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#### IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776. DECLARATION A RESENTATIVES OF THE ATES OF AMERICA Decision

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### Summary:

Conclusion: All Christians who are citizens of the U.S., should vote wisely and intelligently to preserve and defend the Constitution for this glorifies God.

Therefore the U.S. citizen, in order to vote intelligently and wisely, must understand the thinking embodied in the U.S. Constitution so that he can vote in a way that preserves and protects our heritage.

By understanding this biblical framework which informed the thinking of the Founding Fathers, a Christian can then vote more intelligently and wisely to preserve and protect the Constitution and the freedoms it recognizes.

# **The Divine Institutions**

The term "divine institution" has been used by Christians to speak of those absolute social structures established by God and embedded within the social structure of the human race. Thus these are for the entire human race—believers and unbelievers alike. These are unbreakable realities.

Modern paganism views them as by-products of man's psycho-social evolution, "cultural conventions."

# **The Divine Institutions**

 Individual responsibility PRE\_FALL
Marriage
Marriage
Designed to promote productivity, and advance civilization

4. Government, judicial POST-FALL

5. Nations

**Designed to restrain evil** 



and enjoying its fruits



# **Communist Party Goals to Destroy America**

- 25. Break down cultural standards of morality by promoting pornography and obscenity in books, magazines, motion pictures, radio and TV.
- 26. Present homosexuality, degeneracy and promiscuity as "normal, natural, healthy."
- 27. Infiltrate the churches and replace revealed religion with social religion. Discredit the Bible and emphasize the need for intellectual maturity which does not need a "religious crutch."

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- 28. Eliminate prayer or any phase of religious expression in the schools on the ground that it violates the principle of "separation of church and state."
- 29. Discredit the American Constitution by calling it inadequate, old-fashioned, out of step with modern needs, a hindrance to cooperation between nations on a world-wide basis.
- 30. Discredit the American Founding fathers. Present them as selfish aristocrats who had no concern for the "common man."

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- 31. Belittle all forms of American culture and discourage the teaching of American history on the ground that it was only a minor part of the "big picture." Give more emphasis to Russian history since the Communists took over.
- 32. Support any socialist movement to give centralized control over any part of the culture-education, social agencies, welfare programs, mental health clinics, etc.

Deut. 4:5, "See, I have taught you statutes and judgments just as the LORD my God commanded me, that you should do thus in the land where you are entering to possess it.

Deut. 4:6, "So keep and do *them*, for that is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes and say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people."

Deut. 4:8, "Or what great nation is there that has statutes and judgments as righteous as this whole law which I am setting before you today?" Deut. 6:6, "These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart.

Deut. 6:7, "You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up." Prov 13:22, "A good *man* leaves an inheritance to his children's children, But the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous."

2 Cor 12:14, "Now *for* the third time I am ready to come to you. And I will not be burdensome to you; for I do not seek yours, but you. For the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children." Gen. 9:5, "Surely I will require your lifeblood; from every beast I will require it. And from every man, from every man's brother I will require the life of man.

Gen. 9:6, "Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed, for in the image of God He made man." Acts 17:26, "and He made from one *man* every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined *their* appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation."