



# A Christian Nation?

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# Christian Nationalism

- “Christian Nationalism” has become a derogatory term, synonymous with “Racist”, “Patriot”, “Nazi”, “KKK”, and “White Supremacy”
- “American Exceptionalism” is today racist
- We are seeing the demonization of Christians and patriots, even in our local papers.
- “The conflation of pro-Trump and Christian rhetoric reflects a resurgent trend that has prompted concern from faith leaders in Central Florida and nationwide. **Known as Christian nationalism**, the philosophy’s adherents posit that God has blessed America above all other nations — which means an attack on America is equivalent to an attack on God.”

<https://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/os-ne-white-nationalism-christian-church-20211029-zpcswnswnqnbmvapwlmiciduwz4-story.html>





# Critical Race Theory, Whites,

- A professor at New Jersey's Rutgers University said she believes that white people are historically "committed to being villains" — and that her unfiltered solution to addressing white supremacy would be to "take them out."
- Brittney Cooper, a professor of women's and gender studies and Africana studies, addressed the history of colonialism during a discussion last month about critical race theory with the Root Institute.
- "I think that white people are committed to being villains in the aggregate," Cooper said. She said white people don't trust society to redistribute power to diverse groups of people "because they are so corrupt."
- "You know, their thinking is so murky and spiritually bankrupt about power that they ... they fear this really existentially letting go of power because they cannot imagine another way to be," she said.
- "'Kids actually can grasp critical race theory because the issue that the right has, is that critical race theory is just the proper teaching of American history,' she said.
- "The thing I want to say to you is we got to take these motherf--kers out," she said, though she quickly added that she "doesn't believe in a project of violence."

<https://nypost.com/2021/10/29/rutgers-professor-calls-white-people-villains/>



# America was Always Viewed as a Christian Nation

On August 28, 1947, President Harry S Truman wrote of America to Pope Pius XII:

“Your Holiness, **this is a Christian Nation**. More than a half century ago that declaration was written into the decrees of the highest court in this land.

It is not without significance that the valiant pioneers who left Europe to establish settlements here, at the very beginning of their colonial enterprises, declared their faith in the Christian religion and made ample provision for its practice and for its support.

The story of the Christian missionaries who in earliest days endured perils, hardship — even death itself in carrying the message of Jesus Christ to untutored savages is one that still moves the hearts of men ...”

He added:

“As a Christian Nation our earnest desire is to work with men of good will everywhere to banish war and the causes of war from the world whose Creator desired that men of every race and in every clime (region) should live together in peace, good will and mutual trust ...

that mankind shall live in freedom, not in the chains of untruth nor in the chains of a collectivist organization.”

# And Now It is Not

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- April 6, 2009, during a press conference with the president of Turkey, President Obama said, "Although as I mentioned, we have a very large Christian population, we do not consider ourselves a Christian nation or a Jewish nation or a Muslim nation. We consider ourselves a nation of citizens who are bound by ideals and a set of values. I think modern Turkey was founded with a similar set of principles."
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# The Turning Point: Prayer Removed from Public Schools in America



- William J. Murray III was the plaintiff in the 1963 Supreme Court case
- Attending school in Baltimore, MD
- Son of Madalyn Murray O'Hair, who, though married, had an affair with a married man and gave birth to William.
- First blamed God, then later she denounced God as a fraud.
- 1955, O'Hair joined the Socialist Labor party, then became a Trotskyite and subsequently joined a pro-Castro group.
- Tried to leave Christian America to get to atheist Russia.





# Failed Trip to USSR

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“In August 1960 Madalyn and her son William III boarded the ship Queen Elizabeth for France. Once in Paris she headed straight for the Soviet Embassy. Her request for Soviet citizenship would take months and have to be approved by the presidium of the Supreme Soviet. She was also told that her life in the USSR would be very hard. Not wanting to wait, her hopes dashed, she returned to the United States. This caught the attention of the high Communist Leadership and they saw in her, a chance to achieve one of their Communist Objectives. She became the instrument by which they could use her son to get Prayer removed from Public Schools.”

”Let Us Pray”, William J. Murray





# Bible Reading the Norm

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“Returning to Baltimore she took William to Woodbourne Junior High to enroll him in school. They entered the building a few minutes before 8AM. They passed a few rooms where the children were reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. She asked William, “They do this every day?” As they approached another room, they saw students with heads bowed, reciting the Lord’s Prayer. With an outburst of obscenities, she shouted to young William, “Why didn’t you tell me about this?”

A few moments later they were in the counselor’s office, where Madalyn got straight to the point shouting, “Why are those f—ing children praying? It’s un-American and unconstitutional.” A heated discussion ensued, where Madalyn finally shouted, “This won’t be the last time you hear from me about these prayers in school.” In a fateful comment, the counselor said, “If you don’t like it, why don’t you sue us?” Madalyn stared at him, registered the idea and left.”

”Let Us Pray”, William J. Murray



- Then Madalyn wrote a letter to the Baltimore Morning Sun, and got an interview from a staff reporter. A few days later William's picture appeared on the front page of the local section with the headline, "BOY, 14, BALKS AT BIBLE READING."
- Soon NBC, CBS and ABC plus the major news wire-services were calling to arrange interviews with Madalyn and William.
- a member from the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) called Madalyn to inform her they were entering the case on their behalf.
- After losing in three lower courts, the Supreme Court sided with O'Hair and prayer and the Bible were removed from our schools.



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# God's Warning

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Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them fade from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

Deuteronomy 4:9



## The New Attack on Parents

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- Responding first to the question, Republican candidate Glenn Youngkin raised the issue of “school systems refusing to engage with parents,” offering the recent example of parents in Fairfax County, Va., who were unaware of sexually explicit content in books available to children at the school library.
- “You believe school systems should tell children what to do,” Youngkin said to McAuliffe. “I believe parents should be in charge of their kids’ education.”
- In response, McAuliffe said, “I’m not going to let parents come into schools and actually take books out and make their own decisions,” adding, “I don’t think parents should be telling schools what they should teach.”
- Asked in a subsequent interview whether parents should have buy-in on a school’s curriculum, McAuliffe doubled down: “Listen, we have a board of ed working with the local school boards to determine the curriculum for our schools. You don’t want parents coming in in every different school jurisdiction saying, ‘This is what should be taught here’ and, ‘This is what should be taught here.’”

<https://www.nationalreview.com/2021/10/terry-mcauliffes-war-on-parents/>





# Loudon County VA

- Scott Smith, the father of a Loudoun County girl who was sexually assaulted at Stone Bridge High School filed two motions related to his charges for disorderly conduct arising out of the June 22nd school board meeting. Scott's daughter was assaulted in the girls' restroom (raped and sodomized) on May 28 by a 14-year-old boy (dressed as a girl). Smith says he attended the board meeting looking for answers but during a heated exchange the 48-year-old was arrested.
- *The Loudoun County Commonwealth's Attorney, Buta Biberaj, chose to handle the prosecution herself for these two misdemeanor charges [against Scott Smith at his original trial in the General District Court]. At the time of sentencing, Ms. Biberaj asked for an active jail sentence for the Defendant as part of his punishment," apparently believing that Mr. Smith was a "domestic terrorist" who deserved jail time.*
- *"Biberaj was also a member of "Anti-Racist Parents of Loudoun," a closed Facebook group where members doxxed opponents of the school division's work to "improve racial and LGBTQ/transgender equity."*

# Local School Boards are Off the Rails

- At the October 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Orange County School board:
- “...shortly before the meeting, this journalist was approached by two concerned parents about a sexually explicit book, which has garnered national attention, that their child found featured prominently in the library of Boone High School on a bookstand promoting the LGBT community during Pride Month.
- The book, *Gender Queer: A Memoir* by Maia Kobabe, a graphic novel with drawings that explains in lurid detail the sexual interactions between two young men, has been inserted into high school libraries across America, despite it violating guidelines against pornography or sexually explicit materials being provided to minors and paid for with our tax dollars.
- After reading aloud a portion of just one section... OCPS Chairman Teresa Jacobs demanded this journalist cease reading the passage. After refusing to do so, she instructed OCPS police officers to eject this journalist from the meeting by force.
- Brevard County Public Schools, which neighbors Orange County, immediately pulled the book from schools after they were made aware that students had access to it, for violating district guidelines. School Board districts in Virginia have also recently pulled *Gender Queer* for similar reasons.”

<https://www.thegatewaypundit.com/2021/10/video-journalist-reads-filthy-porn-book-schools-library-fl-school-board-meeting-board-members-call-police-forcefully-removed-reading-obscene-content-aloud/>



# One Administration Disowns Jesus

- President Obama's administration asked Georgetown University to remove all signs and symbols from their hall before the President delivered his speech to the assembly. The University was only too willing to strip the hall of its religious symbols in order to land such a prominent speaker. The message was clear: religion has no place in the public square.
- “The White House asked Georgetown to cover a monogram symbolizing Jesus' name in Gaston Hall, which Obama used for his speech, according to CNSNews.com. The gold "IHS" monogram inscribed on a pediment in the hall was covered over by a piece of black-painted plywood, and remained covered over the next day, CNSNews.com reported.”  
NBCwashington.com
- In 2007 Barack Obama contended, "Whatever we once were, we're no longer a Christian nation. At least not just. We are also a Jewish nation, a Muslim nation, and a Buddhist nation, and a Hindu nation, and a nation of nonbelievers."
- Georgetown is a Jesuit University founded in 1789, and yet its administrators were willing to hide the school's religious identity in order to land a popular guest. Patrick Reilly, President of The Cardinal Newman Society, understands the situation well: "It is such a sad commentary that Catholic universities are willingly hiding the most visible signs of their Catholic identity when hosting secular leaders. What's next, will Notre Dame cover images of Jesus and Mary and ban rosaries when they honor President Obama next month?"
- In Matthew 10:32-33, Jesus said, "Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven."



# But Were We Really A Christian Nation? Or was this “Fake History” that needs to be corrected by revising all textbooks?

- In 1963, in the aftermath of the Supreme Court decision, not only was prayer taken out of the public schools, so were all the historical references to God and his Providence.
- Today, the average American, whether born here or an immigrant, knows nothing of the Providential interventions that led to the founding of our republic.
- School books were replaced by a revisionist history.

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A photograph of the United States Supreme Court Building in Washington, D.C. The building is a large, classical structure with a prominent portico supported by tall, white columns. A wide set of steps leads up to the entrance. In the foreground, there is a circular fountain with water spraying upwards. The sky is a clear, deep blue. The text "Our Courts Claimed We Were A Christian Nation" is overlaid in white, sans-serif font across the middle of the image.


# Our Courts Claimed We Were A Christian Nation



# Holy Trinity v. United States, 1892

- U.S. Supreme Court stated in the 1892 case of Church of the Holy Trinity v. United States, written by Justice David Josiah Brewer (143 U.S. 457-458, 465-471, 36 L ed 226):
- “This is a religious people. This is historically true. From the discovery of this continent to the present hour, there is a single voice making this affirmation ...”





# Christopher Columbus' Commission

The Supreme Court continued:

- “The commission to Christopher Columbus ... (recited) that ‘it is hoped that by God’s assistance some of the continents and islands in the ocean will be discovered’ ...



A portrait of Sir Walter Raleigh, a man with a beard and mustache, wearing a white ruffled collar and a dark, heavily embroidered doublet with gold and red details. He is holding a white cloth tied in a bow. The background is dark, with a framed picture visible in the upper left corner.

# Sir Walter Raleigh's Purpose

- ... The first colonial grant made to Sir Walter Raleigh in 1584 ... and the grant authorizing him to enact statutes for the government of the proposed colony provided 'that they be not against the true Christian faith' ...



# Virginia's Charter

The first charter of Virginia, granted by King James I in 1606 ... commenced the grant in these words:

**'... in propagating of Christian Religion to such People as yet live in Darkness... Language of similar import may be found in the subsequent charters of that colony ... in 1609 and 1611; and the same is true of the various charters granted to the other colonies.**

**In language more or less emphatic is the establishment of the Christian religion declared to be one of the purposes of the grant.**



## The Pilgrim's Purpose in the Mayflower Compact

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The compact made by the Pilgrims in the Mayflower, 1620, states:

‘Having undertaken for the Glory of God, and advancement of the Christian faith ... a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia’ ...





# Connecticut's Purpose

- ... The fundamental orders of Connecticut, under which a provisional government was instituted in 1638-1639, commence with this declaration:
- '... And well knowing where a people are gathered together the word of God requires that to maintain the peace and union ... there should be an orderly and decent government established according to God ... to maintain and preserve the liberty and purity of the gospel of our Lord Jesus which we now profess ... of the said gospel is now practiced amongst us.'

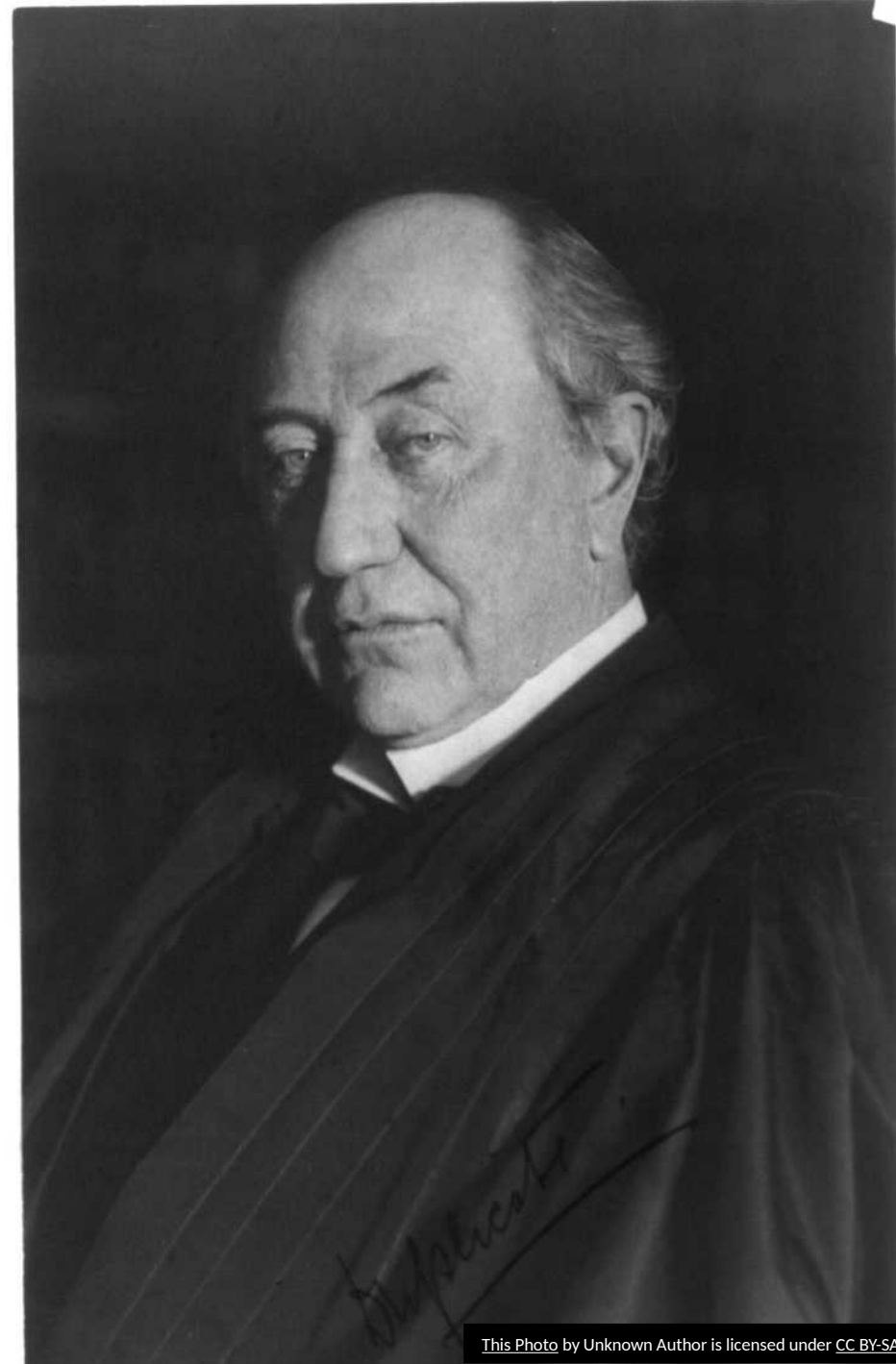
# Pennsylvania's Charter

- ... In the charter of privileges granted by William Penn to the province of Pennsylvania, in 1701, it is recited:
- '... no people can be truly happy, though under the greatest enjoyment of civil liberties, if abridged of ... their religious profession and worship ...'
- Coming nearer to the present time, the Declaration of Independence recognizes the presence of the Divine in human affairs in these words:
- 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights ...
- appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions ...
- And for the support of this Declaration, with firm reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor' ...
- These declarations ... reaffirm that this is a religious nation."



# Christianity Basis for Common Law

- Justice Brewer continued in *Church of the Holy Trinity v. United States*:
- “While because of a general recognition of this truth the question has seldom been presented to the courts, yet we find that in *Updegraph v. The Commonwealth*, it was decided that,
- ‘Christianity, general Christianity, is, and always has been, a part of the common law ... not Christianity with an established church ... but Christianity with liberty of conscience to all men.’







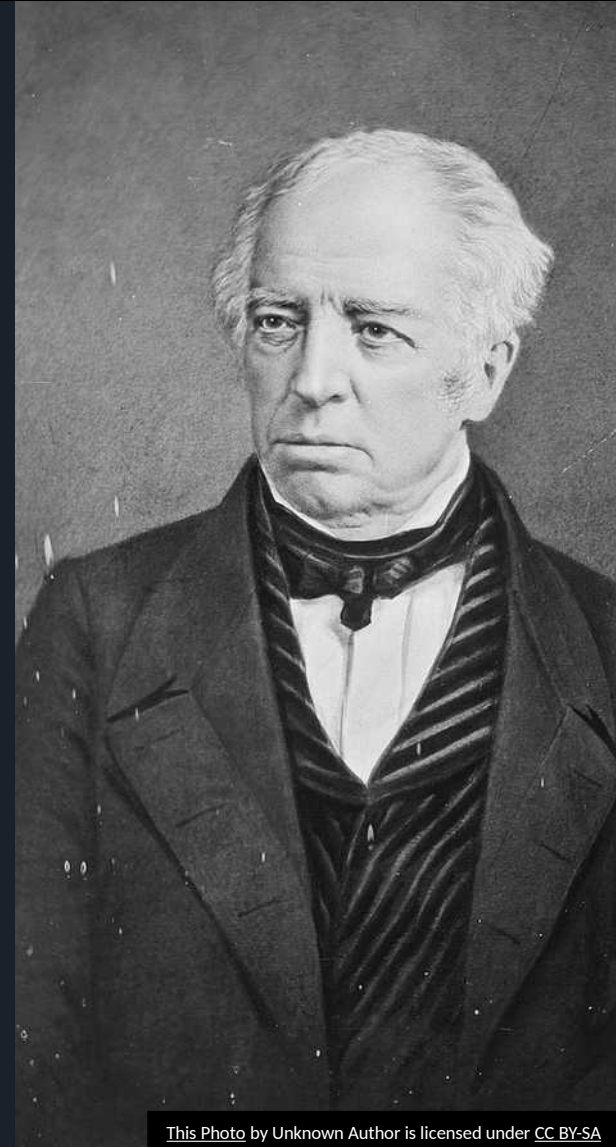
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## State of New York for Jesus

... And in *The People v. Ruggles*, Chancellor Kent, the great commentator on American law, speaking as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New York, said:

‘The people of this State, in common with the people of this country, profess the general doctrines of Christianity, as the rule of their faith and practice ...

We are a Christian people, and the morality of the country is deeply engrafted upon Christianity, and not upon the doctrines or worship of those impostors.’



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- In 1838, the New York State Legislature wrote:
- “With us it is wisely ordered that no one religion shall be established by law, but that all persons shall be left free in their choice and in their mode of worship.
- Still, this is a Christian nation. Ninety-nine hundredths, if not a larger proportion, of our whole population, believe in the general doctrines of the Christian religion.
- Our Government depends for its being on the virtue of the people, – on that virtue that has its foundation in the morality of the Christian religion.”



# Pennsylvania

... And in the famous case of *Vidal v. Girard's Executors* (1844) this Court ... observed:

'It is also said, and truly, that the Christian religion is a part of the common law of Pennsylvania' ...

If we pass beyond these matters to a view of American life as expressed by its laws, its business, its customs and its society, we find everywhere a clear recognition of the same truth.

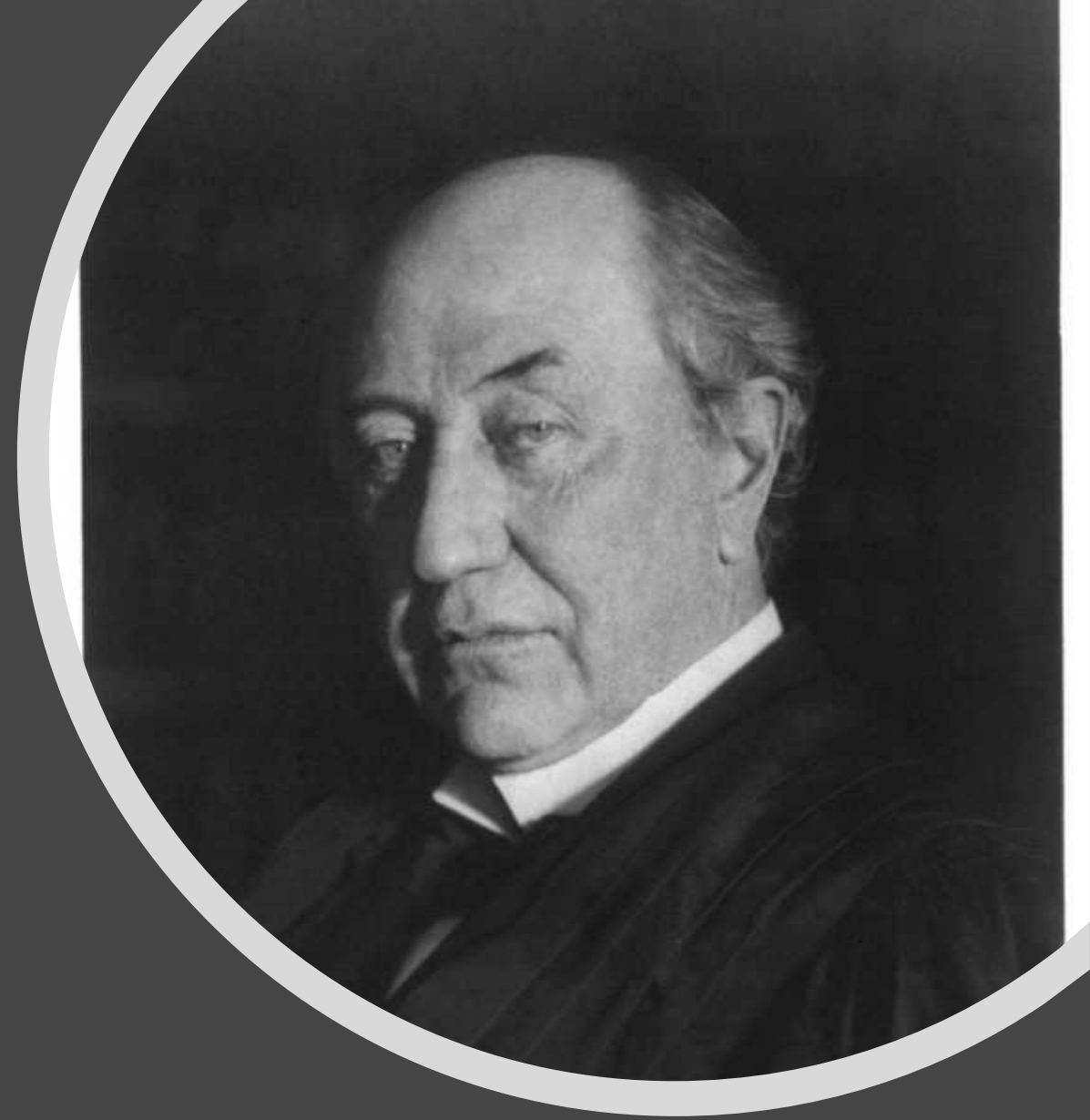
Among other matters note the following:

The form of oath universally prevailing, concluding with an appeal to the Almighty;

the custom of opening sessions of all deliberative bodies and most conventions with prayer;

the prefatory words of all wills, 'In the name of God, amen';

the laws respecting the observance of the Sabbath, with the general cessation of all secular business, and the closing of courts, legislatures, and other similar public assemblies on that day;





# Christianity Throughout the USA

- the churches and church organizations which abound in every city, town and hamlet;
- the multitude of charitable organizations existing everywhere under Christian auspices;
- the gigantic missionary associations, with general support, and aiming to establish Christian missions in every quarter of the globe.
- These, and many other matters which might be noticed, add a volume of unofficial declarations to the mass of organic utterances that this is a Christian nation ...”





# Massachusetts Constitution

Justice Brewer continued:

“Or like that in articles 2 and 3 of part 1 of the constitution of Massachusetts, (1780)

... ‘It is the right as well as the duty of all men in society publicly, and at stated seasons, to worship the Supreme Being, the great Creator and Preserver of the universe ...

As the happiness of a people and the good order and preservation of civil government essentially depend upon piety, religion, and morality, and as these cannot be generally diffused through a community but by the institution of the public worship of God and of public instructions in piety, religion, and morality:

Therefore, to promote their happiness, and to secure the good order and preservation of their government, the people of this commonwealth ...

authorize ... the several towns, parishes, precincts ... to make suitable provision ... for the institution of the public worship of God and for the support and maintenance of public Protestant teachers of piety, religion, and morality ...'”



# Mississippi Constitution

Brewer added:

“Or, as in sections 5 and 14 of article 7 of the Constitution of Mississippi, (1832:)

‘No person who denies the being of a God, or a future state of rewards and punishments, shall hold any office in the civil department of this state ...

Religion morality, and knowledge being necessary to good government, the preservation of liberty, and the happiness of mankind, schools, and the means of education, shall forever be encouraged in this state.’

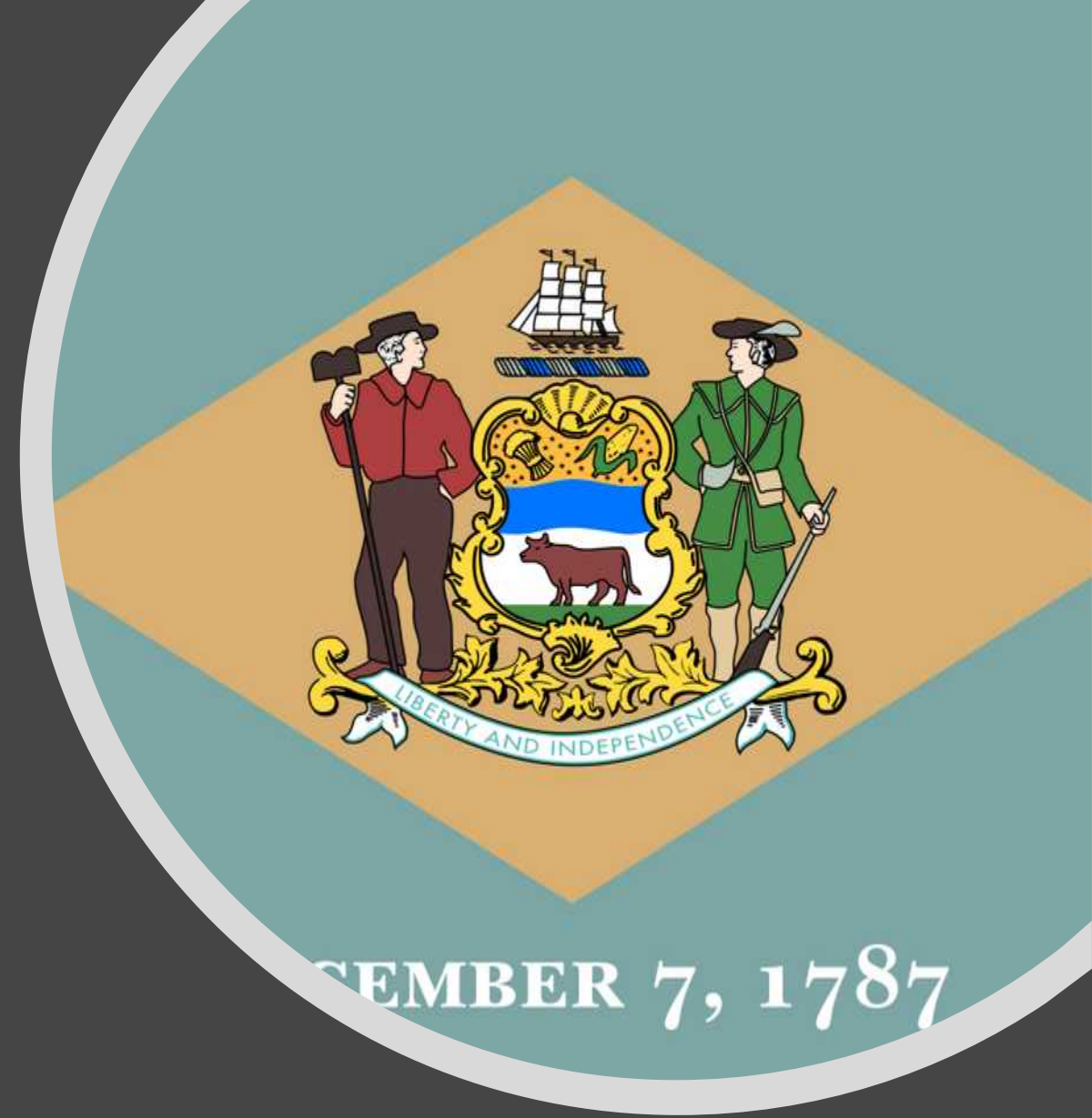




# Delaware Constitution

... Or by article 22 of the Constitution of Delaware, (1776) which required all officers, besides an oath of allegiance, to make and subscribe the following declaration:

'I, A.B., do profess faith in God the Father, and in Jesus Christ His only Son, and in the Holy Ghost, one God, blessed for evermore; and I do acknowledge the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be given by divine inspiration.'"





# A Christian Nation

In his work, **The United States-A Christian Nation**, published in Philadelphia by the John C. Winston Company, 1905, Justice David Josiah Brewer wrote:

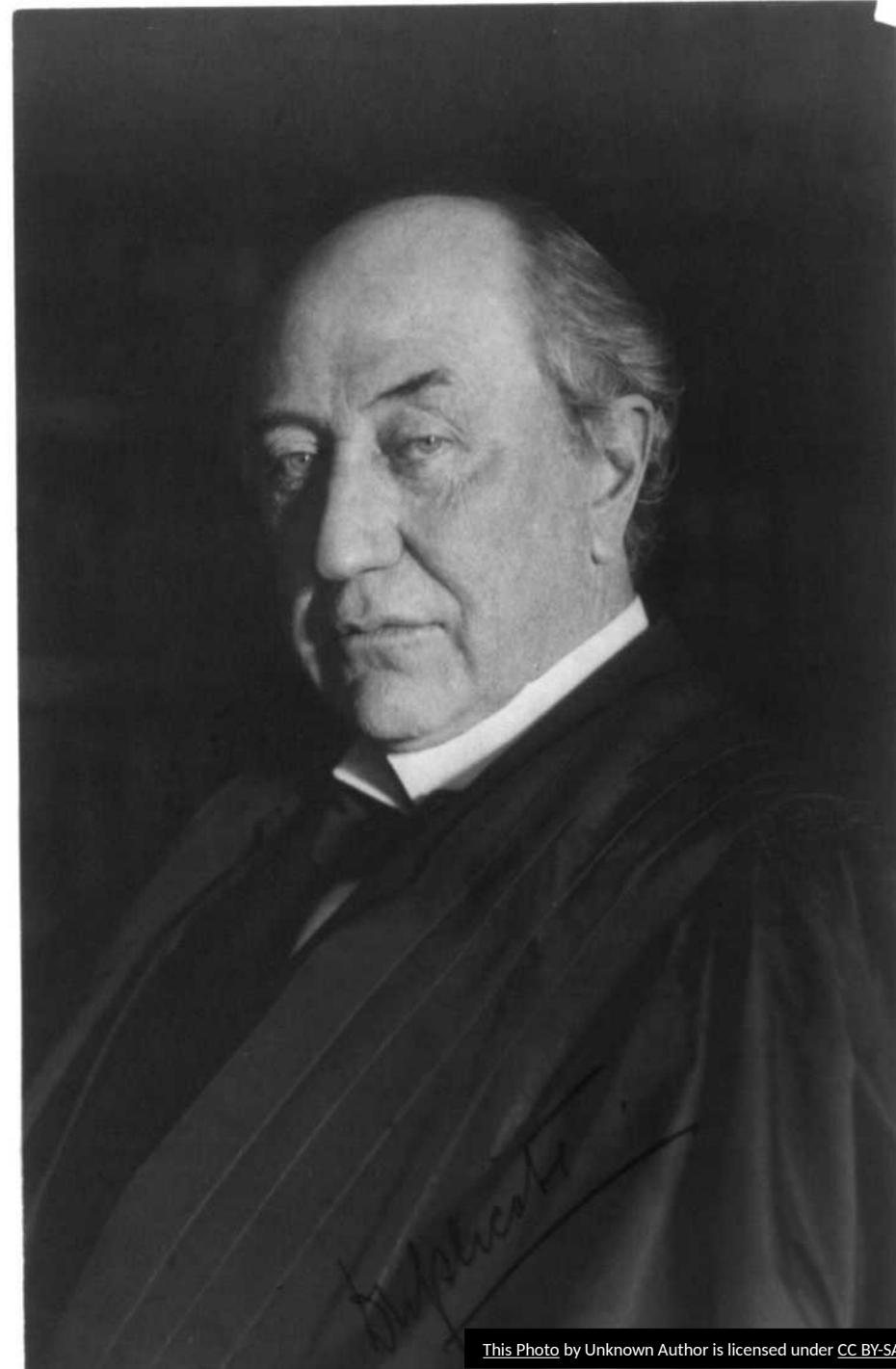
“We classify nations in various ways. As, for instance, by their form of government.

One is a kingdom, another an empire, and still another a republic.

Also by race. Great Britain is an Anglo-Saxon nation, France a Gallic, Germany a Teutonic, Russia a Slav.

And still again by religion. One is a Mohammedan nation, others are heathen, and still others are Christian nations.

This republic is classified among the Christian nations of the World. It was so formally declared by the Supreme Court of the United States ...”



“We constantly speak of this republic as a Christian nation in fact, as the leading Christian nation of the world.

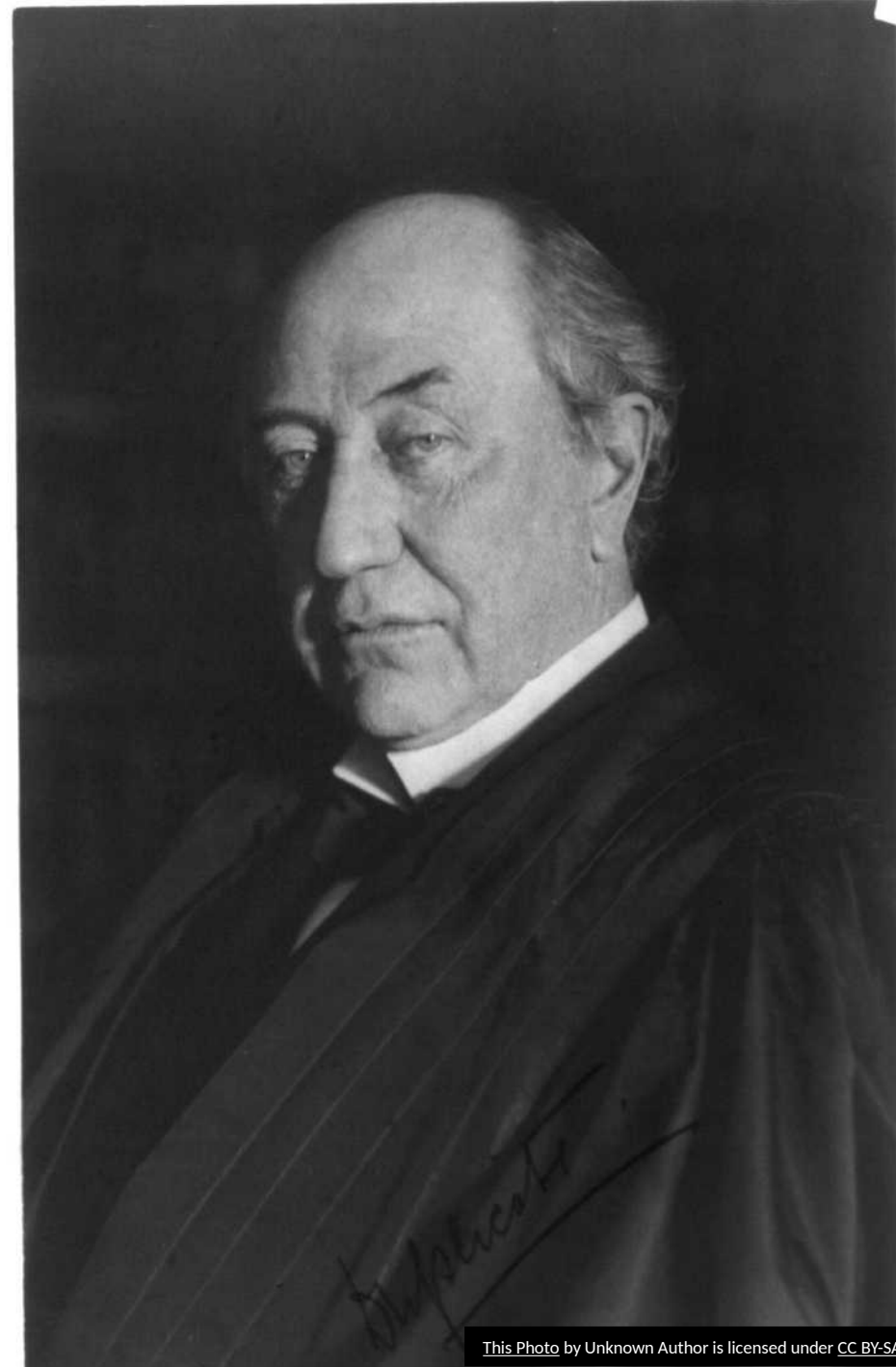
This popular use of the term certainly has significance ...

In no charter or constitution is there anything to even suggest that any other than the Christian is the religion of this country.

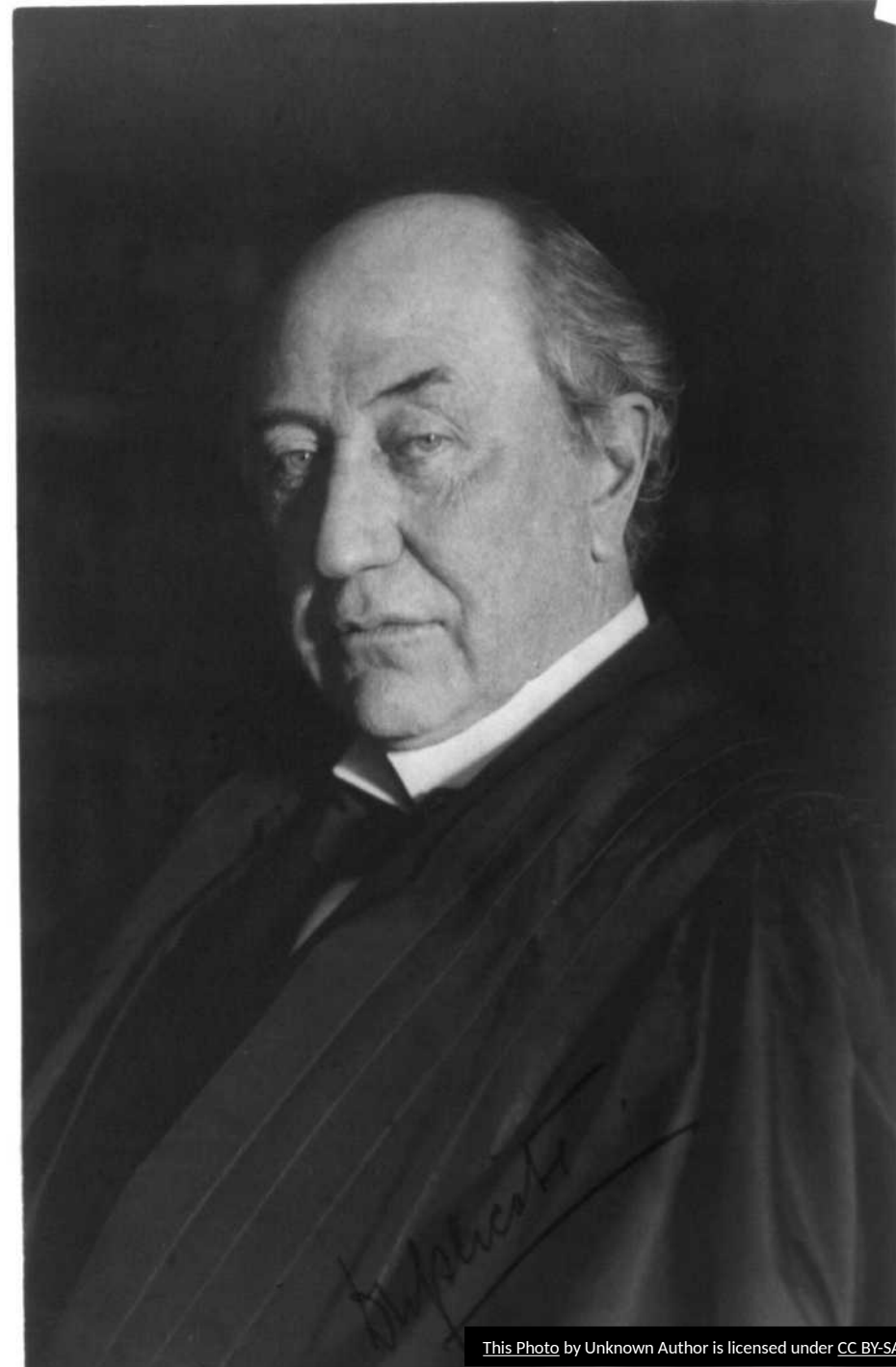
In none of them is Mohammed or Confucius or Buddha in any manner noticed.

In none of them is Judaism recognized other than by way of toleration of its special creed ...”

Justice David Josiah Brewer



- “Our laws and our institutions must necessarily be based upon and embody the teachings of The Redeemer of mankind. It is impossible that it should be otherwise; and in this sense and to this extent our civilization and our institutions are emphatically Christian...This is a Christian nation”
  - *United States Supreme Court Decision in Church of the Holy Trinity v. United States, 1892*





Justice Brewer concluded:

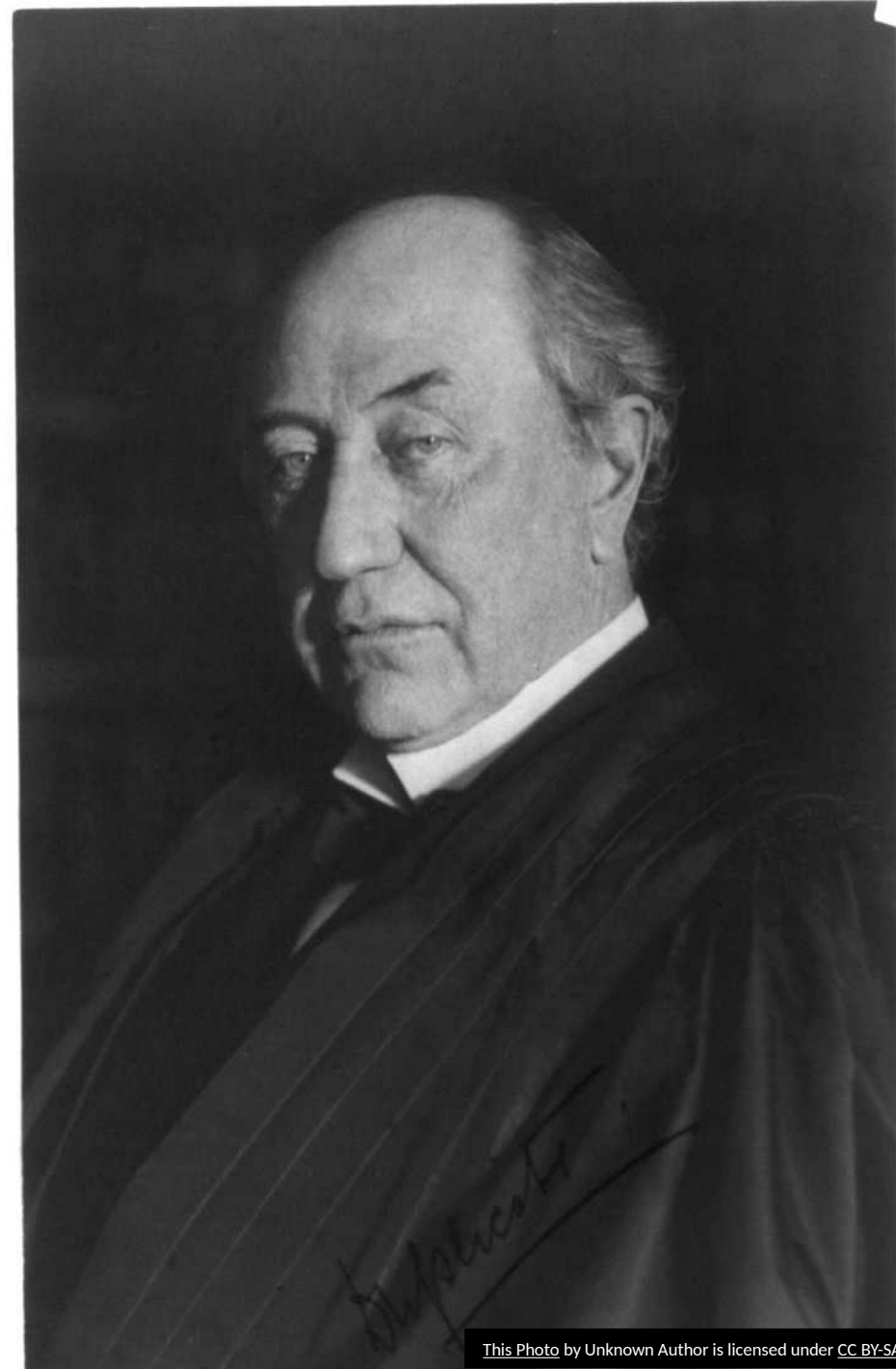
“While the separation of church and state is often affirmed, there is nowhere a repudiation of Christianity as one of the institutions as well as benedictions of society.

In short, there is no charter or constitution that is either infidel, agnostic, or anti-Christian.

Wherever there is a declaration in favor of any religion it is of the Christian ...

I could show how largely our laws and customs are based upon the laws of Moses and the teachings of Christ;

how constantly the Bible is appealed to as the guide of life and the authority in question of morals.”



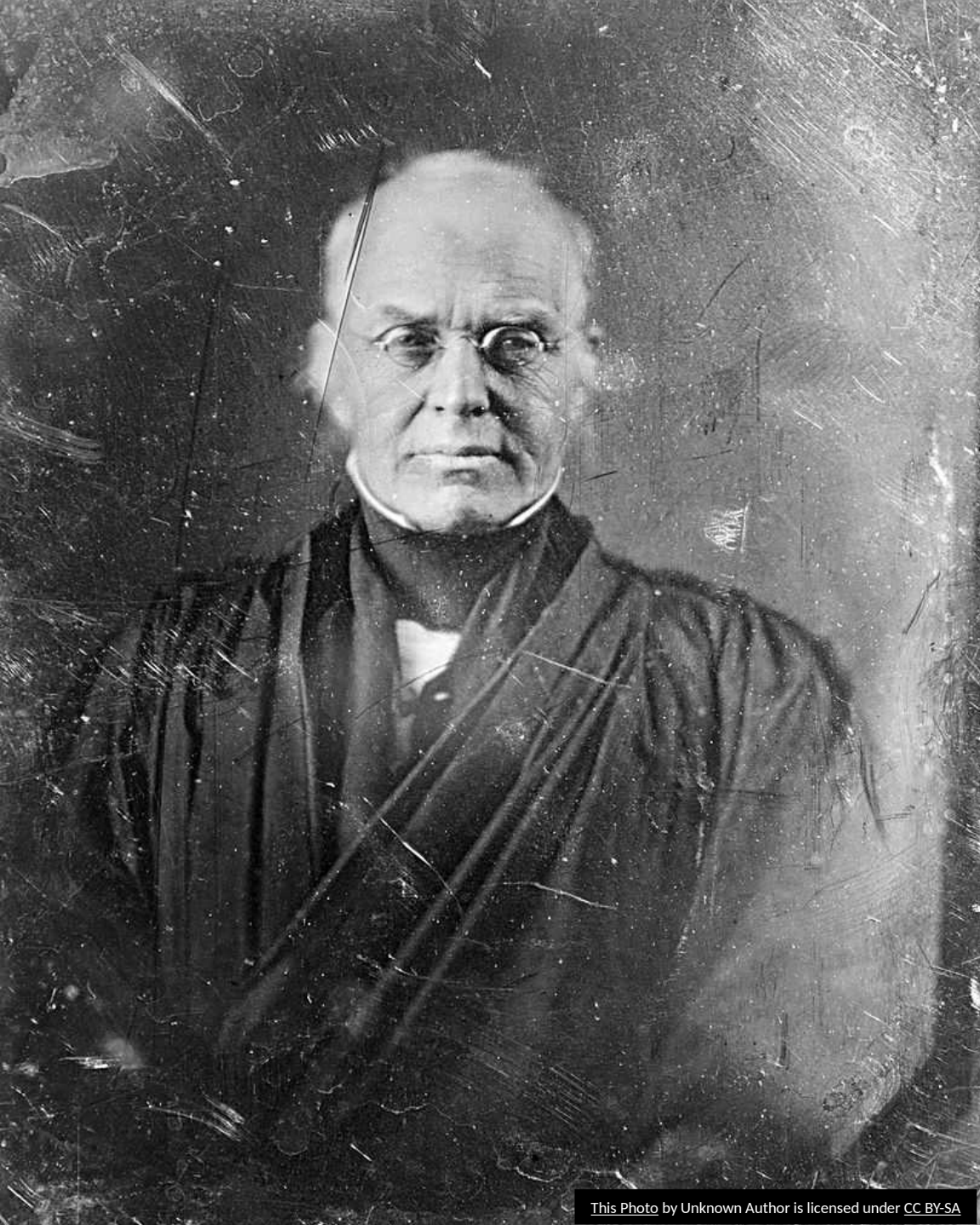


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# John Jay

**“Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty, as well as the privilege and interest, of our Christian nation to select and prefer Christians for their rulers.”**

*– John Jay, First Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court*



# Joseph Story

- “I verily believe Christianity necessary to the support of civil society. One of the beautiful boasts of our municipal jurisprudence is that Christianity is a part of the Common Law ... There never has been a period in which the Common Law did not recognize Christianity as lying its foundations.”
- – *Supreme Court Justice Joseph Story, Harvard Speech, 1829*



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# George Washington

**“My ears hear with pleasure the other matters you mention. Congress will be glad to hear them too. You do well to wish to learn our arts and ways of life, and above all, the religion of Jesus Christ. These will make you a greater and happier people than you are. Congress will do everything they can to assist you in this wise intention; and to tie the knot of friendship and union so fast, that nothing shall ever be able to loose it.**

**– George Washington, speech to the Delaware Indian Chiefs,  
May 12, 1779.**





**Let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle.**

**It is substantially true that virtue or morality is a necessary spring of popular government. ... Can it be that Providence has not connected the permanent felicity of a nation with its virtue?**

**– George Washington, Farewell Address 1796**





# John Adams

**“As the safety and prosperity of nations ultimately and essentially depend on the protection and the blessing of Almighty God, and the national acknowledgment of this truth is not only an indispensable duty which the people owe to Him.”**

**Statesmen... may plan and speculate for Liberty, but it is Religion and Morality alone, which can establish the Principles upon which Freedom can securely stand.**

*– John Adams*





# John Quincy Adams

- “The Declaration of Independence laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity.”
- “The highest glory of the American Revolution was this: it connected, in one indissoluble bond, the principles of civil government with the principles of Christianity.”

– *John Quincy Adams*



# Thomas Jefferson

**“God who gave us life gave us liberty. Can the liberties of a nation be secure when we have removed a conviction that these liberties are the gift of God? Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, that His justice cannot sleep forever.”**

**“The Christian religion is the best religion that has ever been given to man”**

*– Thomas Jefferson, Jefferson Memorial*





- “This nation under God”

*Gettysburg Address and on Lincoln Memorial*

- “And whereas it is the duty of nations as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God ... and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord.”

– Abraham Lincoln

# Written on the Washington Monument

- “Holiness to the Lord” (Exodus 28:26, 30:30, Isaiah 23:18, Zechariah 14:20)
- “Search the Scriptures” (John 5:39)
- “The memory of the just is blessed” (Proverbs 10:7)
- “May Heaven to this Union continue its beneficence”
- “In God We Trust”
- “Praise be to God” (engraved on the monument’s capstone in Latin as “Laus Deo”)





# William Taft

- President William Taft stated December 6, 1912:
- “We are a world power ...
- Our responsibilities in the Pacific and the Atlantic ... require us ... to clothe ourselves with sufficient naval power ... to give weight to our influence in those directions of progress that a powerful Christian nation should advocate.”



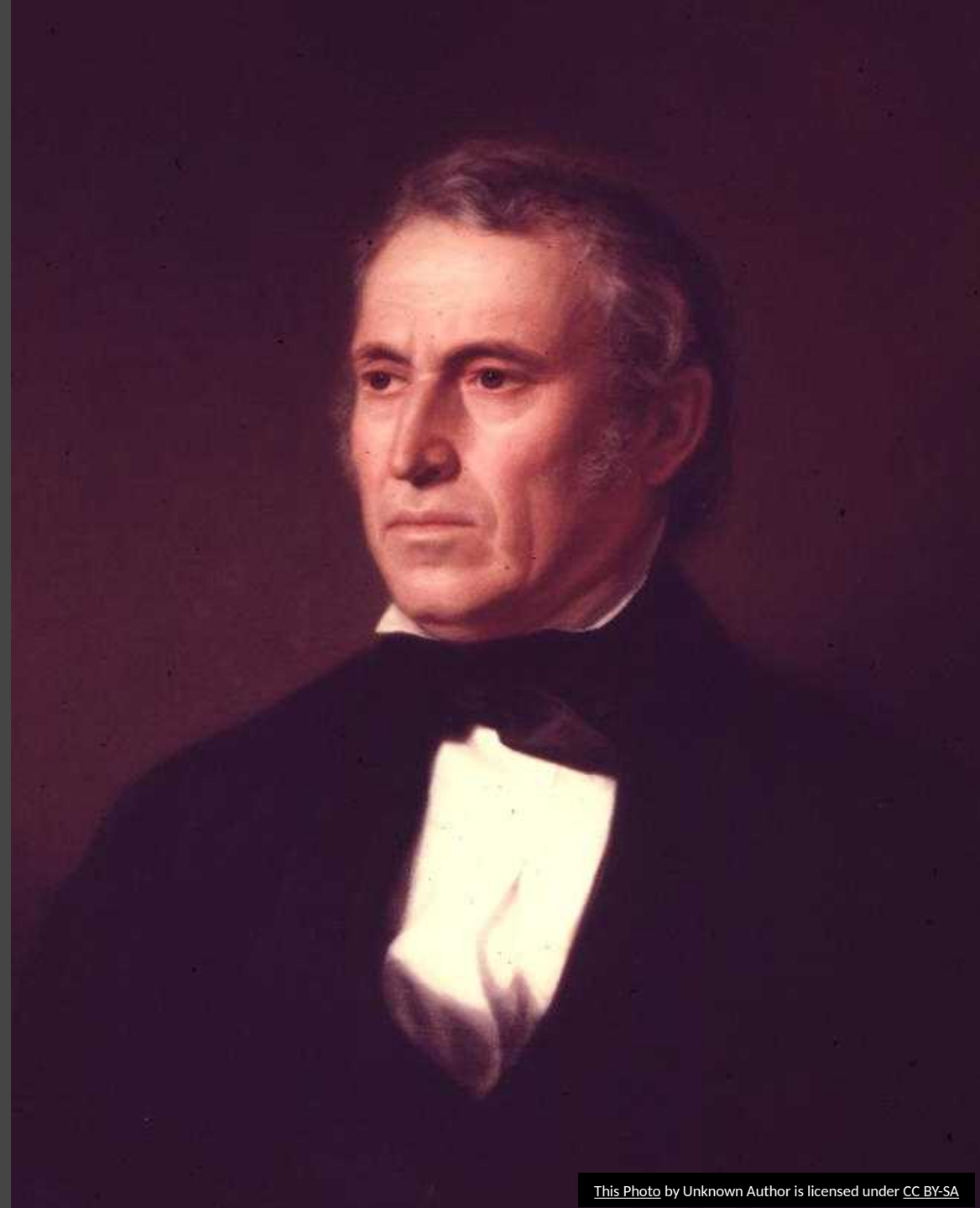


# John Tyler

- When President William Henry Harrison died in office, the next President, John Tyler declared a National Day of Fasting, stating April 13, 1841:
- “When a Christian people feel themselves to be overtaken by a great public calamity, it becomes them to humble themselves under the dispensation of Divine Providence.”

# Zachary Taylor

- During a cholera epidemic in which 150,000 Americans died, President Zachary Taylor declared a National Day of Fasting.
- New Jersey Governor Daniel Haines issued supportive proclamation, published in the Paterson Intelligencer, August 1, 1849:
- “Whereas the President ... inconsideration of the prevailing pestilence, has set ... a Day of Fasting ... and whereas I believe that the people of this State recognize the obligations of a Christian nation publicly to acknowledge their dependence upon Almighty God ..... that ... they assemble ... with humble confession of sin ... and ... implore the Almighty Ruler of the Universe, to remove us from the scourge ... and ... restore to us the inestimable blessing of health.”



# Ronald Reagan

To preserve our blessed land we must look to God... It is time to realize that we need God more than He needs us... We also have His promise that we could take to heart with regard to our country, that "If my people, which are called by my name shall humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

Let us, young and old, join together, as did the First Continental Congress, in the first step, in humble heartfelt prayer. Let us do so for the love of God and His great goodness, in search of His guidance and the grace of repentance, in seeking His blessings, His peace, and the resting of His kind and holy hands on ourselves, our nation, our friends in the defense of freedom, and all mankind, now and always. The time has come to turn to God and reassert our trust in Him for the healing of America...

Our country is in need of and ready for a spiritual renewal. Today, we utter no prayer more fervently than the ancient prayer for peace on Earth. If I had a prayer for you today, among those that have all been uttered, it is that one we're so familiar with: "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace...." And God bless you all.





# John F. Kennedy

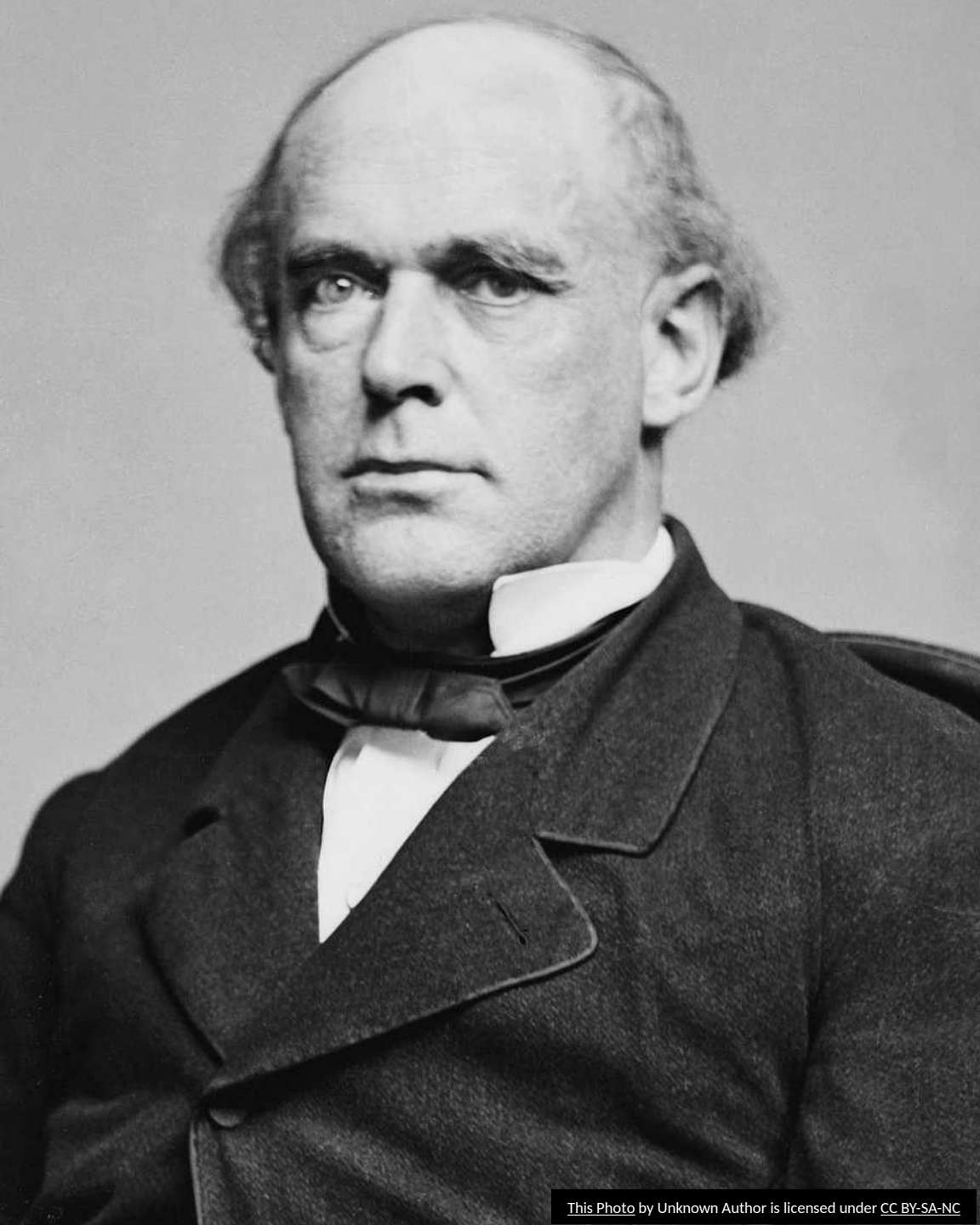
- President John F. Kennedy was inaugurated in 1961.
- The same year, he sent a greeting to President Quadros of Brazil, January 31, 1961:
- “Once in every twenty years presidential inaugurations in your country and mine occur within days of each other ...
- To each of us is entrusted the heavy responsibility of guiding the affairs of a democratic nation founded on Christian ideals.”





# Francis Scott Key

- Francis Scott Key addressed the Washington Society of Alexandria, March 22, 1814:
- “The patriot who feels himself in the service of God ... will therefore seek to establish for his country in the eyes of the world, such a character as shall make her not unworthy of the name of a Christian nation.”



# Salmon P. Chase

- Treasury Secretary Salmon P. Chase, who Lincoln later appointed Chief Justice, assigned Director of the U.S. Mint James Pollock, former Governor of Pennsylvania, with the task of adding “In God We Trust” to the two cent coin.
- James Pollock’s Report was printed by U.S. Department of the Treasury, 1863, page 190-191:
- “We claim to be a **Christian nation** — why should we not vindicate our character by honoring the God of Nations ...
- Our national coinage should do this. Its legends and devices should declare our trust in God – in Him who is ‘King of Kings and Lord of Lords’ ...
- The motto suggested, ‘God our Trust,’ is taken from our National Hymn, the ‘Star-Spangled Banner.’”



## Our Only Hope

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“God likes to see His people shut up to this, that there is no hope but in prayer. Herein lies the Church’s power against the world.”

— Andrew Bonar

