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THE RULE OF LAW VERSUS THE RULE OF TRUTH!

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The law preserves Israel and America; the truth saves the church!

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth." (Jn. 16:13)



Is John Roberts a type of an end time John the Baptist calling for all politicians to repent, and indirectly, the ministers of Jesus, as well?

John Roberts, President Bush's choice to be the next Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, through his brilliant exhibition of answering questions of Senators for 22 hours (the longest grueling for confirmation in our history) to obtain their confirmation vote, actually turned tables on these wise Senators who soon became his students. In this classroom, Roberts taught these 18 Senators of the Judicial

Committee (10 Republicans and 8 Democrats), and the nation, what the term "rule of law" really means.

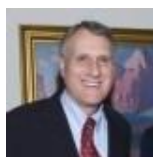
Senators go to John Roberts' classroom to learn the "rule of law"

Most Senators today, represent some special interest group such as the environmentalists, corporate America, the Black Caucus, women's rights, rights of minorities, gay rights, children's rights, Planned Parenthood, the far right, the hard left, and others simply "pork" for their own state. These leftists Senators like Dianne Feinstein, Patrick Leahy, Charles Schumer, Ted Kennedy and Russell Feingold, were in shock because this young man could be the Chief Justice for the next forty years. They had never confronted a "rule of law" lawyer. "If a rich man comes before my court, and his case falls within the boundaries of the rule of law, I will take his side. If a poor man comes likewise, and his case falls

within the framework of the rule of law, I will decide the case in his favor.” The answer to their own question dazzled the Senators.

Roberts, an end time John the Baptist?

“ And the people asked him (John the Baptist), saying, What shall we do then? He answereth and saith unto them, He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise. Then came also publicans (the Roman IRS) to be baptized, and said unto him, Master, what shall we do? And he said unto them, Exact no more than that which is appointed you. And the soldiers likewise demanded of him, saying, And what shall we do? And he said unto them, Do violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely; and be content with your wages.” (Lk. 3:10-14)



Jon Kyl

“A great teacher”

Even though he should decide cases strictly on their facts and the law, I think it's helpful for a potential chief justice to hear from the people and their elected representatives directly before he joins the Supreme Court.

Some senators, for example, complained about activist judges making law in their decisions. Roberts observed that the only real limitation on judges is their own self-restraint. He does not strike me as one who needs to be reminded of the need for self-restraint, but maybe some of his future colleagues were tuned in to the proceedings and heard the message.

Second, Roberts is, as we've seen over the past 20 hours, A GREAT TEACHER.

His explanations of the law have been clear and concise. And it doesn't hurt any of us to become reacquainted with legal principles and cases that we may have forgotten. I found his discussion interesting and helpful, for example, in understanding his concept of judicial modesty.

Judge Roberts Creates His Own Hurricane!



John the Baptist address the “Closed Door Theology”

How different from the questions first asked when John the Baptist began his ministry. John said he was, *“The voice of one crying in the wilderness...Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance,”* quickly addressing the Closed Door theology, *“And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father,”* or *“We be*

Abraham's seed.” (Matt. 3:3,8-9, Jn. 8:33) These Jews believed they were unconditionally saved, simply by birth, being born of the seed of Abraham.

Who art thou? John the Baptist

Then, *“the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No.”* (Jn. 1:19-21)

Who art thou? John Roberts

The grilling of Judge Roberts by 18 Senators is somewhat similar to the questions presented to John the Baptist. *“Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?”* (Jn. 1:22) Dianne Feinstein said, “We want to know your stand on abortion, women’s rights, rights of minorities, so we can report to the special interests that financially support us. Who do you represent, the rich or the poor?” Judging purely by the rule of law, Dianne Feinstein found out that there is no discrimination for either the rich or the poor in John Roberts’ court of law; both are treated equally. He is impartial, and no respecter of persons as far as class status.

John Roberts teaches the Captain the “rule of truth” for the church

I was absolutely stunned by the intellect and humility (a rare combination, I can assure you) of John Roberts. He was teaching the entire Congress and the nation by example what a judge, guided solely by the “rule of law” was supposed to be. If ever the Supreme Court needed a definition of what a judge ought to be like, Judge John Roberts successfully got that message across to a worldwide audience over television.

But, I detected something even more incredible. Unknowingly, in the Providence of God, Judge Roberts was speaking to me and every man on how to guide his own life as a Christian by a “cloud” that I’ll term, “the rule of truth.”

My very first introduction to “the cloud” was when I was 21 years of age and classified 1A for the draft. I could at any time receive a letter from the President of the United States that commenced with “Greetings!” Before such a letter ever arrived, I received a dream to enlist in the Navy. I knew nothing about “clouds.” I had just recently accepted my Lord as my Savior. Most of you would have attributed the dream to too much spaghetti at dinner! I was going to be drafted. The law of the land stated that every able-bodied man must serve his country. I was not a conscientious objector. I believed I was enlisting to fight the Japanese who had attacked my country at Pearl Harbor.

Daniel followed a cloud in a night vision

But God! God still rules in the affairs of men. Daniel, in the process of giving the interpretation of a dream to Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, first blessed the God of heaven Who gave him a night vision that revealed the interpretation.

“Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his: and he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding: he revealeth the deep and secret things (like the king’s dream): he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him. (Why would anyone go to a fortuneteller?)

I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, WHO HAST GIVEN ME WISDOM and might, and HAST MADE KNOWN UNTO ME now what we desired (inquired) of thee: for THOU HAST NOW MADE KNOWN unto us the king's matter.” (Dan. 2:20-23)

Israel always erred because, “they have not known MY WAYS”

God derided the children of Israel, *“When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years. Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do always err in their heart; and they have not known my ways.”* (Heb. 3:9-10)

What are God’s ways? To correctly answer that question, God warns us that we are only pilgrims on a pilgrimage through this life. *“For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.”* (Heb. 13:14) No one ever caught the vision more plainly than John Bunyan when he wrote his immortal classic in a New Bedford jail, The Pilgrim’s Progress.

Israel lived in tents, always ready to move

Supposing Pilgrim had built a castle alongside the highway to the Celestial City? Suppose he decided to put down roots and become a Baptist, a Methodist or a Pentecostal? This is why the scripture tells us, *“But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.”* (Matt. 24:13) In another portion of scripture it is described as “running a race.” *“Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.”* (1 Cor. 9:24) The prize is eternal life. *“Let us run with patience the race that is set before us.”* (Heb. 12:1)

Christ after the Spirit

After Saul met Jesus Christ on the road to Damascus, he became a follower of “Christ after the Spirit.” Do you even know who this “Christ after the Spirit” is? Or are you like “certain disciples” at Ephesus who said, *“We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost”?* (Acts 19:2) It is very important in your spiritual walk that the Holy Spirit is guiding you. *“Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more.”* (2 Cor. 5:16)

Christ after the flesh

This “Christ after the flesh” was the one you met at an altar when you became born again, *“for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.”* (Jn. 14:17) “Christ after the flesh” is a type of Moses. He can lead you right up to the Promised Land, but cannot take you in. *“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you ANOTHER COMFORTER, that he may abide with you for ever.”* (Jn. 14:16) The “forever” is in the receiving of the “Christ after the Spirit,” which is *“the Holy Ghost, and with fire.”* (Matt. 3:11)

“For if Jesus (after the flesh) had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day.” (Heb. 4:8) In over sixty years in the church, I’ve never heard this verse of scripture ever mentioned from either side of the aisle, Fundamentalist or Pentecostal.

Following the “Christ after the flesh” is a type of the children of Israel following Moses in the wilderness where they all died, save Joshua and Caleb. *“Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness: when your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years.”* (Heb. 3:8-9)

God's controversy with America

Is America once again provoking God by the murder of 45 million unborn babies? Does the blood of every child murdered by an American woman scream up to heaven as did the blood of Abel? God immediately began questioning Cain, *"What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; when thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth."* (Gen. 4:10-12)

It was Billy Graham who publicly declared on worldwide television, "If God does not judge America over the death of 45 million babies, He will have to apologize to Sodom and Gomorrah." Is Hurricane Katrina the judgment of God Billy Graham prophesied would come to America?

Nineveh would have repented?

Do you believe in woman's rights, gay rights, children's rights, animal rights, prostitute's rights, and now murder of the yet unborn rights? Nineveh, a very wicked city, would have repented in sackcloth and ashes had such a storm as Katrina hit its shores. Jesus said so. *"The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here."* (Matt. 12:41)

Nineveh was the capital of the entire Assyrian world empire. This is the reason it is a type of America today, the greatest power on earth. Assyrian armies destroyed the Northern Kingdom of Israel. Jonah had no interest in preaching to Nineveh, who was the number one enemy of the Jews and had the most powerful armies to secure their capitol.

I believe God is telling America that Nineveh would have repented in sackcloth and ashes after a Hurricane Katrina disaster, recognizing that God is angry over their sins. What are we doing? Blaming it all on global warming!

Saul of Tarsus meets a greater than Caesar

Apostle Paul was a type of a Ninevehite, serving Caesar and the Sanhedrin court. As Paul journeyed on the Damascus Road, he met One mightier than Caesar or the chief priest of the Sanhedrin, Who knocked him off his horse screaming at him saying, *"Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?...it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks."* (Acts 9:4-5) Saul knew power, but he had met the real Power and folded! Man is no match against God! Who can get that message across to Geraldo Rivera and his buddy, Mayor Jerry Brown?

President Bush on wrong road map

I deeply love this President, George W. Bush, but like the Apostle Paul, he is on the Damascus Road by following the same Bill Clinton "road map to peace" that infringes on God's real estate that the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob gave to Israel. I doubt if Ariel Sharon even believes that God holds the title deed to land he is giving away. Just as Saul of Tarsus suddenly received a Doctorate of Divinity in theology, America, George W. Bush and the liberal hard left Democrats are going to be humbled!

Katrina was not enough: Rita is on her way! America and her alliance with the Palestinians to drive Israel into the Mediterranean Sea is going to come to a halt! George W. Bush will be knocked off his horse while driving the Road Map of the Oslo Accord.

**Message to the President: "You're on the Damascus Road!
The Road map to Peace is Arafat's Road, it should not be ours!"**

"For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation." (Zeph. 2:4)

**Palestinians celebrate as
Israel completes pullout**



MISSING ARAFAT: Palestinians hold flags and a giant poster of the late Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat on top of a water tank on Saturday in the evacuated northern West Bank settlement of Homesh, near Jenin.
Nasser Nasser, The Associated Press



DANCING IN THE STREETS: Palestinian police officers celebrate as they wait late Sunday, Sept. 11, 2005 IN THE TOWN OF Beit Lahiya to enter the Jewish settlement of Dugit, northern Gaza Strip.
Hatem Moussa, The Associated Press



Palestinian children hold the national flag as bathers enjoy the Mediterranean sea next to the Mawasi area in the Gaza Strip, Monday, Sept. 12, 2005.
Muhammed Muheisen, The Associated Press



Israeli soldiers lower the national flag during the closing ceremony in the Israeli army headquarters in the Gaza Strip on Sunday, Sept. 11, 2005. In the background, debris from the vacated Jewish settlement of Neve Dekalim burns.
Ariel Schalit, The Associated Press

“Eye to Eye”

There is a book written by William Koenig entitled, Eye to Eye: Facing the Consequences of Dividing Israel. This book was written in 2004, published by “About Him Publishers.” For biblical news go to Koenig’s International News at www.watch.org. This book records and documents 29 catastrophes that came to America under the watches of George W. Bush and Bill Clinton, within a 48 hour time period as they traveled this “road map to peace,” adopted by the Oslo Accord. Also recorded are 24 record setting catastrophes and/or major events occurring under George W. Bush during his first 40 months as President, from October 2, 2001 to January 8, 2004. Eight periods of disruption occurred in the United States following the 9-11 terror event when George W. Bush attempted to divide Israel’s land.

Does God ever get angry?

The Bible says, “*Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little.*” (Ps. 2:12) How much is “a little”? Do you honestly think 45 million babies murdered by potential mothers in America could anger God “a little”? what about gay marriage? bestiality? sex with children? Would you consider this as angering God “a little”?

Someway, I enjoyed seeing casinos being picked up by God’s wrath and hurled into other buildings, and slot machines slung all over the streets, smashed, with coins everywhere. I am helpless to stop the progress of these casinos invading every area of our cities. However, there exists a Power far greater than the “god of mammon,” and acts completely independent of the bias of the news media and our Congress. King Solomon said, “*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom.*” (Prov. 9:10) This statement came from the most intelligent man that ever lived.

Baptists teach all you need is a “touch”

Baptist’s teach that all you need is a “touch.” “Only believe.” Why, the devils do more than that. Demons not only believe, but in addition, “tremble.” (Jas. 2:19) President George Bush was “touched” and delivered of alcoholism, but poor George never found the Door to the correct highway to travel on. You must get on “the King’s highway” and stay on it. It will lead you correctly. (The Pilgrim’s Progress) George’s “road map” is no better than the one Balaam traveled on. Balaam’s donkey had more brains than the prophet who had been “touched” by God.

“The error of Balaam must be distinguished from his ‘way’ (2 Pet. 2:15), and his ‘doctrine’ (Rev. 2:14). The error of Balaam was that reasoning from a natural morality, and seeing the evil in Israel, he supposed a righteous God would curse them.” (C.I. Scofield)

President Bush a type of Balaam?

President Bush is a type of Balaam, the prophet touched by God, making concessions just like all presidents have since the scraping of the Monroe Doctrine to appease the King of Saudi Arabia. In return, the King of Saudi Arabia assures you that you have enough gasoline to drive to work tomorrow morning. We’ve been hijacked as a nation. We either anger the King of Saudi Arabia, or the King of Kings!

Monroe Doctrine

George Washington, getting instruction directly from God, was told to “avoid all foreign involvement” with heathen nations. Keep separate, as any Christian is commanded. For a long time, our nation respected the Monroe Doctrine for this very reason. We are caught in a trap by the very automobiles we love and adore, and there is no way out. Saudi Arabia is like a mother-in-law. You didn’t plan it, it just happened. This mother-in-law uses your money to support terrorists and teachers of Jihad right here in America when you buy gasoline.

Need more than a “touch” to endure to the end

Do you see why these are encouraging words, “*Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.*” (Rev. 3:11) You must finish the race to receive a crown. Only those who received a crown will rule and reign with Christ for 1,000 years. You need more than just a “touch” to “*endure unto the end.*” (Matt. 24:13)

Environmentalism is a religion

Environmentalism is a religion. Humanism is their god, Mother Nature is the virgin, and Lenin-Marxism is the spirit that impregnated the virgin, birthing the child, “global warming.” To the liberal mind set, global warming is a type of Jesus Christ in their religion. This child, global warming, resurrected from the dead, is made alive through our public schools and mass news media. Like Joseph Goebbels said, “When you tell a lie, tell a big one and repeat it often, and the masses will believe.”

The sea and the waves roaring!

In Luke 21:25, one of the “signs of the times” is “*the sea and the waves roaring.*” Do you even bother to ask, “Why is the sea roaring?” Even the mariners who had taken Jonah on board their ship heading toward Tarshish began an inquiry when they saw the sea roaring. “*But the LORD sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken. Then the mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his god, and cast forth the wares that were in the ship into the sea, to lighten it of them. But Jonah was gone down into the sides of the ship; and he lay, and was fast asleep.*” (Jonah 1:4-5)

Geraldo Rivera and Jerry Brown

Jonah is a perfect picture of the politicians and preachers fast asleep thinking this tragedy in New Orleans and Mississippi are just a problem of global warming. On a late night Fox News show on August 25, 2005, Jerry Brown, mayor of Oakland, California, and Geraldo Rivera were guests. Both of them passed Hurricane Katrina off as a problem of global warming. Those words of unbelief had hardly left their mouth when it was announced that another hurricane was following the same path as Katrina, traveling due west toward New Orleans. An emergency order was being given to stop anyone from returning to their homes in New Orleans. Do you think God is giving an altar call to repent?