

Founding Father Samuel Adams

“If virtue and knowledge are diffused among the people, they will never be enslaved. This will be their great security.”

Resources to discern issues from a biblical, constitutional view:

The Heritage Foundation
www.Heritage.org

Stand to Reason
www.STR.org

The New American
www.TheNewAmerican.com

Vision America
www.VisionAmerica.us

Prager University
www.PragerU.com

Wall Builders
www.WallBuilders.com

The Briefing by Dr. Al Mohler
www.AlbertMohler.com

Foundation for American Christian Education
www.FACE.net

Ecclesiastes 7:12

“Knowledge is a shelter, as money is a shelter; but, the *advantage* of knowledge is this: it preserves the life of its possessor.”

An *Informed* Citizen Is a *Free* Citizen

In the Dark Ages of Medieval History, the common man was ignorant, not by choice, mind you, but because he naively trusted his spiritual and civil leaders. Unfortunately, the vast majority of those “trusted” leaders were not worthy of trust at all, but rather they delighted in the ignorance of the peasants and purposefully set in place roadblocks to prevent them from acquiring knowledge.

One example of an established roadblock was that of a monopoly on the Scriptures. The Roman Catholic Church proclaimed that only clergy could understand the Bible. Thus, only the clergy were permitted to possess it. Also, the *Latin Vulgate* was proclaimed the official translation of the Church. All other translations were forbidden. Most people were illiterate. They could not have read the words even if they had a Bible, nor could they have understood the Latin spoken in Catholic mass. These measures gave church leaders control of public education. Thus, a monopoly on the Scriptures allowed them to manipulate the Scriptures.

When the true Gospel was hidden from the people, they had no choice but to believe anything and everything that church fathers proclaimed. It was not long until a flurry of false doctrines, outright lies, were imposed upon the followers of Christ, followers who knew naught but to comply in blind obedience.

Thank God that He had a plan to remedy the situation. Although the solution was simple – provide the people access to the Bible – the process of reaching that end was fraught with peril. The Catholic

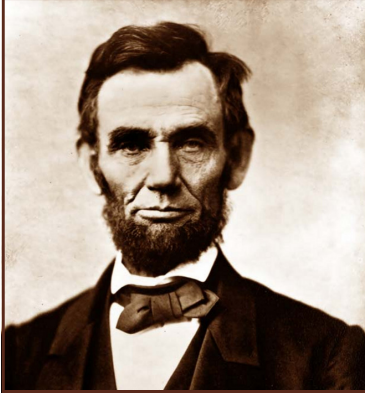
Church would not release its control of the Bible easily, and whomever opposed the Church would forfeit his life. Despite its fury, the Church could do nothing to squelch the truth, once it was revealed. Wycliffe, Huss, Gutenberg, Luther, Tyndale, and Calvin were just a few men who carved a way for the revival of learning and the renewal of Christendom.

The tragedies of that age can be summarized in one simple truth – ignorance leads to slavery, while knowledge produces liberty. Once the people had access to God’s Word, the knowledge of truth set them free, internally then externally.

In America, over the last several decades, “We the People” have been dumbed down to the extent that we swallow whatever we’re fed and we believe whatever is said. We are eager to abandon all moral restraints and personal self-government, because we don’t know any better. We gladly give away our liberties to an ever-increasing federal government, because we don’t understand how precious they are to possess. We are repeating the same folly of the Dark Ages, acting in ignorance because the truth has been hidden.

How did secular humanists achieve such a feat in our country, as to fool the vast majority of our nation? Simple, they usurped control of public education and undermined the free expression of our media. Thus, they now possess the power to educate and indoctrinate both our young in the classroom and our old in the newsroom. As masters of our media and superintendents of our schools, America’s true Christian heritage has been erased

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President Abraham Lincoln

“The philosophy of the classroom in one generation will be the philosophy of the government in the next.”

Resources to rediscover America’s Christian heritage:

America’s Providential History
Book by Beliles & McDowell

The Light & the Glory
Book by Marshall & Manuel

The God of Liberty
Book by Thomas Kidd

The Story of Liberty
Book by Charles Coffin

Original Intent
Book by David Barton, Wall Builders

America’s Christian History
Book by Gary DeMar

American Heritage Series
DVD by David Barton, Wall Builders

God and Government
Book by Gary DeMar

Christianity & the American Commonwealth
Book by Charles Galloway

from the public memory. Our heritage, our founding, no longer influences our national policies. Instead, secular humanism has replaced it, and we as Americans have quietly allowed it to happen.

Ignorance, then, is our enemy, ignorance of the Hand of God in American history and of the Christians principles on which this nation was founded. The blessing of liberty in America cannot be perpetuated unless the principles of that liberty are reaffirmed in each generation. America’s establishment was the result of a people *educated* in Christian principles. Only a *knowledge* of those principles can ensure their security in the civil arena. ¹

As Americans, we are allowing ourselves to become separated from the keystone of our national structure – our Christian heritage. Through historical revisionism, America has deflected into socialism. The keystone in the arch of our national structure has been loosened. ²

To the influence of Christianity we owe the degree of civil freedom and political and social happiness which we have enjoyed. However, whenever the pillars of Christianity shall be overthrown, our present republican forms of government, and all of the blessings which flow from them, must fall with them. ³

Therefore, the first step towards preserving and restoring our nation must be with education. ⁴ The rediscovery of our Christian heritage will restore the Christian leadership in America. ⁵ This knowledge needs to be part of the background of every individual, and it begins with you. It is true that America’s proud heritage and traditions have been subverted, and, while it is easy to point out the aggressiveness of those forces which would divide and conquer us, we as a people (especially

in the Church), by our falling away, have provided the means and opportunity for their accomplishment.

Simply put, *you must be informed*, not only with the news of the day, but also with a knowledge of the past. Educate yourself on the Christian principles upon which our forefathers so wisely set this nation. Do so by going outside of mainstream media and current revisionist history and look to those who acknowledge God’s hand and God’s Word in America’s past.

Then, you must take the responsibility to educate the children whom God has entrusted to you. It is the duty of parents to oversee their child’s education. It is not the duty of the government! Parents, you are instructed in Scripture to raise up your children in the fear of the Lord, not to forfeit your duties to the school or the church, but to make sure that what is taught in those spheres is consistent with the Bible. As you educate your children today so will our nation be tomorrow.

Unfortunately, too many of our nation’s leaders are not worthy of our trust. In fact, they delight in the ignorance of “the peasants” and purposefully set in place roadblocks to prevent us from acquiring knowledge. These measures give them total control over what is said and how it is taught. In other words, a monopoly on education in our country has allowed them to manipulate our education. Sadly, Americans don’t see what is happening.

When the truths of our nation’s past and purpose are hidden from the people, we have no choice but to believe everything that our authorities proclaim. Thus, a flurry of false teachings or outright lies have been imposed on us. Don’t be another casualty. Be educated in the truth or risk forever being a slave.

^{1,2} Verna Hall, *Christian History of the Constitution*

³ Dr. Jedidiah Morse, *Charleston Election Sermon*, 1799

^{4,5} Rosalie Slater, *Teaching & Learning America’s Christian History*