

California Passes SB 777 - Here Come the Language Police

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{bot_wrgoogle}Fox also said that we needed to exercise "tolerance." He reiterated the call for tolerance several times and added that even though he is a devout Catholic he is very tolerant of all others who pursue the "spiritual life." He intimated that tolerance was the very heart and principle of all good diplomacy and politics.

President Fox's statement coupled with President Bush's recent statement about "all religions praying to the same God;" make for good news but are proof that politicians make poor theologians. Some one should remind them that not all that is "spiritual" is divine. Cultism, witchcraft, tarot, channeling, and a long list of spiritual practices are indeed "spiritual" but the question remaining is; what spirit?

Not all that is spiritual is generated by God. The god of this world (Satan) is also a spirit and only the woefully or willfully ignorant can't see that he has a lot of spiritual tricks, callings, manifestations and religions in his little bag.

We have only to look at recent legislation in California to see what happens when the popular notion of "tolerance" crosses into the realm of law. In California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger signed a bill in October 2007 that disallows the use of the words, Mom, Dad, husband and wife in California schools.

The new language laws in California are an example of tolerance becoming militantly intolerant. But now gays and transsexuals are protected from any offence imagined or real. This is accomplished at the expense of offending over 95 percent of the heterosexuals and their families who reflect the make up of California schools. Is this tolerant?

Has any one asked the question; just how many high school and elementary students are gay or transsexual? Gay high school students, a few perhaps but transsexual or elementary school transsexuals; just how many of them are there

in California? Has California changed its laws to defend the sensitivities of a non-existent group of people?

Have we traversed from the silent majority up to the moral majority only to slide over to the tolerant majority; then all the way back to the silent majority again? This trek to nowhere is reminiscent of a line from a Marx Brothers movie. Groucho trying to get someone to join him in a business venture said he would give his potential partner a full 20 percent of the business. After reminding him that 20 percent of nothing is nothing, he offers this assurance. "Don't worry because I've worked myself up from nothing to a state of extreme poverty" Enter American morality; the new partner of tolerance and diversity!

From the days of the Hula Hoop craze to the present Americans have loved the pop swings from one new thing to another and until now no one was seriously hurt on the way. Now we risk hurting ourselves irreparably with something that claims to take the hurt off of everyone. Vicente Fox may have hit the nail on the head. What we once had is looking qualitatively better than what we're getting into.

Tolerance is a word that is sailing around at the speed of stupidity. The confusion it creates is apparent when Islamic groups like CAIR go about pointing out every perceived insult to Islam in America even as America and the rest of the world are not afforded a speck of tolerance in return, in fact the doctrine and ideology of Islam forbids it. A cartoon, a negative statement about Muhammad or refusal to convert to Islam can result in death. Yet there are Americans who also watch for any and all possible intolerant language as it pertains to Islam. Double standards notwithstanding; this is the stupidity connected to the word "tolerance" that betrays its obvious lack of wisdom and social importance.

It does well to note that the Bible says in the spiraling immorality predicted in the last days one person will emerge to bring the entire age to its culmination. That person is referred to as the antichrist. One trait or proclivity that he possesses is that he decides the world would be better if he changed the way we count time and he calls for a change in the laws. (Daniel 7:25)

Since the antichrist is referred to as the man of "anarchy" you needn't guess at the way he plans to change the laws. Somewhere between "if it feels good, do it" and the word "tolerant" he will pull the plug on almost every folkway, more, commandment or moral code ever known. The only law that will be seriously enforced will be the one that calls for the supremacy of his rule.

For over 35 years now I have explained to thousands of people that the singular difference between the antichrist and every other despot or dictator in history is what causes him to succeed where all others have failed to dominate the world. Instead of using military might to draw the world into submission he uses the economy.

In the EU today the newly forming seat of the antichrist is already checking the morality of the countries waiting with baited breath to join the economic mega block. Poland is but one example. The EU is insisting that the Poland which is

the native land of the former much beloved John Paul, must lessen or eliminate its stand against abortion and the practice of homosexuality before it can come under the full graces of the European Union. Poland, however, is not the only country under EU scrutiny for its moral stand.

Tolerance can hardly be tolerated when it is used to contort or eliminate the very binding threads that have held civilization together through every scourge, war or catastrophe. A woe is pronounced on the architects of the unbridled and poorly defined idea of tolerance as it is being touted in today's thinking. It will go unheeded by most but it should be heard nevertheless... Ye have wearied the Lord with your words. Yet ye say, wherein have we wearied him? When ye say, every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the Lord. (Mal 2:17)

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