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## DR. DOBSON UNDER FIRE FOR TELLING THE TRUTH

My old friend Jim Dobson is once again under fire - for telling the truth.

Because of his syndicated radio show (carried by over 1,000 stations in the U.S. and Canada) and his effectiveness as a pro-family advocate, Dr. Dobson is frequently a target of the left.

In one of his broadcasts earlier this month, the Dr. (as he's affectionately known) compared embryonic stem-cell research to the horrible Nazi medical experiments performed in death camps during World War II.

The liberal Anti-Defamation League demanded an apology. ADL National Director Abraham Foxman claims there is "no legitimate comparison between

stem-cell research, which seeks to find a cure for disease and to counter suffering, and the perversion of science and morality represented by the actions of Nazi doctors who deliberately tortured their victims in medical 'experiments'." Foxman is outraged by the comparison because he approves of embryonic stem-cell research (note his choice of words - "seeks to find a cure for disease and counter suffering").

Apparently, liberals are to be allowed to apply the label "Nazi" freely to their opponents. But when conservatives compare the great murderers of the 20th century to the abortion holocaust or the deliberate destruction of life in experiments on human embryos, the left says this is a sign of our utter lack of decency.

In fact, Dr. Dobson's analogy is entirely appropriate. Like proponents of stem-cell research, the Nazis decided they could sacrifice a class of individuals for what they deemed to be the greater good. It was a utilitarian ethic completely divorced from Judeo-Christian morality - which values innocent human life and will not countenance its wanton destruction.

Like Dietrich Bonhoeffer, the Christian theologian who was murdered by the Nazis for courageously opposing their slaughter of the innocent, Dr. Dobson is willing to stand against the tide of convenience in the name of truth.

## **RESERVATIONS ON ROBERTS NOMINATION**

The National Abortions Rights Action League announced yesterday that (under intense pressure) it would withdraw an ad which accused John Roberts of supporting the bombers of abortion clinics.

The ugly allegation was totally false. In reality, as a deputy solicitor general, the president's first Supreme Court nominee filed a friend-of-court brief arguing that a 19th century law enacted to protect blacks from the Klan should not be applied to pro-life demonstrators who were merely standing outside abortion clinics. Roberts specifically recommended against a presidential pardon for clinic bombers, stating "those who resort to violence" to achieve ends however

laudable "are criminals." Even Arlen Specter, the pro-abortion Republican senator, wrote to NARAL demanding that the ads be withdrawn.

But being viciously attacked by the left doesn't necessarily make a nominee a friend of the Constitution. (Liberals opposed both the Kennedy and Souter nominations.)

Last week, it was disclosed that as a member of a prestigious DC law firm, Roberts did pro bono work for a gay rights group that resulted in the disastrous Supreme Court decision of *Romer v. Evans*, which overturned a popularly enacted amendment to the Colorado Constitution prohibiting local gay rights laws.

According to the head of the firm's pro bono department, unlike some lawyers at the firm, Roberts never hesitated to help advance liberal causes in this way. One has to wonder why, and what implications this has for the way Roberts would rule as a justice of the United States Supreme Court.

This incident and others like it raise serious concerns. Roberts isn't on record expressing conservative views of his own (as a government lawyer, he argued the administration's position). Stealth candidates have gone badly for conservatives - witness Sandra Day O'Connor, Anthony Kennedy and David Souter.

If confirmed, Roberts could be a deciding vote on the Court for the next quarter century. We are praying that conservatives on the Senate Judiciary Committee will ask discerning questions during confirmation hearings, to determine whether Roberts will be true to the vision of the Founding Fathers.

## **WHERE GAY MARRIAGE IS TAKING US**

Two lesbians who wanted to have a so-called civil-union ceremony at a Vermont inn filed a complaint with the state's Human Rights Commission because the owners expressed reservations about hosting the function.

The proprietors of the family-run inn, described as Jim and Mary in the complaint, are Catholics. They are represented by Matthew D. Staver of Liberty Counsel

(<http://www.lc.org>) which is calling on the commission to dismiss the complaint. Staver notes that in 1994, the Vermont Supreme Court ruled the Catholic owner of a printing firm who refused to print pro-choice flyers could raise sincerely held religious beliefs as a defense.

Nevertheless, you can see where all of this is going. The ultimate goal of the gay rights movement (and same-sex marriage) is forced social acceptance. It isn't enough for gays to have special rights - based solely on bedroom behavior. Christians and Orthodox Jews must be compelled to endorse that behavior. If gay marriage ever becomes the norm, it won't be long before the movement targets conservative denominations to force them to preside over ceremonies solemnizing unions the Bible calls an "abomination." Those who preach tolerance have none for views which dissent from their own.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Special Event**

On August 23rd (starting at 6:30pm), Vision America will hold a Greater East Texas Enough Is Enough Citizenship Rally at the Maude Cobb Convention Center (100 Grand Blvd., Longview, Texas). The event is open to the public. I am honored to be sharing the podium with Former Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore – The Ten Commandments Judge – on this occasion. The topic will be judicial tyranny.

### **Annual Gala**

Tickets are still available for Vision America's annual Heroes of the Faith Gala, August 25th at The Westin Galleria Hotel in Houston, VIP and General Receptions start at 6:15pm, dinner at 7:00pm. This year's honorees are U. S. Senator Sam Brownback, Texas State Representatives Warren Chisum and Robert Talton and Pastor Steve Riggle. Donations include: Patron -- \$2,500, Table Sponsor -- \$1,500, Host Couple-- \$500 and individual tickets (one dinner)

-- \$120. To purchase tickets or for more information, go to [www.visionamerica.us](http://www.visionamerica.us) or call 713-980-3274 or 866-522-5582.

### **Countering The War on Faith**

We now have more details on Vision America's upcoming conference - Countering the War On Faith, October 17-18 at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C.

The conference will consider the attacks on Christians and other people of faith by Hollywood, the news media, public education, academia, the judiciary and activist organizations (such as the ACLU, People for the American Way and the Anti-Defamation League). Besides educating ourselves and the public on the war on faith, the conference will offer proactive solutions to the secularist jihad.

Invited speakers include: Sen. Rick Santorum, Phyllis Schlafley, Ed Meese, David Horowitz, Sen. John Cornyn, Gary Bauer, Congressman Tom DeLay, Dr. James Dobson, Rabbi Daniel Lapin, Hon. Zell Miller, D. James Kennedy and Alan Keyes.

Individual registration -- \$149, Married couples -- \$259. To register call 866-522-5582.

The Omni Shoreham is making a limited number of rooms available at the special conference rate of \$229 a night on the evenings of Oct. 16 and 17.

Contact reservations at 202-234-0700

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