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California resolution admonishes anyone who doesn't affirm homosexuality and transgenderism











On Monday, the California state Assembly <u>passed</u> ACR 99, a resolution offering several opinions about the LGBTQ community and then concluding by asking religious leaders with "moral influence" to affirm homosexuality and transgenderism. The bill throws aside religious liberty and targets religious people and organizations under the guise that failure to agree with the LGBTQ lifestyle could cause "suicide and depression," falsely placing blame where there shouldn't be, in addition to several other bogus ideas.

The text of the resolution includes repeated philosophical and practical statements about human sexuality: "The California State Legislature has found that being lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender (LGBTQ) is not a disease, disorder, illness, deficiency, or shortcoming," but most of the bill outlines the aversion the state Assembly supposedly has to "conversion therapy":

JUDGE: SPLC'S LABELING OF D. JAMES KENNEDY MINISTRIES AS A HATE GROUP IS PROTECTED BY THE FIRST **AMENDMENT**

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. - Senior U.S. District Court Judge Myron Thompson dismissed a case filed against the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) for listing the anti-LGBTQ D. James Kennedy Ministries as a hate group.

Thompson's ruling issued late Thursday evening fully adopts Federal Magistrate Judge



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Pope to launch global educational pact next year











ROME - Pope Francis is inviting world leaders and young people to come together at the Vatican on May 14, 2020, for a an event called "Reinventing the Global Educational Alliance."

"Never before has there been such need to unite our efforts in a broad educational alliance, to form mature individuals capable of overcoming division and antagonism, and to restore the fabric of relationships for the sake of a more fraternal humanity," Francis wrote in the message announcing the initiative, released by the Vatican's press office on Thursday.

According to Francis, education today clashes with a process of "rapidification" that traps human existence in a "whirlwind of high-speed technology and computerization, continually altering our points of reference." As a result, human identity loses "its solidity," he wrote.

According to an African proverb, Francis wrote, "it takes a whole village to educate a child." When it comes to education, that village still needs to be created, beginning by clearing the ground of "discrimination," and fraternity "must be allowed to flourish."

According to the pope, this not only includes teachers, students and their families, but wider civil society, including science, sports, politics, and charitable organizations.

'An alliance, in other words, between the earth's inhabitants and our 'common home', which we are bound to care for and respect," Francis wrote. "An alliance that generates peace, justice and hospitality among all peoples of the human family, as well as dialogue between religions."

In addition to the May 14 meeting in the Vatican's Paul VI Audience Hall, Francis said that a number of seminars on related topics will take place in other locations to prepare for the event.

"I invite everyone to work for this alliance and to be committed, individually and within our communities, to nurturing the dream of a humanism rooted in solidarity and responsive both to humanity's aspirations and to God's plan," Francis wrote.

According to a statement from the Congregation for Catholic Education, the initiative is a response to a request that came during several meetings Francis had with different personalities of "various cultures and religious affiliations."

The statement said the fifth anniversary of the environmental encyclical Laudato Si' was an "ideal platform" to launch the event.





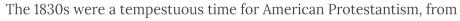
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Charles Coulombe 9 January, 2020



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the fires of the Second Great Awakening to the ongoing march of Unitarianism. Adding to the general excitement, a self-described biblical



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change the Church ever did, happened in the first century. The holy day, the Sabbath, was changed from Saturday to Sunday. "The Day of the Lord" (dies Dominica) was chosen, not from any directions noted in the Scriptures, but from the Church's sense of its own power. The day of resurrection, the day of Pentecost, fifty days later, came on the first day of the week. So this would be the new Sabbath. People who think that the Scriptures should be the sole authority, should logically become 7th Day Adventists, and keep Saturday holy.

With a long long period of practice and reflection, Church law developed and changed with changing circumstances. It takes a fair amount of wisdom and study to know in detail the various Church laws. The latest revision of our Catholic Church law took place about 15 years ago, some time after the Vatican Council.

A Note From the Editors of Mary OnLine+ December 2003

The challenge issued by Rome over 100 years ago remains: Either the Catholic Church is right, or the Seventh Day Adventists are right. There can be no other choice. And if one choose neither, then the whole doctrine of Sola Scriptura collapses, and with it, the pillar upon which all of Protestantism stands.

(www. Immaculateheart.com/maryonline December 2003)

- The Question Before Us Now -

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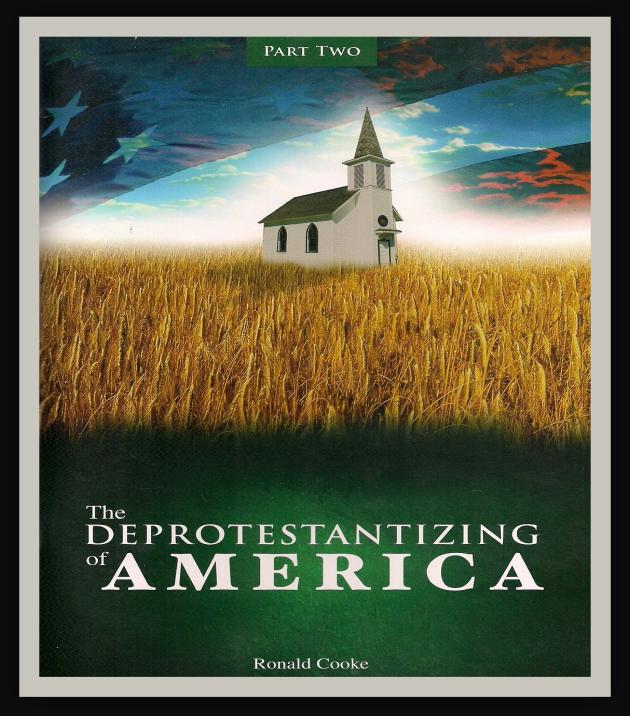
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Clifford Goldstein: General Editor of SDA Sabbath School Quarterly

From the book: The Remnant

"Never mind that many members are not following that light (they did not in Israel), or that these truths aren't sanctifying many(they did not in Israel), or that these truths are not appreciated (they weren't in Israel), or that the nasty and unconverted give the message a bad name at every turn (they did in Israel as well).

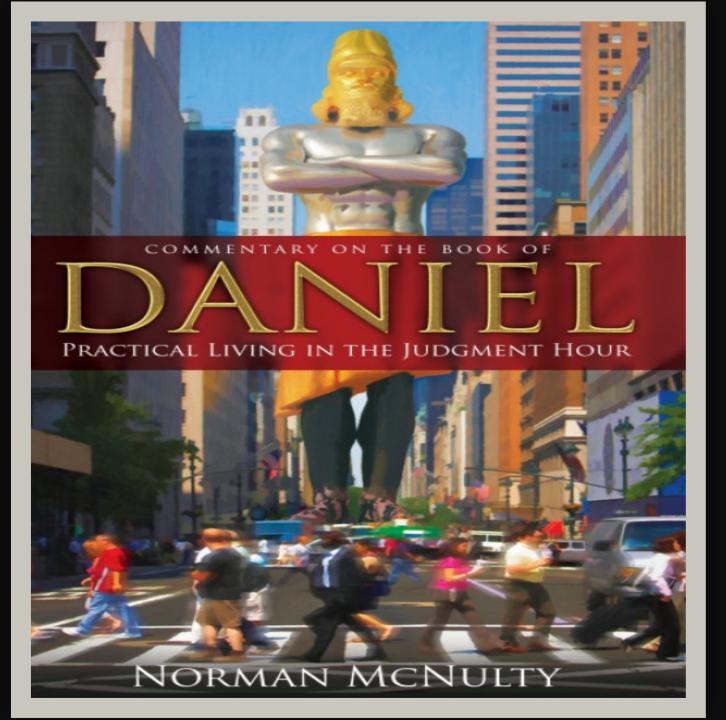
What's crucial is that the Seventh-day Adventist

Church, like ancient Israel, has been given far more

light than any other faith, and that light alone gives it

corporate remnant status."

(The Remnant, Pacific Press, Boise, ID: 1994, pp. 78-79)



Troublous times are before us. You may yet be tested, your faith tried. Commotions in the nation will bring such scenes in the world as we have heretofore been strangers to.

Letter 7, 1868

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The greatest want of the world is the want of men—

Men who will not be bought or sold,

Men who in their inmost souls are true and honest,

Men who do not fear to call sin by its right name,

Men whose conscience as true to duty

as the needle to the pole,

Men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall.

But such a character is not the result of accident; it is not due to special favors or endowments of Providence. A noble character is the result of self-discipline, of the subjection of the lower to the higher nature—the surrender of self for the service of love to God and man.

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- The Breastplate of Righteousness -

We must put on every piece of the armor, and then stand firm. The Lord has honored us by choosing us as His soldiers. Let us fight bravely for Him, maintaining the right in every transaction. Rectitude in all things is essential to the welfare of the soul. As you may for the victory over your own inclinations, He will help you by His Holy Spirit to be circumspect in every action, that you may give no occasion for the enemy to speak evil of the truth. Put on as your breastplate that divinely protected righteousness which it is the privilege of all to wear. This will

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