

## The Truth Aletheia Group weekly newsletter

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"And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting..." (Romans 1:28)

"People who act in an unruly mob such as is the scene at the Occupy Wall Street (OWS) protests, primarily in New York City, what is on display is a level of godlessness only possible from a debased mind."—Dave—





The scenes over the Internet of the vile behavior of the protestors in

New York City primarily, but also in other cities across the country is a microcosm of how far towards Sodom and Gomorrah America has slipped. Whenever you kick God out of a republic such as ours, what you get is anarchy.

The Founding Fathers knew our nation would have to be one of laws where man ruled himself, where individual responsibility was the norm and not the exception, and where unruly conduct would be punished to the full measure of the law. Today we are just the opposite.

When you have a Democrat President, Democrat Vice-President, both Democrat leaders of Congress, union leaders, and the lamestream media not only supporting, but also praising such behavior, then one can see that indeed there is a difference in belief systems of the Republican and Democratic Parties.

Fear not, this is not a typical GOP good, Dems bad column.

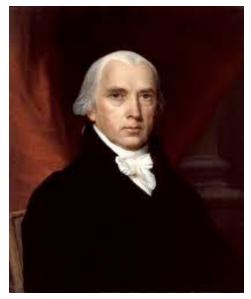
I've already clearly outlined my consternation with the GOP. However, I would dare anyone who wants to say there is no difference between the two to show me comparable behavior.

Now of course there is plenty of godlessness in the GOP ranks in their support of abortions with exceptions, but please stay with me on this. The point is the rest of the country will eventually follow the behavior on display with these protests if we do not have a true spiritual revival across this nation.

If America continues to reject the God of the Holy Bible and keeps on embracing wickedness, then our demise is much closer than even the most skeptical prognosticator could predict.

Our theme bible verse from Romans 1:28 is simply stating that God will give man his way to become as vile as his body, mind, and soul is willing to go. There are no limits to man's wickedness absent the quickening of the Holy Spirit. The American Church may shake its head in disgust at such behavior, but it should be hitting its knees in despair, calling out to our Heavenly Father to save us!

## FROM THE FOUNDERS



Our Founding Fathers were well aware of man's ability to sin. They had been governed by a corrupt king, parliament, and court system. They fully knew that a nation of laws was the only chance they had to succeed as a republic. And they knew that those laws had to be grounded in the Holy Scriptures.

"We have staked the whole future of American civilization, not upon the power of government, far from it. We have staked the future of all of our political institutions upon the capacity of mankind for self-government; upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern ourselves, to control ourselves; to sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God." James Madison, "Father of Our Constitution," co-author of The Federalist Papers, 4th President of the United States.

What has happened to the nation founded by men such as Madison, Franklin, Adams, Washington, Witherspoon, Rush, and Hamilton? We are becoming more and more each day a lawless nation, where a person's crime is not looked upon as something to be punished, but to be understood and explained away as some sort of sickness.

It is indeed a sickness, one that is eternal to the soul and destructive to a nation. What has happened is that as a country we have lost our fear of God and so we elect such men and women to represent us. Thus the approval of the vile behavior by the protestors by none other than the President, Vice-President, and leaders of Congress. And we as Americans only have ourselves to blame. Noah Webster warned us:

"When you become entitled to exercise the right of voting for public officers, let it be impressed on your mind that God commands you to choose for rulers just men who will rule in the fear of God.

Revisionist historians and secularists try to intimidate Christians and other values voters from having litmus tests when it comes to voting for a candidate. Here we have a founding father claiming we should vote for only those who fear God. So, who are your going to believe?

## FROM THE PULPIT

"There are times when we must obey God rather than men, but we believe that we should disobey the authorities only if they command us to do something directly against God's law." John MacArthur, answering the question: "Can Christians Participate in Civil Disobedience?"

The clear difference in the Tea Party Movement and the current Occupy Wall Street protests is that the former is a peaceful assembling of citizens, while the latter is unlawful civil disobedience.

The Tea Party movement does not destroy public or government property and the OWS and other leftist protests/riots always bring property destruction at taxpayer cost. Americans do have the 1st Amendment right to peacefully assemble, but property owners also have a right to protect and have their property protected by law enforcement.

At what should not be a surprise to this writer, the USA Today has somehow been able to "spiritualize" these protests, with many willing "theologians" to opine on "the spiritual side of the movement" (see: "Occupy Wall Street protests have a spiritual side). Jake Goodman, an activist and Jewish educator considers these unruly masses as some type of modern day Good Samaritan. Mr. Goodman will forgive me for not being able to make the connection.

Contrary to Mr. Goodman and the other misguided "theologians," these protestors are committing sin where Pastor MacArthur has said civil disobedience is only allowed in case the government is making you commit a sin. Once again the secularists have taking the aletheia truth and set it on its head. Instead of these protests having a spiritual side, they are devoid of God, steeped in fleshly desires.

"The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek God; God is in none of his thoughts." (Psalm 10:4)

As a child of the sixties, I saw firsthand what unruly civil disobedience wrought upon the fabric of our nation. Free love, alcohol and drug abuse, and anti-social behavior ruled the day of the Vietnam War protestors.

No doubt many of those young tie-dyed hippies then are among the gray-haired social misfits of today. More disturbing than that is they have raised their children in the same manner and have them by their side, teaching a new generation a form of godlessness. May God have mercy on our nation.

## TO THE STREETS

As citizens, what can we do about the disruptive behavior occurring at the Occupy Wall Street protests? Directly, we can do nothing. I would never recommend nor would I condone direct confrontation with these protestors. That is the job of law enforcement, even when they don't do their jobs. However, there are some citizen actions we can take to voice our displeasure. Here are just a few suggestions:

- Contact the President to voice your displeasure not only of the conduct of the
  protestors, but also, and more importantly, of his praise of their conduct. You can
  contact Mr. Obama by telephone at 202-456-1111; <u>submit</u> your comments at the White
  House website; or by snail mail at The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue,
  Washington, DC 20500 (be sure to include your email address).
- 2. Also contact the Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and House Minority Leader to voice the same as you did to the President. Contact info for both is below:

Senator Harry Reid: use email <u>form</u>, call his office at 202-224-3542 or mail him at Sen. Harry Reid, 522 Hart Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC 20510.

Rep. Nancy Pelosi: use email <u>form</u>, call her office at 202-225-4965 or mail her at Rep. Nancy Pelosi, 235 Cannon H.O.B., Washington, DC 20515.

I really encourage you to write a Letter to the Editor to your local newspaper and use any of the material in this newsletter. This is a prime opportunity to inject some aletheia truth to counter much of the nonsense coming from some of our national leaders and the lamestream media.

Tomorrow I encourage you to call in to your local talk radio station and put in your "two cents" on the subject of these protests, particularly if supporters of the protestors are trying to defend their actions. Additionally, be sure to counter any misinformation "our side" may be putting out. It is one thing to counter the Left's lies and distortions, it's quite another for us to do so factually and biblically.

Dear Patriots, being salt and light means countering the spread of cultural rot and shining light on the dark actions of the majority of these protestors. Common sense cannot prevail where it does not exists.

It takes you and me ensuring that political and moral clarity rule the day.

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