brownback, and Tancredo.

Ron Paul made some of the best points. Romney was very presentable, and Huckabee's evolution speech was handled very well.

Posted By G. Alencar II, Ft. Lauderdale, FL : June 5, 2007 10:13 pm

Dr. Ron Paul is the only candidate who gave real conservative Republican answers to all of the questions. He is clearly the best suited to carry the Republican nomination for President of the United States.

Posted By Nick, Urbana IL : June 5, 2007 10:14 pm

Ron Paul won the debate. He was the only candidate that supported freedom, liberty, and small government. In addition, he is the only one who opposes the USA forcing it's will on other nations.

Posted By Robert Jones : June 5, 2007 10:19 pm

RON PAUL is the Winner!!!
As a champion for the Constitution...
He has never voted to raise taxes.
He has never voted for an unbalanced budget.
He has never voted for a federal restriction on gun ownership.
He has never voted to raise congressional pay.
He has never taken a government-paid junket.
He has never voted to increase the power of the executive branch.
He voted against the Patriot Act.
He voted against regulating the Internet.
He voted against the Iraq war.

Posted By Gabrielle, Orlando, Fla : June 5, 2007 10:25 pm

The Champion of the Constitution ... Ron Paul!

Posted By Al, Hagerstown, MD : June 5, 2007 10:26 pm

I am amused by the droves of Ron Paul fanatics who turn out on the web to vote for Ron.

Funny that of all the candidates, he has raised by far the least.

So maybe instead of voting for free on here, you can send him some money, eh?

Lol.

Posted By Bill Mitchell : June 5, 2007 10:31 pm

The bridge to nowhere, that is where the GOP is going; absolutely nowhere. Let's bury the nuclear waste in their GOP's backyards; take a vacation to Chernobyl. Bush's press office send him Dofar. Invoking or conjuring-up Abe Lincoln, who freed the slaves; not give big business opportunity a profit on \$1.00 per hour illegal. Devaluating the job for American citizens to earn a \$5.25 per hour pay. What bad drugs did Giuliani smoke emphasizing national security, when he was repeated told not to put the NYC office of security in the WTC, reflecting on 1993 attack. The GOP is sending a bad message to our enemies who want to do us harm. We're idiots!

Posted By F Douglas, Brooklyn, NY : June 5, 2007 10:31 pm

The bad thing is is that the average Joe doesn't watch debates they watch the recap on CNN or Fox news and form their opinions there. We are screwed because they ignore Ron Paul and only cover Rudy, Romney, and McCain.

Posted By Allen Sircy, Nashville, TN : June 5, 2007 10:31 pm

I concur with everyone else, it was only RON PAUL who spoke any sense on that stage, 90% of the rest was just pandering by celebrity candidates who don't care at all about us citizens and our rights.

Posted By Paul, Boone NC : June 5, 2007 10:31 pm

I am not a Fox fan, but I must say they did a better job than CNN. Too much Wolf talking and not enough balance between all the candidates. The post debate shows were even worse. Just Rudy and Mitt and McCain...how lame. Everyone is tied in delegates. SHOW EVERYBODY! No to empire...Yes to Liberty and Freedom...Go Ron Paul!

Posted By Paul Columbus, OH : June 5, 2007 10:31 pm

A no brainer RON Paul The only guy to get our butt out of Iraq the others just want to nuke Iran and start world war III So the neo-con can take over the world anyone one can see it My children can why can't CNN as another poster said maybe its time we start marching on the media cause THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL BE HEARD

Posted By Rich providence ri : June 5, 2007 10:32 pm

Ron Paul! CNN needed to ask him more questions. Ron Paul speaks for us!

Posted By Paul, Washington DC : June 5, 2007 10:32 pm

Looks like Ron Paul's PR staff was first to reply. No one even knows who he is and no one will. Get real.

Rudy rules. Rudy's real.

Posted By Dan, Coral Gables, FL : June 5, 2007 10:32 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Joe Safety, Tolland, CT : June 5, 2007 10:33 pm

Ron Paul

Ron Paul provided straight answers that were to the point, unlike most of the other candidates who used a lot of words and wasted a lot of time but didn't really say anything definitive.

Posted By Tim, Detroit Michigan : June 5, 2007 10:34 pm

Ron Paul told the truth with wisdom and respect and is not afraid to speak up. He's got my vote!

Posted By Paul Dorr, Iowa : June 5, 2007 10:35 pm

Ron Paul is the only candidate of either party who is looking out for the interests of the American people.

Posted By Bill, Tyler, Tx. : June 5, 2007 10:35 pm

Ron Paul dominated the debate.

Posted By Spyros, Annapolis MD : June 5, 2007 10:35 pm

I don't know if I can claim Ron Paul won tonight... seemed as if the both the questioners and Wolfe tried their best to keep him quiet.

It does not matter. Ron Paul is still the only candidate with a message that makes sense.

Posted By Heath Barrett, Ramrod Key Florida : June 5, 2007 10:36 pm

Thank you God for real people like Ron Paul. The other candidates are just how to say it... the others...

Posted By brown, san diego california : June 5, 2007 10:36 pm

Best night for Ron Paul yet! He won hands down, as shown by this blog and the applause during the debate.

Posted By Jaime : June 5, 2007 10:36 pm

Ron Paul, the only true conservative and real Republican out of them all.

Posted By Greg, Herrin, Illinois : June 5, 2007 10:36 pm

RON PAUL & RON PAUL

Posted By Tony, Bowling Green, Kentucky : June 5, 2007 10:36 pm

Ron Paul would get my vote today. He gave honest, straightforward answers. He'd get more of the moderate republican vote than I saw tonight.

Posted By Doug , Palmdale, CA : June 5, 2007 10:37 pm

So let me guess...you're for Ron Paul? The insane guy? With an apparent cult?

Posted By Hector Remarable : June 5, 2007 10:37 pm

Ron Paul is the ONLY Republican Candidate that can win the General Election. The American people have already demonstrated their disgust for the War in Iraq. Failure to realize this will cost the GOP the 2008 Election.

Posted By Peter, Hurricane, WV : June 5, 2007 10:37 pm

Ron Paul! CNN didn't give him many questions or airtime but Dr. Paul shines.

Posted By L. Quinn, Chicago, ILL : June 5, 2007 10:37 pm

Ron Paul won again, but the talking head political analyst types would never report that... or even refer to him as a "legitimate" candidate. The media is as out of touch and unacquainted with truth as most of the other candidates running.

Posted By cee cee, los angeles california : June 5, 2007 10:37 pm

Ron Paul Won! He is the only person in either party that truly speaks for the American people.

Posted By Radnar Dirtley : June 5, 2007 10:37 pm

Ron Paul is the clear winner of all three debates! Guilliani and McCain litterally made fools of themselves! They definately have the gift of gab and by not knowing when to shut up, disrespected the other candidates and robbed them of fair time. Ron Paul was definately the best spoken most honest and best dressed candidate tonight! He is America's hero!

Posted By Bonnie Perry, Weedville,PA : June 5, 2007 10:38 pm

Ron Paul = NOT AN AMERICAN...what kind of Republican does not at least show some respect for the troops serving our country and preserving our freedom.

Posted By Ben, Charlottesville, VA : June 5, 2007 10:38 pm

Ron Paul is the only one that will restore the Bill of Rights taken away from us by the Bush neocons. Mike Huckabee and Tom Tancredo also looked good. All the rest sounded like Washington insiders promising us more of the same.

Posted By Joel, Plano Texas : June 5, 2007 10:39 pm

Ron Paul without a doubt!!!!

Posted By Steve, Rancho Cucamonga, Ca. : June 5, 2007 10:39 pm

Ron Paul won overwhelmingly with the 5 minutes he was given to speak.

Posted By Phil M, Minneapolis, MN : June 5, 2007 10:39 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Simon, Noblesville Indiana : June 5, 2007 10:39 pm

The GOP cronies have been looking for their next Reagan Democrats... Have any of them bothered to speak to a Democrat about Ron Paul? He won tonight, just like he did last time and will in the future.

Posted By Jon, Houghton Michigan : June 5, 2007 10:39 pm

Ron Paul is the ONLY choice for those who support our constitution.

Posted By Jesse, Fort Lupton, CO : June 5, 2007 10:39 pm

Ron Paul. Going to donate money first thing tomorrow morning.

Posted By Jackie Inman, Frankfort, KY : June 5, 2007 10:40 pm

Ron Paul got in the best words with less than half the time of Rudy and Romney.

RON PAUL.

Posted By Doug, St. Aug, FL : June 5, 2007 10:40 pm

To Dan in Coral Gables:

When you say "Rudy rules", you mean "rules by fear", yes?

Posted By Andy, Billings, Montana : June 5, 2007 10:40 pm

"The last hope for america," Ron Paul, delivered a message of hope for this county once again. Even when he is given half the time of the other candidates to speak. Ron Paul for President!!

Posted By Ben Ellison, Golden Valley, MN : June 5, 2007 10:41 pm

Ron Paul clearly won the debate.

Posted By Aaron, Dayton, Ohio : June 5, 2007 10:41 pm

It is remarkable that the man who spoke the least is the only who makes sense—Ron Paul 2008.

Posted By Uri Brito Casselberry, FL : June 5, 2007 10:41 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Dianne Boyter, Matthews, North Carolina : June 5, 2007 10:41 pm

Ron Paul won.

Posted By Ana, Niceville FL : June 5, 2007 10:41 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Cody Bralts, Urbana IL : June 5, 2007 10:43 pm

Ron Paul, Patriot: Ethics, integrity, brains, heart...

Posted By Tarey, Billings, MT : June 5, 2007 10:43 pm

Dr. Ron Paul is the only conservative choice for the Republican Party.

Posted By Anonymous : June 5, 2007 10:43 pm

Ron Paul won, and we should organize a march to Atlanta to demand that they cover him more. They stacked the deck in Giuliani, Romney, McCain's favor and I'm sick of it

Posted By Bill Johnson, Rapid City, South Dakota : June 5, 2007 10:43 pm

Wake up...Rudy Giuliani clearly overtook the GOP debate, and will no doubt make nomination. His distinctive views allow him a separation from other GOP candidates. Watch the highlights, again.

Posted By Vincent Lustrinelli, Syracuse NY : June 5, 2007 10:44 pm

I believe the honorable Dr. Ron Paul outperformed all the other candidates. In the short time he was allotted, he answered each question to the point, citing appropriate historical references, and in general showed intellectual rigor and thought in his answers. no resorting to popular catch phrases.

This man is intelligent as anything.

Posted By Gunjan, Durham, NC : June 5, 2007 10:44 pm

Many of the candidates seemed somewhat flakey, and flip-flopped on issues they had said differently about before in their career.

I believe Ron Paul shined in this debate because he made it clear that our foreign policy is NOT working, so why stick with old tactics if they aren't working?

He stands for TRUE conservatism and he is the ONLY Republican that would be able to get Independent and Democratic votes. I vote Ron Paul.

Posted By Anonymous : June 5, 2007 10:44 pm

The American people have spoken. Congressman Ron Paul was straight forward and has a true vision for America.
www.RonPaul2008.com

Posted By Charlotte, NC : June 5, 2007 10:44 pm

I came into these 3 debates with an open mind...tho I was wary of the neo-con agenda. I don't want another GWB in office. I was even thinkin of supporting a democrat! :O

However all that changed when I saw Ron Paul in the 1st debate. How can someone with so much integrity and honor, not too mention intelligence, be such an unknown? I'd never heard of him!

Since the 1st debate I've watched all his speeches on Google Video/Youtube and his website (ronpaul2008 dot com) and theres NO WAY I'll support any1 else .

RON PAUL FOR PRESIDENT!

Posted By MW manchester NH : June 5, 2007 10:45 pm

Ron Paul and it isn't even close.

Posted By Keith Colville Valley City North Dakota : June 5, 2007 10:45 pm

Ron Paul

Posted By Joseph, Cincinnati, OH : June 5, 2007 10:45 pm

RON PAUL!!!! CNN is biased for McCain, Giuliani, and McRomney and it showed that they wanted to spotlight their "three headed monster". WHAT A SELLOUT. RON PAUL was among the other few outsiders that were not allowed most of the questions like Rudy McRomney. However, Dr. Paul's answers were clear, truthful, powerful and convincing. Those so called top three are the three stooges that are clearly independent of our nation's opinions on key agendas. GO RON PAUL.

CNN IS NOT FAIR AND BALANCED WHATSOEVER!!!!

Ron Paul is the outstanding candidate in every issue because he holds TRUE to the principles of the Constitution, which is America's foundation for government.

May God help our country...you can help by learning more about Dr. Paul and electing him for 2008!!!!

Posted By Richy T. Eau Claire, MI : June 5, 2007 10:45 pm

Ron Paul won, and he's doing a better job of communicating than he did in the last two debates (which he also won). If the media would just stop blackballing him, he might start making some progress.

Posted By Ron, Fountain Hills, AZ : June 5, 2007 10:48 pm

Ron Paul of course.

Posted By David Watson, Topeka KS : June 5, 2007 10:49 pm

Without a doubt, Ron Paul!!

Posted By J. Scott, Cincinnati OH : June 5, 2007 10:49 pm

THIS IS ABSURD, CALCULATED BULLCRAP! Ron Paul really was NOT that great!

Posted By Todd, Dallas TX : June 5, 2007 10:49 pm

Ron Paul is the winner and best from both parties

Posted By Roger Hurst TX : June 5, 2007 10:49 pm

Ron Paul is the only one worth voting for, and he made that clear tonight.

Posted By Don, Phoenix AZ : June 5, 2007 10:50 pm

Ron Paul ! The rest are liars and puppets. They all have the same solution to all our problems .. I'll have the government do this to save you or I'll use the government to do that. Only Ron Paul believes in the people and their god given liberty. Let's take it back!

Posted By indio north adams ma : June 5, 2007 10:50 pm

Dr Ron Paul

Posted By Don Formanek, Moorhead, Mn. : June 5, 2007 10:50 pm

Ron Paul is the best

Ron Paul, no exceptions.

Posted By Carlos Rodriguez from Miami, Florida : June 5, 2007 10:50 pm

Ron Paul win and will win the election in '08

Posted By Mark, Atlanta, Georgia : June 5, 2007 10:50 pm

Apparently God won the debate since nearly all the candidates attributed everything great in American to God and everything bad in America to illegal immigrants. Kudos to God. Good job.

I am an absolutely firm believer in a secular society. In this regard, I was very happy with Ron Paul for not catering to the Christian fundamentalists by stating that the most pressing moral issue of our time was our emerging preemptive war doctrine.

Posted By Chris, Seattle, WA : June 5, 2007 10:56 pm

JOhn Mccain... he is not afraid to make tough decisions and he can keep America safe.

Posted By Annie, Wilkes-barre, PA : June 5, 2007 10:58 pm

I thought Guilliani and Romney shined, again, and Mike Huckabee continues to draw me in. McCain "sounded" good, but I don't trust him at all.

I am very suspicious of the the Ron Paul lovers on this blog.

Posted By Frank, Milwaukee, WI : June 5, 2007 10:59 pm

Fred Thiompson, and he wasn't even there.

Posted By Texrat, Fort Worth, TX : June 5, 2007 10:59 pm

Mccain won easily with his touching moment with the sister of the fallen serviceman. This ron paul nonsense is insane to me. The man is a raving, isolationist lunatic. He's a joke and I can't figure out if all this "web support" is just feeding into the joke or actual other lunatics that believe in this nonsense. Isolationist policies have never worked and his views are so extreme that I would literally fear for america if he ever got any traction in the election.

Posted By Ryan, Portland OR : June 5, 2007 10:59 pm

We don't need another Thompson in the race. Gov. Thompson is conservative enough and presented very well. Gingrich need not enter either. Duncon Hunter was strong as well. Principled and to the point. The current leaders, Guilliani, Romney, and McCain to a lessor extent are posers!

Posted By Robert Nampa ID : June 5, 2007 11:19 pm

All these Ron Paul posts are irritating and hinder debate.

Posted By jared,bend,wa : June 5, 2007 11:19 pm


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