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**ROBERTSON BLASTED FOR REMARKS ON MUSLIM JUDGES – AND THE FIRST CHURCH IN SAUDI ARABIA WILL OPEN WHEN?**

In an interview on ABC's "This Week with George Stephanopoulos", Pat Robertson, founder of CBN, said that if he was elected President, he would not appoint a Muslim to his cabinet, and that he didn't favor Muslims as judges. (Robertson: "They have said in the Koran there's a war against all infidels. Do you want someone like that sitting as a judge? I wouldn't.")

This evoked the predictable howls from U.S. Muslim organizations. "This type of hate-filled rhetoric deserves repudiation from all who respect America's long-standing tradition of pluralism," sputtered Rabiah Ahmend of the Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR).

True, America does have a long-standing tradition of religious tolerance. But what happens when American pluralism meets an ideology that tolerates nothing else?

If America is to survive and prosper and experience the revival many of us pray for, more Christians -- and especially Pastors -- are going to have to speak truth, in love, on matters such as these. I salute Pat Robertson for the courage he has demonstrated on this issue which some find so politically incorrect.

**CONFERENCE EXCORIATES THE "REAL AGENDA" OF CHRISTIAN**

## **CONSERVATIVES**

Another secularist assault on Christians in America took place in New York City last weekend. Called “Examining The Real Agenda of the Religious Far Right,” it combined ignorance, paranoia and hysteria.

If the implications weren’t so serious, the conference would be laughable. Unfortunately, the organizations behind the conference are laying the foundation for open persecution for those of us who hold Biblical values and are willing to express them in the political arena.

The thesis of this conference (sponsored by People for the American Way -- which featured yours truly on the front page of its website last week -- and the City University of New York) is that folks like you and me are plotting to take over America! Furthermore, that we intend to establish a theocracy and impose Biblical law on the nation.

I have to admit that they are right, in that many of us want to influence public policy. But our Constitution was designed to prevent the theocracy which they accuse us of wanting to impose. Our Founders wisely balanced the opportunity for people of faith to be free to participate politically, while building a firewall to protect America from repeating the errors of Europe, by preventing the establishment of a state church.

Of course, we want to influence the political process. (This is our right as Americans.) We seek to return to the Godly vision of the Founding Fathers. Were George Washington and John Adams – who proudly proclaimed that America was based on a Biblical worldview – theocrats? What the left fears is the loss of control which it exercised for the past 50 years, leading America down a road to complete secularism and growing paganism.

Events like the New York conference are meant to vilify and ultimately intimidate Christians – to silence our swelling voices. We must not be bullied! Ours (not theirs) is the real American way.

## **CHURCHGOERS RED AT THE BALLOT BOX**

A newly released study by the Pew Center (“Religion & Public Life: A Faith-Based Divide”) shows that, more and more, churchgoing America is voting its faith.

Catholics who attend mass weekly and evangelicals who go to Wednesday-night services, supported President Bush over Senator Kerry by 64% to 39%. Those who worship weekly chose Bush over Kerry by 58% to 41%. The Democratic standard-bearer was the clear favorite among those who never go to church; 62 percent of them supported him. Those who attend services monthly split their vote evenly.

This so-called “God Gap,” is a relatively recent phenomenon. Prior to the 1970s, Catholics and Southern Baptists were more likely to be found in the Democratic Party – their traditional home.

It wasn't until McGovern liberals took over the party and declared war on our values – by supporting abortion and “gay rights,” and making common cause with Hollywood smut peddlers -- that Christians began the great migration away from what's become the party of Hillary and Howard.

Democrats keep asking themselves how they can win back people of faith. That they can ask this while devoting themselves to attacking Ten Commandments monuments and pushing homosexual marriage proves they don't get it.

### **PARENTS SEEK TO BLOCK HOMOSEXUAL BRAINWASHING**

With the help of Liberty Counsel, a group of Montgomery County, Maryland parents is suing to keep the school board from implementing a sex education curriculum which promotes homosexuality.

An example of some of the instruction: “Many religious denominations do not believe loving people of the same sex is immoral.” Isn't it amazing that “religion” -- as long as it's a religion that has abandoned the clear teachings of God's Word -- is endorsed in the public schools. In this case, “religion” is cited to validate the homosexual agenda.

The Board rejected an appeal to include information on the rate of sexually transmitted diseases among homosexuals, compiled by the Centers for Disease Control, an arm of the United States government.

This is not education (the objective pursuit of knowledge). It is indoctrination. One of the principal goals of the radical homosexual movement is to brainwash our children and grandchildren – to turn them away from God's truth and into beings who view sex as a purely physical act, devoid of any higher meaning.

We must resist this body and soul. Congratulations to Citizens for a Responsible Curriculum and Parents and Friends of Ex-Gays and Gays – the Montgomery County groups fighting this abomination. And congratulations to Liberty Counsel for providing legal support.

### **ACTION TODAY**

#### **National Day of Prayer**

Today is National Day of Prayer. Tens of thousands of prayer events – including rallies, services and vigils – will be going on around the nation.

The president and governors of all 50 states have issued proclamations designating May 5th. a day of prayer. This year's theme -- "God Shed His Grace on Thee" (from "America The Beautiful") -- couldn't be more appropriate. America will only endure by the grace of God. We grew to greatness as one nation under God, and can only survive by acknowledging our dependence on Him.

For information on prayer events in your area, go to the official website of National Day of Prayer – <http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org> .

### **Support The Constitutional Option**

My sources tell me the Senate will vote on the Constitutional Option before Memorial Day. If it succeeds, this will end the permanent filibuster of President Bush's conservative judicial nominees. By means of the permanent filibuster, Democrats in effect have created a minority veto of Bush judges – in complete disregard of the Senate's mandate to advise and consent (not to obstruct).

Groups like MoveOn.org are spending millions to mobilize their forces and misrepresent the move as an attack on democracy. How on earth can allowing an up-or-down vote on the judicial nominees of a democratically elected president be an attack on democracy? (Please note: When liberal senators and activists say that all but 10 of the President's nominees have been confirmed, they fail to mention that all 10 of those who have been filibustered were nominated to the U.S. Appeals Court, from which the next Supreme Court justice will likely come. They have been willing to give the President crumbs but are deliberately denying him his right as President to name judges who share his conservative philosophy.)

Please call your Senators through the Capitol switchboard – (202) 224-3121 – right now and urge them to vote to end the filibuster. In the alternative, you can e-mail your Senators directly by going to the Focus On The Family Citizen Link website – <http://www.family.org/cforum> – and following the simple instructions. But, whatever you do, please do it today!

### **Leaders Sign DeLay Declaration**

Some of the foremost leaders for moral renewal have signed our Declaration In Support of Tom DeLay. They include key figures such as James Dobson, Jerry Falwell, John Hagee, Don Hodel, Alan Keyes, Joyce Meyer, Tony Perkins, Roy Moore, Pat Robertson, James Robison and Don Wildmon.

I will present a framed copy of the Declaration to Congressman DeLay at a testimonial dinner in his honor on May 12th. If you'd like to sign an on-line version of the Declaration, please go to <http://www.stopactivistjudges.org>

## Calling California Activists

If you're a resident of the Golden States, the California pro-family movement needs your help. There's legislation pending in the state legislature to amend the California Constitution to solidify Prop 22 – defining marriage as the union of a man and a woman – which was passed overwhelmingly by referendum in 2000.

Despite the manifest will of the voters, state judges have been trying to legislate gay marriage from the bench. Recently, a bill passed the Judiciary Committee of the State Assembly to do what no legislature in this country has ever done – legalize gay marriage.

If you live in California, you must act now. For more information, contact Capitol Resource Institute in Sacramento at (916) 498-1940 or e-mail

<http://www.capitolresource.org>

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Help us fight the Judicial War on Faith - Get involved by following the action items above and by forwarding this alert to your friends and family. **Your financial involvement is always needed.** [Click here to donate.](#) Dr. Rick Scarborough is president of Vision America and acting chairman of the Judeo-Christian Council for Constitutional Restoration.