Subject: "...under God" Posted by Nukelt15 on Mon, 10 Jan 2005 17:17:29 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Quote:"separation of church and state" isn't in the Constitution or any law. It was merely a theory presented and related to the founding of our governmental structure.

Frankly, the thought of living in any country where church and state are not separated scares me (and the entire world is shaping up to be one scary place to live in, the way things are going). Government, especially in a nation such as the US, can not be the lapdog of one particular religion- that would exclude all others (read that: millions of people), and lead to those groups feeling like outsiders to the rest of the country. One needs only look at history to see that government based on religion is the one sure path to oppression, and if left in place long enough, genocide.

There are common ideals and morals which all people share; those are what government should be based on. Religion has its place; that place is to govern the actions and beliefs of the individual who believes in that religion. It has no place in determining what is right or wrong for people who may be of other, different religions.

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