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America's Godly Roots

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The United States Senate has approved Judge Samuel Alito as the next Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, replacing Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

From all accounts, Judge Alito has been a brilliant constitutional constructionist. What that simply means is that he adheres to the principles of our Constitution as stated by our Founding Fathers who believed that it is the function of the judiciary to judge whether or not something is in accord with the original intent of our nation's foundational document. He does not believe that judges should legislate new doctrines by calling the Constitution a living document that can be contradicted.

The United States was founded by Christians, not by Muslims or atheists or secular humanists or Nazis or Communists or Fascists. Patrick Henry said, "It cannot be emphasized too often or too strongly that this nation was founded by Christians and upon the Gospel of Jesus Christ." Further, George Washington stated that "it is impossible to rightly govern without God and the Bible."

Connecticut is the Constitution state because every Connecticut citizen, once elected to public office had to put their left hand on the Bible, raise their right hand and say, "I do believe in God the Father and in Jesus Christ His son and in the Holy Ghost and in the divine authority of both the Old and New Testament." This became the formula for the first 44 state constitutions.

The Pennsylvania Constitution, authored by Benjamin Rush and James Wilson declared, "Each member before he takes his seat shall make and subscribe the follow declaration: I do believe in one God and I do acknowledge the scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be given by divine inspiration."

The Massachusetts Constitution, authored by Samuel Adams, the father of the American Revolution, and John Adams stated, "All elected must make the following declaration, 'I do declare that I believe the Christian religion and have firm persuasion of its truths.'"

Andrew Jackson stated that "the Bible is the rock upon which our republic rests." Yes, the philosophy that was foundational in America was "the laws of nature, the laws of nature's God (the Bible), and the God-given, self-evident inalienable right to life of every American citizen.

In 1892, the Supreme Court gave its most precedented statement. "The laws and institutions of this nation must necessarily be based upon and embody the life and teachings of the Redeemer of Mankind. It is impossible that it should be otherwise."

So strongly did our Founding Fathers want a republic under God that they put it in our Constitution. Article 4, Section 4 of our Constitution requires that, "Each state maintain a republican form of government." Noah Webster explained, "Our citizens should clearly understand that the genuine source of correct republican principles is the Bible, particularly the New Testament, or the Christian religion."

In short, our American heritage is to be pro-God, pro-life, pro-marriage, pro-decency, and even for the religious education of our children. The first 107 colleges in this country, including Yale, Harvard and Princeton, were all Christian schools. If a student was discovered to be cheating or immoral, they were expelled. That since 1776 has been the foundation of America. That's what made us great. Blackstone's Commentary on the Law, which was used 1776 into the 1920s, had Biblical precedences for every law (confer Original Intent by David Barton).

We are met on a great battlefield testing whether this nation or any nation so conceived and dedicated can long endure. The five major shifts in modern American history were all precipitated by a liberal Supreme Court: Despite the fact that our Constitution clearly states, "Congress shall make no law prohibiting the free exercise of religion," by a 5 to 4 vote in 1963, our Supreme Court prohibited over 40 million public school youngsters from Bible reading, prayer and the Ten Commandments. Despite the fact that the Declaration of Independence clearly states, "We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are endowed by their creator with certain inalienable rights" (first and foremost the right to life), our Supreme Court has now allowed over a quarter of a million abortions on demand (47 million surgical abortions and over 200 million caused by the abortifacient pill); In 1997, despite the fact that all liberty was ordered to the laws of nature and nature's God, our Supreme Court gave a new definite of liberty to include license, that is the right to do evil. In 2002, our Supreme Court came against the last bedrock foundation (the laws of nature) and has allowed sodomy on demand. And in 2005, the Connecticut legislature allowed same-sex unions, which is also against the laws of nature and the laws of nature's God.

The choices are clear – under God, or separation of God from state; the inalienable right to life, or abortion on demand; the Judaic-Christian religion as the foundation of education or secular humanism; the natural law or sodomy; public decency or pornography; public morality or widespread promiscuity; the protection of our youth or widespread child abuse.

America has paid a heavy price for a Supreme Court that did not adjudicate but has legislated. Toward that end, I've written a book, "God Bless America, God's Vision or Ours" published by Queenship Publishers and made available through My Father's House retreat center. In conjunction with this, I've written two new books, "The Eucharist at the Center of John Paul's Millennial Pastoral Plan" and "A Catholic Compendium of Inner Healing", both available through Queenship.

We desperately need jurists and judges who will follow what Benjamin Rush called, "the greatest Constitution given to man." For that reason, we must support judges like Sam Alito.

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