



THE FOUNDATION

"The most sacred of the duties of a government [is] to do equal and impartial justice to all citizens." --Thomas Jefferson

FAITH AND FAMILY

"The latest ... successful attempt to spread hatred and violence has been to take that wonderful call to 'justice' and insert one word in front of it that makes it 'better' -- as in, 'social justice'. ... The combination of these words makes one feel so good. But it's time to pull back the curtain and find out what the term has come to mean, how it has been able to gain such massive popularity, and who is behind it. Can you say, 'William Ayers'? Yes, that William Ayers. ... What is Ayers brand of 'social justice' that now permeates our schools and society at large? It is a perversion of what Scripture calls for. If you read his text books and those of his compatriots, you know that he uses the term to call for overthrowing the free-market system -- which affords equal opportunity for everyone -- and replacing it with a system that forces the 'redistribution of wealth' -- and he's not afraid to use violence, hatred and class warfare to do it. He believes that America as a nation is today unjust and oppressive. He freely admits that he is a 'communist street fighter'. His courses, recommended books (such as *Queering Elementary Education*) and theories are now widely adopted at teacher's colleges around the country. Part of Ayer's success has been to first teach such messages of hatred and racism in inner-city schools. But like everything else from the spread of violent rap music, to the 'gangsta clothing' styles and the attitudes that go with them, to the problems of out of wedlock sex and pregnancy, when you take advantage of disadvantaged kids and feed the problems, those ills eventually spread into the suburban communities as well. ... So, the next time you hear the phrase, 'social justice', take time to question the one who is using it.... Maybe their motives are pure and they are using the word 'justice' in its classic, biblical sense. But chances are they have no idea that the vision of justice that has taken their hearts captive was perpetrated by a terrorist who is using their good will to spread his hatred and to bring forth a more authoritative government where the individual

is held captive to a few elitists with ultimate power."
--Heritage Foundation Senior Communications Fellow Rebecca Hagelin

CULTURE

"Most of our nation's great problems, including our economic problems, have as their root decaying moral values. Whether we have the stomach to own up to it or not, we have become an immoral people left with little more than the pretense of morality. ... Do you believe that it is moral and just for one person to be forcibly used to serve the purposes of another? And, if that person does not peaceably submit to being so used, do you believe that there should be the initiation of some kind of force against him? Neither question is complex and can be answered by either a yes or no. For me the answer is no to both questions but I bet that your average college professor, politician or minister would not give a simple yes or no response. They would be evasive and probably say that it all depends. ...[That] is because they are sly enough to know that either answer would be troublesome for their agenda. A yes answer would put them firmly in the position of supporting some of mankind's most horrible injustices such as slavery. After all, what is slavery but the forcible use of one person to serve the purposes of another? A no answer would put them on the spot as well because that would mean they would have to come out against taking the earnings of one American to give to another in the forms of farm and business handouts, Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps and thousands of similar programs that account for more than two-thirds of the federal budget. There is neither moral justification nor constitutional authority for what amounts to legalized theft. This is not an argument against paying taxes. We all have a moral obligation to pay our share of the constitutionally mandated and enumerated functions of the federal government. ...[But] now that the U.S. Congress has established the principle that one American has a right to live at the expense of another American, it no longer pays to be moral."

--George Mason University economics professor
Walter E. Williams

INSIGHT

"Legal plunder can be committed in an infinite number of ways; hence, there are an infinite number of plans for organizing it: tariffs, protection, bonuses, subsidies, incentives, the progressive income tax, free education, the right to employment, the right to profit, the right to wages, the right to relief, the right to the tools of production, interest free credit, etc., etc. And it the aggregate of all these plans, in respect to what they have in common, legal plunder, that goes under the name of socialism."

--French economist, statesman and author Frederic Bastiat (1801-1850)

LIBERTY

"We do not want to lose the liberty and freedom that we were born with in this country and that has made this the greatest country on earth.... It has been liberty; it's been freedom; it has been the ambition and desire to use that freedom in the concept of self-interest. ... [T]his notion of sacrifice that the president talked about ... is just over the top. Liberals always talk about sacrifice -- Obama, every time he opens his mouth, mentions the need for people to sacrifice. ... We all have to jointly suffer in order for all of us to somehow be the same. ...[But] self-interest is not selfishness. Self-interest is what built this country. Somebody starting a business did it in his self-interest. He didn't start a business so that there would be jobs and health care in the community. He started a business because he loved the business that he was in. ... He had a product or a service that he thought would improve the lives of people. ... Let me give you a [quote] from Ayn Rand on this. 'It only stands to reason that where there's sacrifice, there's someone collecting the sacrificial offerings. Where there's service, there is someone being served. The man who speaks to you of sacrifice is speaking of slaves and masters, and intends to be the master.' That is President Obama." --radio talk-show host Rush Limbaugh

THE GIPPER

"The difference between the path toward greater freedom or bigger government is the difference between success and failure; between opportunity and coercion; between faith in a glorious future and fear of mediocrity and despair; between respecting people as adults, each with a spark of greatness, and treating them as helpless children to be forever dependent; between a drab, materialistic world where

Big Brother rules by promises to special interest groups, and a world of adventure where everyday people set their sights on impossible dreams, distant stars, and the Kingdom of God. We have the true message of hope for America." --Ronald Reagan

POLITICAL FUTURES

"Today we find an improvident Republican Party lost in the political wilderness. As the GOP seeks to find its own Promised Land -- a return to majority leadership -- it has, to its own detriment, rebelled against the core conservative principles solemnized within its own party platform. ... The American people demand much more. They have forsaken the GOP because it first forsook them. Yet the party's ideologically emaciated leaders remain oblivious to the obvious -- blind to the political sustenance aplenty that pelts thick skulls like manna from Heaven. If the GOP ever wishes to reverse its spiral into the abyss of irrelevancy, it must, in word and deed, make a bold, unapologetic return to the fiscally conservative and socially conservative policies that fueled the Reagan revolution." --columnist Matt Barber

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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"When will Americans say enough is enough? When will we draw the line and tell Obama there's a line that cannot be crossed or there will be war? I've seen the Tea Party movement across America and that gives me hope -- I know I'm not speaking for just myself, there's millions of other American's who believe as I do. We simply need a leader, a George Washington, someone who will stand in the gap and unite the Patriots across America against tyranny. We need to do something before the Land of the free and the home of the brave is gone forever." --Burbank, Ohio

"Thanks for being a light in the wilderness. With every report of what Obama and most of our elected officials are forcing on us, I fear for the future of my country and my children. I am offended and disheartened by what the people we have elected, Democrat and Republican, are allowing to happen in and to the country. I am disappointed that our elected and appointed officials do not have the courage to stand and defend our Constitution. Please keep spreading your good work and hope. God Help Us All!" --Cinnaminson, New Jersey

RE: THE LEFT

"These decisions -- that government, not the free market, shall dictate who runs a private corporation, what that corporation shall make or sell, and what it shall pay its employees -- are unprecedented in an America not fully mobilized for war. Apologists for the Obama administration -- and there are many -- note that previous administrations have done similar things in 'difficult economic times.' As examples, they cite Franklin Delano Roosevelt's Depression-era agricultural production limits to boost farm prices and Richard Nixon's "temporary" wage and price freeze to cut inflation. What today's cheerleaders for Draconian interference in capitalism and our private lives fail to mention is that these measures were abandoned because they did not work. FDR's farm production limits produced a thriving black market and eventually succumbed to the need to feed millions of our countrymen suddenly drafted to fight World War II. President Nixon's attempt to dampen inflation with wage and price controls was a monumental failure. When he started the program, the inflation rate was nearly 4 percent. By the time he left office, it was more than 13 percent and climbing. But those ugly precedents aren't going to stop the O-Team from trying again." --columnist Oliver North

OPINION IN BRIEF

"The government, which is decreasingly capable of running itself, will now dictate to corporate America how to run companies. The Obama administration has even promised that government will insure any warranties that might be in jeopardy should GM and Chrysler declare bankruptcy. It is a dangerous precedent that should frighten all of us into opposing the administration's plans with every fiber of our still free beings. President Obama says the American auto industry will not be allowed to 'simply vanish.' No, but the direction in which it is heading will require what's left of the companies to manufacture cars even fewer people want to buy, thus requiring the effective nationalization of the automobile industry. If people aren't buying cars from GM and Chrysler in sufficient numbers to make a profit today, why would they buy them when they are even less attractive?" --columnist Cal Thomas

GOVERNMENT

"Instead of the quick, decisive, confidential and limited action some of us hoped for last September, a couple of presidents and Treasury secretaries -- plus a chairman of the Federal Reserve -- have been all over it. Every week they seem to propose a dif-

ferent remedy and new takeover. Congress has intervened, too, Heaven help us. For this is the same 535-member board of directors that gave us success stories like Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Another huge, maybe permanent public-private corporation is now on the drawing board to handle/extend the crisis that those bloated monsters created. Oh, joy! Ah, Congress. ... Five hundred and thirty-five cooks do have a tendency to spoil the broth. Especially if every member of Congress thinks he knows the answer to the Crisis, which, naturally, grows ever more complicated thanks to all their ministrations. The government just goes on acquiring a huge stake in private companies. One week it's AIG, the next General Motors. What's next? The most ambitious agenda of social and financial engineering since the (not so) Great Society is being proposed in the name of speeding the economy's recovery. Health, energy, education, you name it and this administration is going to re-do it completely. Well, sure. In the immortal words of Rahm Emanuel, the White House chief of staff: 'You never want a serious crisis to go to waste.'" --Arkansas Democrat-Gazette editor Paul Greenberg

THE LAST WORD

"Apparently, it's OK for Obama to fire the head of General Motors, but Bush can't fire his own U.S. attorneys. It is generally agreed that the Obama administration's demand that Rick Wagoner resign as chairman of General Motors is the price of GM's accepting government money. To promote the sales of GM vehicles, Obama says the government will stand by your GM car warranty. And all the taxpayers will get a lube job. The new GM owner's manual will come with a disclaimer: 'Close enough for government work.' ... Now that the government owns everything, there's no end to the dead wood that can be cleared out. Except the problem is ... most of the dead wood exists only because of the government in the first place. Capitalism has its own methods of clearing out dead wood, which the government keeps preventing by forcing the taxpayer to bail out capitalism's losers." --columnist Ann Coulter

Veritas vos Liberabit -- Semper Vigilo, Fortis, Paratus, et Fidelis! Mark Alexander, Publisher, for *The Patriot's* editors and staff.

(Please pray for our Patriot Armed Forces standing in harm's way around the world, and for their families -- especially families of those fallen Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen, who granted their lives in defense of American liberty.)