

THE SEPARATION of CHURCH and STATE

A Complete Fallacy and a Sham

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The A.C.L.U. and the Liberal Establishment, with the help of the courts and law schools of this country, have re-written the Constitution without ever holding a Constitutional Convention.

The ONLY way to interpret the Constitution, is to do as Thomas Jefferson (the Liberals' Standard-bearer) said to do. It must be done with an eye towards the "ORIGINAL INTENT". You must look at the Constitution the same way that the Christian looks at the Bible if you are sincere about finding the truth concerning the founding fathers "intent" as it pertained to the separation of church and state.

When one reads the Bible, he must seek to understand the time period that a given Law is issued to the people and then he must seek to understand whether that Law would apply to all generations or just the people that it was given to. He must also seek to understand the customs and beliefs of the people at the time the Laws were given, so as to be able to understand the impact that the Lawgiver desired. The same holds true for the Constitution. WE MUST LOOK AT THE FOUNDING FATHERS WORDS TO UNDERSTAND "WHAT THE CONSTITUTION WAS MEANT TO CONVEY." If the A.C.L.U. and the law schools, courts and Liberal Establishment don't like what the "intent" was, then let them do as anyone with an ounce of honesty and integrity would do. Call for a Constitutional Convention and get the people to authorize the changes they want, provided that those changes don't infringe on our "Unalienable Rights".

CONSIDER THESE PROOFS:

FICTION: Based on the wording of the First Amendment to the Bill of Rights, Liberals would have us to believe that the founding fathers were adamant that God and Religion be kept out of our public school systems.

FACT: Congressman Fisher Ames from Massachusetts, on August 20, 1789 suggested the wording of the First Amendment, which was adopted by the house. "Congress shall make no law establishing religion, or to prevent the free exercise thereof, or to infringe the rights of conscience".

FACT: Fisher Ames, said Congressman above, in his own words on the subject of God and Religion in our public school systems; "Should not the Bible regain the place it once held as a schoolbook? It's morals are pure, it's examples are captivating and noble...The reverence for the sacred book that is thus early impressed lasts long; and, probably, if not impressed in infancy, never takes firm hold of the mind...In no book is there so good English, so pure and so elegant, and by teaching all the same they will speak alike, and the Bible will justly remain the standard of language as well of the faith".

Note: Here, in the words of the very man who chose the explicit wording to the "establishment clause", any reasonably sensible person can see that he had no intention what ever of keeping religion out of the public [government] schools.

FACT: The United States Supreme Court in 1844 on case #43 U.S. 126, 132. Justice Joseph Story delivered the court's opinion regarding a request that the estate of a deceased deist,

who wanted to establish an orphanage and school with the stipulation that no religious influence be allowed. The city of Philadelphia rejected the proposal, as their lawyers declared: "The plan of education proposed is anti-Christian, and therefore repugnant to the law...The purest principles of morality are to be taught. Where are they to be found? Whoever searches for them must go to the source from which a Christian man derives his faith-the Bible...There is an obligation to teach what the Bible alone can teach, viz. a pure system of morality... No fault can be found with Girard for wishing a marble college to bear his name for ever, but it is not valuable unless it has a fragrance of Christianity about it."

THE COURT RULED: "Christianity...is not to be maliciously and openly reviled and blasphemed against, to the annoyance of believers or the injury of the public..It is unnecessary for us, however, to consider the establishment of a school or college, for the propagation of...Deism, or any other form of infidelity. Such a case is not to be presumed to exist in a Christian country...Why may not laymen instruct in the general principles of Christianity as well as ecclesiastics...And we cannot overlook the blessings, which such [lay]men by their conduct, as well as their instructions, may, nay must impart to their youthful pupils. Why may not the Bible, and especially the New Testament, without note or comment, be read and taught as a divine revelation in the [school]-its general precepts expounded, its evidences explained and its glorious principles of morality inculcated?..Where can the purest principles of morality be learned so clearly or so perfectly as from the New Testament? It is also said, and truly, that the Christian religion is a part of the common law of Pennsylvania...

FACT: United States Supreme Court 1952, in the case of *Zorach v. Clauson*, 343 US 306 307 313, Justice William O. Douglas delivered the court's decision, stating: The First Amendment, however, does not say that in every respect there shall be a separation of Church and State. Rather, it studiously defines the manner, the specific ways, in which there shall be no concert or union or dependency one on the other....We find no constitutional requirement makes it necessary for government to be hostile and throw its weight against the efforts to widen the scope of religious influence.... We cannot read into the Bill of Rights such a philosophy of hostility to religion.

Note: even as late as 1952 the Supreme Court recognized that the Founding Fathers meant that they did not want a "church led state", not that they wanted to expel religion from government.

Note: We see that as early as 1952, the Liberal Establishment has already reached the Supreme Court with their assault on the Establishment Clause.

FACT: United States Supreme Court 1963, case #374 U.S. 203,212,225 records Associate Justice Tom Clark : "Secularism is unconstitutional...preferring those who do not believe over those who do believe...It is the duty of the Government to deter no-belief religions...The State may not establish a "religion of secularism" in the sense of affirmatively opposing or showing hostility to religion, thus preferring those who believe in no religion over those who do believe..."

Note: As early as 1963, the Supreme Court recognized the movement in this country, led by the A.C.L.U., to try to eradicate religion in favor of the infidels who would try to make this a Godless society (which they unfortunately have succeeded fairly well at this point in time).

FACT: United States Supreme Court 1973, case #475 F.2nd. 29, 33, 34, [concerning the Ten Commandments] stated: But this creed does not include any element of coercion concerning these beliefs unless one considers it coercive to look upon the Ten Commandments. Although they are in plain view, no one is required to read or recite them. It does not seem

reasonable to require removal of a passive monument, involving no compulsion, because its accepted precepts as a foundation for law, reflect the religious nature of an ancient era.

Note: As late as 1973, this country still acknowledges that our laws and our justice system are based on the Biblical Laws and systems.

FACT: The United States Supreme Court's decision in 1985 on case #472U.S.,38,99, as rendered by Associate Justice William Rehnquist reads: "It is impossible to build sound constitutional doctrine upon a mistaken understanding of Constitutional history...The establishment clause had been expressly freighted with Jefferson's misleading metaphor for nearly forty years... There is simply no historical foundation for the proposition that the framers intended to build a wall of separation[between church and state]... The recent court decisions are in no way based on either the language or intent of the framers".

Note: Here, is a true and accurate description of the distortions that the courts have unethically and erringly allowed the A.C.L.U. to present as facts when they are indeed, known falsehoods.

FACT: Congress of the United States of America January 19, 1853 as part of a Congressional investigation, records the report of Mr. Badger of the Senate Judiciary Committee: The [First Amendment] clause speaks of "an establishment of religion." What is meant by that expression? It referred, without doubt, to that establishment which existed in the mother-country...endowment at the public expense, peculiar privileges to its members, or disadvantages or penalties upon those who should reject its doctrines or belong to other communions-- such a law would be a "law respecting an establishment of religion..." They intended, by this amendment, to prohibit "an establishment of religion" such as the English Church presented, or anything like it. But they had no fear or jealousy of religion itself, nor did they wish to see an irreligious people...Sunday, the Christian Sabbath, recognized and respected by all the departments of the Government...Here is recognition by law, and by universal usage, not only of a Sabbath, but of the Christian Sabbath, in exclusion of the Jewish or Mohammedan Sabbath...the recognition of the Christian Sabbath [by the Constitution] is complete and perfect. We are a Christian people...not because the law demands it, not to gain exclusive benefits or to avoid legal disabilities, but from choice and education; and in a land thus universally Christian, what is to be expected, what desired, but that we shall pay due regard to Christianity.

Note: Here, is indisputable proof of the Founding Fathers "intent" that this should be a Christian Nation, but not a nation ruled by the Church. There should be no doubt in any reasonable minds what the Founding Fathers and the Congress of this young nation intended by the "establishment clause", and it bears no resemblance to the views forced upon society today at the hands of the A.C.L.U. and the Liberal establishment. How much clearer could something be???? Can you still deny the truth?????It doesn't matter whether it is desirable to the masses today!!! It simply is the truth about our heritage and our Constitution!!!!

FACT: Virtually everyone of the 55 writers and signers of the United States Constitution of 1787, were members of Christian denominations: 29 were Anglicans, 16 to 18 Calvinists, 2 were Methodists, 2 were Lutherans, 2 were Roman Catholics, 1 lapsed Quaker and sometimes Anglican, and 1 open Deist- Dr. Franklin who attended every kind of Christian worship, called for public prayer, and contributed to all denominations.

FACT: On July 4th, 1821, John Quincy Adams declared: "The highest glory of the American Revolution was this; it connected in one indissoluble bond the principles of civil government with the principles of Christianity. From the day of the Declaration...they (the American

people) were bound by the laws of God, which they all, and by the laws of the Gospel, which they nearly all, acknowledge as the rules of their conduct."

Note: Again, the words of our founding fathers clearly show the falsehood presented today at the hand of the A.C.L.U. and the Liberal Establishment.

FACT: Continental Congress September 10, 1782, in response to the need for Bibles which again arose, granted approval to print "a neat edition of the Holy Scriptures for the use of schools."

Note: the following Endorsement of Congress was printed on its front page; "Whereupon resolved, that the United States in Congress assembled... recommend this edition of the Bible to the inhabitants of the United States..."

FACT: On January 1, 1802, Thomas Jefferson wrote a letter to the Danbury Baptist Association of Danbury Connecticut, calming their fears that Congress was not in the Process of choosing any one single Christian denomination in order to make it the "state" denomination, as was the case with the Anglican Church in England and Virginia.

Note: This is the letter that the "misleading metaphor" was taken from, and has been intentionally misleading the American people for 50 years now at the behest of the A.C.L.U. and the Liberal Establishment.

Note: Thomas Jefferson did not sign the Constitution, nor was he present at the Constitutional Convention of 1787. Neither was he present when the First Amendment and religious freedom were debated in the first session of Congress in 1789(so in his own words we would have to look to those who were there and examine their positions), as he was out of the country in France as a U.S. Minister.

FACT: Due to my limited typing skills, this collection of evidence will have to suffice. To any sane and reasonable reader there is more than enough evidence to convict the Liberal Establishment of perpetrating fraud on the American people. There is much more evidence available if one is inclined to more research.

Note: The Liberal Establishment always tries to blame the moral decay of this nation on the "rich" conservatives.[they do have enough faults but that is not one of them]. The truth is, that it was the war on Christianity led by the A.C.L.U. and it's Liberal followers that caused this nation to put Secular Humanism at the helm of the country instead of Jesus Christ, as was required in God's Covenant with our nation. All of the social programs in the world will not set this nation back on the path of righteousness.

CONCLUSION: Here, we have, from the lips of the founding father who authored this said First Amendment, evidence in support of my position [that the Liberal establishment has perverted the meaning and intent of our Founding Fathers as it pertains to the "Establishment Clause"], along with many others from the lips of those who were partakers in the creation of this great country. Knowing that the Liberal Establishment hold themselves as experts in such matters, we must conclude that they have also availed themselves of this evidence. As stated before, they are willing to push the truth into the dark hallways of the past, and forge ahead with the rewriting of history to justify their (revised) positions.

No matter how offensive Jesus Christ and His church are to these multi-culturalists and no matter how rabidly angry they are about our early history and heritage, they can't simply change history because they don't like it the way it was. They cannot continue to be dishonest with their trickery and deceit about our Constitution and Bill of Rights. Let them for

once be upright and honest and seek to get the American people to denounce these beliefs. Until such time we will hold these proofs as sufficient to show that Liberalism has rewritten history in order to advance the form of Government that "they" envision, not the one "that the Founding Fathers envisioned."

To those who doubt or question whether the courts and law schools have acted in concert with the Liberal Establishment in circumventing the Establishment Clause as it was intended, please investigate the following information. According to Mr. Howard Simon, Michigan Director of the A.C.L.U., "The Treatise on Constitutional Law" by Ronald D. Rotunda and John E. Nowak, published by the West Publishing Co., St. Paul, Minnesota, is the basic constitutional law textbook that is used by virtually every law school in this country. In Section 21.3, the introduction to the Establishment Clause, one only has to read three lines deep to see the evidence of my claims that the Founding Fathers vision is the exact opposite of the view held today. The third line reads: "While at it's inception the clause might not have been intended to prohibit governmental aid to all religions, the accepted view today is that it also prohibits a preference for religion over non-religion." This sentence explains exactly what has transpired without the people being aware. It states emphatically that "at it's inception, the Establishment Clause fully endorsed aiding at least one religion".

Anyone that is intellectually honest has to admit that the Christian Religion is the only religion that the framers of the Constitution intended to aid. Not only did they change the "intent to aid", they purposely went farther in their assault on the establishment clause and reversed the "intent" to prefer the Christian Religion over other religions. The written record of the Founding Fathers words is replete with evidence that they "intended" to aid AND prefer the Christian Religion over all others, yet still "intended" that those other religions be free from governmental interference, to practice their belief's as their conscience dictated. There should be no doubt in any reasonable mind that the Establishment Clause has been circumvented, and it was circumvented un-Constitutionally because it has all been done subversively without the authority of a Constitutional Convention, to advance the cause of secular humanism at the expense of all American's Rights.

I truly believe that the A.C.L.U. has done such an outstanding job of promoting this falsehood, that even if the American people were shown the truth, they would choose to accept their interpretation for it leaves them free from answering to God. This is why I believe, as I said before, that the A.C.L.U. has to accept much of the responsibility for the moral collapse of this nation. They are responsible for creating a climate of hatred towards religion, and for that they will have to answer to that God that they have persecuted.

If anyone can show me, with our Founding Fathers words, where I am wrong, I would truly like to know. For I do not want to lead anyone astray as to the truth. My faith doesn't hinge on what anyone else believes, but on what I believe. So please show me, with the words of our founding fathers, where I err.

Note: The serious student of the Constitution will find that the A.C.L.U. and the Liberal Establishment (it does exist) have perverted the Constitution in the following manner:

1st Amendment: Broadened Freedom of Speech to include "expression" (which is an open door to virtually anything some Jurist embraces), completely reversed the original meaning of respecting the Establishment of Religion, as well as much of the rest of it.

2nd Amendment: Right to bear arms has been restricted over and over, and is headed towards a total ban, a complete reversal of "original intent".

5th Amendment: Miranda ruling expanded self incrimination to protection of the guilty, and due process and private property clauses are violated by the "rico" act.

8th Amendment: cruel and unusual punishment expanded to void anything more than a handslap outside of death penalty and that has been virtually unused when compared to the number of crimes committed that call for it.

9th Amendment: According to Judge Robert Bork, it's an ink blot.

10th Amendment: Virtually ignored and trampled on by the entire Legislative Branch of our government. All dept.'s not specifically designated should be disbanded and returned to the people or the states.

14th Amendment: Expanded Right to Life, Liberty and Property to include "privacy" which in turn was expanded to include abortion. A complete travesty against "original intent".

One could expand greatly on the assault on the Constitution if so desired, but the greatest assault, in my mind, is the assault on the Establishment clause. For, if we recall the words of our 2nd. President, John Adams we see why, or I should say, HOW, all of the other assaults came about. President John Adams stated on Oct.11, 1798: " Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

We are no longer a "religious people". We have a "form of Godliness", but by our "fruits" we have shown that our form of religion is only a shadow of that which was given unto Moses. No true Christian, whose only desire is to live in a world (Heaven) governed ONLY BY JESUS CHRIST, could turn around and say that Jesus has no place in THIS world's government. That is the ONLY way to turn this country around, yet, I'm afraid that most so called Christians do not have the courage nor the desire to stand up and declare such a truth. It's to them and those who don't seem to know how to turn things around that I offer the following:

"AMERICA , AMERICA, GOD SHED HIS GRACE ON THEE"

Not many years ago the sound of those words would cause most Americans to feel a sense of pride that is all but forgotten today . The sound of those words would make your bosom swell with pride and bring tears to your eyes, as a chill would run up and down your spine. Not that long ago, people all over the world proclaimed this country "the land of liberty and the home of the free". We were an ensign to the world that God was the head of this nation. We were a moral and a righteous people, as well as a deeply religious nation. We were the richest nation of the world and our dollar was held up as the standard by which all moneys were to be compared. We had pride in this nation, and our homes and our schools were safe. Our children were taught moral values in school and they started each schoolday with a prayer. It wasn't that long ago that we trusted our policemen and our preachers and our government. We were the technological giant of the world. We were making leaps and bounds toward making this world a better place to live in.

Then it all came apart.

Today we are a nation without a soul. Crime and murder are a part of everyday life and we are afraid for our children to even walk to the corner anymore. The experts in academia and government are at a loss to explain this sudden collapse of such a great nation, and are incapable of curing what ails our people. They can't see what Alexis de Tocqueville, a famous French statesman, historian and social philosopher saw. In the 1830's after touring the United States of America, to observe their people and their institutions, he stated : " I sought for the

key to the greatness and genius of America, in her harbors...; in her fertile fields and boundless forests; in her rich mines and vast world commerce; in her public school system and institutions of learning. I sought for it in her democratic Congress and in her matchless Constitution. Not until I went into the churches of America and heard her pulpits flame with righteousness did I understand the secret of her genius and power. America is great because America is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great!!!!!"

They can't see what he and every true Christian knows is the reason for this sorry state of affairs. Satan has deceived the leaders of academia and government and caused them to remove Jesus Christ from His rightful place at the helm of this nation. "We" are the answer to this problem. We have to stop being the "barnyard ducks" and start being the laborers that Christ expects us to be. We need to study our history and understand just how far they have taken us from the truth concerning America and it's Christian heritage. We need to be able to defend the truth. That Christopher Columbus didn't discover America by accident, but, as he states in his daily journal written during his voyage, that "God put it in my mind" that there was another land across the sea. We need to teach our children about their true heritage and demand that academia and government teach these truths and reinstate Jesus Christ at the helm of this nation that was given to the Gentiles for their inheritance. God gave us this "land of bountiful" with all of it's riches and beauty that it would be the "New Jerusalem", not the New Sodom and Gomorra!!! That it would be an ensign unto the world. That the world would see how God's people would prosper when they obey His Word. Let us leave the "barnyard muck" and soar up into the heavens and fly with the eagles. Let us reclaim this great nation, so that once again whenever anyone hears the phrase "America, America , God shed His Grace on Thee", every heart in the land will swell with pride and joy that it once again is the "Home of the Free and the Land of the Brave"!!!!!!!!!!!!!!