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Duncan Hunter: Israel Shouldn't Give an Inch - "not one inch" of disputed territory to the Arabs in exchange for pledges of peace

If he becomes president, Rep. Duncan Hunter says he will continue to hold the position that Israel should surrender "not one inch" of disputed territory to the Arabs in exchange for pledges of peace. Addressing a Christian Zionist meeting in Alexandria, Va., Sunday evening, the California Republican recalled a visit with his father to the Golan Heights, where they viewed a narrow valley where a small number of Israeli tanks had held off more than 1,400 Soviet-built Syrian tanks during the 1973 Yom Kippur War. Hunter, a Vietnam veteran and former chairman and current ranking minority member of the House Armed Services Committee, said he had vowed then that he would always support what he called that "postage stamp of a country." ... Sunday's program, entitled a Night to Honor Israel, was sponsored by The Jerusalem Connection International under the auspices of Christians United for Israel (CUFI), an organization founded last year by San Antonio, Texas, pastor John Hagee.

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/ic/2007/5/22/93841.shtml

*Through the Bible Teachings - Part of the '4000' Series - C4001 - C4106 (Free - Mp3's)

Join Pastor Chuck Smith as he goes through the entire Bible one verse at a time.

http://www.calvarychapel.com/?show=Resources.AudioMessages&PastorID=1

MySpace will turn over names of sex offenders - "This is no different than an offline community," he said. "We're trying to keep it safe"

RALEIGH, North Carolina (AP) -- MySpace.com will provide a number of state attorneys general with data on registered sex offenders who use the popular social networking Web site, the company said Monday. Attorneys general from eight states demanded last week that the company provide data on how many registered sex offenders are using the site and where they live. MySpace initially refused, citing federal privacy laws. ... Angus said the company, owned by media conglomerate News Corp. had always planned to share information on sex offenders it identified and has already removed about 7,000 profiles out of a total of about 180 million. "This is no different than an offline community," he said. "We're trying to keep it safe"

http://www.cnn.com/2007/TECH/internet/05/21/myspace.sex.offenders.ap/index.html

The ABC Atheist Debate - Welcome to the Official Channel of The Way of the Master with Kirk

Cameron and Ray Comfort! {It's odd how Atheists will 'allow' in their opinion anything to exist, themselves, UFOs, aliens, angels, spirits, leprechauns, even demons and Satan. Yet the one 'being' Not allowed to exist according to Atheists is the Living, Loving, Caring, Creator, God Himself.} {I applaud Ray and Kirk 100%. I have been to several debates where Jesus is hardly mentioned by the Christian, if you don't present Jesus, then what is the point? Jesus-God has ALL the Answers not man!} (31+ Debate Video Clips)

Our primary goal in doing the debate was to preach the gospel to the countless people who would be watching in their homes, because it is the gospel that is "the power of God unto salvation" (see Romans 1:16). I have noticed that often Christian apologists present wonderful arguments at debates that sweep the floor with their opponents, but they fail to preach "Christ and Him crucified." So our strategy was that we would first present clear and solid evidence of God's existence through creation (Romans 1:20 says that creation is what leaves the world without excuse), and then focus on preaching the moral Law and the gospel. Again, our primary goal was to preach the gospel and then (where possible) support our preaching with apologetics, reason, logic, with a loving demeanor. That is what we tried to do.

http://www.youtube.com/thewayofthemaster

Democratically-Controlled Congress Capitulates to Bush's War of Perpetuity - I will say it again, as I did in my last article, the Democrats do not wish to end, nor reign in Bush, the war or his de facto expanded powers; they wish to possess it

All timelines for withdraw are to be removed from the latest legislation. The conciliation is yet another example "proving the posit" that the Democrats do not want to end this war; they were only posturing and prevaricating for the press and the people who elected them. ... What's going on here? Congress is, and has always been, complicit in this war of aggression and inhumane act of senseless death and violence. The Democrat's opposition to Bush's illegal act of hostility was a canard and merely to appease the anti-war advocates for voting them into office. I will say it again, as I did in my last article, the Democrats do not wish to end, nor reign in Bush, the war or his de facto expanded powers; they wish to possess it.

http://www.opednews.com/articles/opedne frank j 070521 no time 2c no spine 21 d.htm

Why The Gonzales Scandal Matters - These prosecutors have enormous power: they can wiretap people's homes, seize property and put people in jail for life - They can destroy businesses, and affect the outcomes of elections

As Monica Goodling, a key player in the United States attorney scandal, prepares to testify before Congress on Wednesday, the administration's strategy is clear. It has offered up implausible excuses, hidden the most damaging evidence and feigned memory lapses, while hoping that the public's attention moves on. But this scandal is too important for the public or Congress to move on. This story should not end until Attorney General Alberto Gonzales is gone, and the serious damage that has been done to the Justice Department is repaired. The Justice Department is no ordinary agency. Its 93 United States attorney offices, scattered across the country, prosecute federal crimes ranging from public corruption to terrorism. These prosecutors have enormous power: they can wiretap people's homes, seize property and put people in jail for life. They can destroy businesses, and affect the outcomes of elections. It has always been understood that although they are appointed by a president, usually from his own party, once in office they must operate in a nonpartisan way, and be insulated from outside pressures.

http://freeinternetpress.com/story.php?sid=11848

e for the Middle East.}">Female Pakistani Tourism Minister Resigns Over Hug - A religious court set up by the clerics at a radical mosque in Islamabad issued a fatwa, or religious edict, against Bakhtiar - Cabinet colleagues and the government appeared to cave in to the demands of the militants {Yet, Bush thinks his war on terror is going well especially in Pakistan - Pakistan is a "Partner Nation" to help Bush win the War and what a victory that will be when Bush does for America and the world what he has done for the Middle East.}

Pakistan's woman tourism minister tendered her resignation today after hardline Islamic clerics accused her of obscenity for hugging her instructor after a charity parachute jump. Nilofar Bakhtiar, the Federal Minister for Tourism, was pictured wearing a brightly coloured jumpsuit and hugging her instructor after a tandem jump to raise money for child victims of the earthquake that struck Pakistan in October 2005. The images provoked the wrath of clerics in Islamabad, who accused Bakhtiar of posing in an obscene manner and violating the Islamic moral norms. ... religious court set up by the clerics at a radical mosque in Islamabad issued a fatwa, or religious edict, against Bakhtiar when the photographs first appeared in local newspapers last month. They urged the government to punish her and fire her from the Cabinet. Bakhtiar failed to win the support of Cabinet colleagues and the government appeared to cave in to the demands of the militants. As she announced her intention to resign today, Bakhtiar complained of a campaign of intimidation against her.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,274355,00.html

Indonesian Fisherman Catches Rare Ancient Fish - a "living fossil" - The coelacanth was believed to be extinct for 65 million years until one was found in 1938 off Africa's coast {How can something that was caught alive and well on Saturday be called 'Ancient' - Obviously not extinct, or millions of years old, or even evolved. Why is evolution science so consistently wrong in so many areas? When will science get it? Biblical creation is where the Truth is at!}

JAKARTA, Indonesia - An Indonesian fisherman hooked a rare coelacanth, a species once thought as extinct as dinosaurs, and briefly kept the "living fossil" alive in a quarantined pool. Justinus Lahama caught the four-foot, 110-pound fish early Saturday off Sulawesi island near Bunaken National Marine Park, which has some of the highest marine biodiversity in the world. The fish died 17 hours later, an extraordinary survival time, marine biologist Lucky Lumingas said Sunday. ... The coelacanth (pronounced see-la-kanth) was believed to be extinct for 65 million years until one was found in 1938 off Africa's coast, igniting worldwide interest. Several other specimens have since been discovered, including another off Sulawesi island in 1998.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,274146,00.html

McCain Goes Nuts Near Senate Floor - Reportedly, the shouting match was played out in front of a bipartisan group of senators and aides who had gathered in the meeting room {What exactly are the chances that the Republican leaders can mature and successfully lead our Nation? Probably none!}

Not to be outdone, Cornyn accused McCain of being too occupied campaigning for president to take part in the negotiations. "Wait a second here," Cornyn said to McCain. "I've been sitting in here for all of these negotiations and you just parachute in here on the last day. You're out of line." "F--- you! I know more about this than anyone else in the room," McCain reportedly rejoined. McCain, who has missed 42 votes this year, hasn't been intimately involved in the comprehensive immigration reform debate for months. Reportedly, the shouting match was played out in front of a bipartisan group of senators and aides who had gathered in the meeting room.

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/ic/2007/5/19/210233.shtml

Bush: Gonzales "Has Done Nothing Wrong" - President Again Defends Embattled Attorney General, Calls Senate No-Confidence Vote "Political Theater" - His (Gonzales) cancellations also come days before his former White House liaison, Monica Goodling, was to testify about her role in the firings of U.S. attorneys last year

Mr. Bush did not answer a question about whether he intends to keep Gonzales in office through the end of his presidency. Mr. Bush's comments came as support for Gonzales eroded even in the president's own party and the Senate prepared to hold a vote of no confidence in the attorney general, possibly at week's end. Gonzales, who is headed to Europe this week, scrapped a meeting with his Swiss counterpart and shelved tentative plans for a speech in Hungary. His cancellations also come days before his former White House liaison, Monica Goodling, was to testify about her role in the firings of U.S. attorneys last year. Senate support for Gonzales is continuing to erode, with a fourth and fifth Republican calling for his resignation. On Sunday, the top Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee predicted Gonzales would step down before senators go on record as having confidence in the attorney general, or not.

http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2007/05/21/politics/main2832177.shtml

{From what appears to be (Hamas) Arab-PLO TV} Qassam fighters launch 'small' missiles on zionist Natsarim town in palestine {*Notice the guy who actually fires the rockets is entirely in civilian clothes.} (YouTube 1:37)

Qassam fighters launch small missiles on zionist Natsarim town in palestine.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8aoFQwyDnXo

*Must See - Qassam missile attacks Sderot 2007 (YouTube 4:23)

Qassam missile attack on the city of Sderot. More than 3000 missiles were launched towards Sderot since september 2000. Video Footage from YNET - www.ynet.co.il

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lmOl4alnV0c

Qassam missile attacks Sderot 2007 - Part 2 "Qassam terror attacks" (YouTube 1:11)

See what happens in the city of Sderot when a Qassam missile is on it's way in the air. It's been more than six years now, of Qassam terror attacks.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JfWw7YE0B6M

A Prayer For Israel Psalm 83 [Flash & Screensaver Downloads]

A Christian flash show based on Psalm 83, as intercession for Israel.

http://www.acwitness.org/psalm83english.html

A Qassam rocket falls next to a gas station in the Israeli town of Sderot, seconds after cars drive by - Please continue to Pray for Israel and Our Troops - these many 'close calls' are "Prayer Victories"

{The security camera video has some edits to save time in viewing but it's still amazing that buildings and people were spared and there are many more close calls every day.} (Video - 1:25)

That coulda been a really serious tragedy. I'm surprised (a little) that Hamas and/or Fatah have taken time off from killing each other to keep lobbing rockets at civilian targets. Wonder what Human Rights Watch will have to say about this? ... Didn't seem to excite anybody very much. Just another day near the peacful palestinians. Ho Hum. ...

http://littlegreenfootballs.com/weblog/?entry=25563 Video- Palestinian Random Murder Attempt

HonestReporting.com visits Sderot (2006) in the immediate aftermath of a Qassam missile attack (YouTube 4:06)

HonestReporting visits Sderot in the immediate aftermath of a Qassam missile attack that seriously wounded two teenage boys.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NtME--96C7c

Did Jesus have a wife and child, of course not! - Da Vinci Code (Jesus is only human) Cults Exposed

A new movie is set to air a program that will insinuate that Jesus had a secret wife, Mary Magdalene and that the two had a child while He was here on the earth. Following is some material to consider regarding this very wrong and false topic. ... Since all European and British nobility can legitimately prove their lineage back through the Merovingians {and apparently attempts to claim Mohammed as well}, they can "prove" to a public who has bought this lie that their lineage goes back through Mary Magdalene to Jesus and they have "plugged into" Jesus, they are literally "home free" to King David! The Jewish Talmud teaches this same lie. Thus, Antichrist can "prove" his lineage back to King David, an absolute requirement if he is to convince the Jewish people he is their Messiah for whom they have been awaiting!

http://www.basicchristian.org/jesusnowife.html

Prince Harry - Harry is the "spare" to his brother Prince William, heir to the throne of England - There have long been whispers that he is Not, in fact, the son of Prince Charles, but of his mother's lover, the "love rat" James Hewitt {Not that this in any way matters except that Prince Charles believes himself to be a descendant of Jesus Christ and Mary Magdalene via an already debunked Da Vinci Code scenario. If Charles has the blood work to prove Harry is not his real son as a 'royal' loose end it could become very dangerous for Prince Harry in Iraq or anywhere. In the Great End Time Deception it will be important for them to have at least an appearance of a Divine bloodline.}

Harry is the "spare" to his brother Prince William, heir to the throne of England. Once known as the "The Happy Prince" for always smiling, lately Prince Harry seems to have taken the place in the tabloids formerly occupied by his deceased mother, Diana, Princess of Wales. Harry was eight when his parents separated, and 12 when his mother was killed in a car crash. There have long been whispers that he is not, in fact, the son of Prince Charles, but of his mother's lover, the "love rat" James Hewitt. Both Hewitt and Diana stated that they didn't meet until after Harry's birth, but his red hair and small nose are unlike those of the Windsors.

http://www.nndb.com/people/104/000031011/

CuttingEdge.org: Weekly Newsletter - Now Prince Harry is not going to serve outside Basra, Iraq, as planned - Or, is he still going, under the cover of an untruthful media cover story? - "Prince Harry Banned From Nightclubs While His Unit Is Serving In Iraq: Boozy nights off limits for Harry"

For several months now, the British military command insisted that Prince Harry was going to serve with his elite surveillance unit in Irag. As a matter of fact, Harry was to serve in the area south and east of Basra, Irag. This plan really piqued our interest because Illuminist author, H.G. Wells, stated in 1933 that World War III, which is designed to stage the Masonic Christ on the world scene, would begin because of something that would occur in Basra. Let us once again review that quote; you will be amazed. ".. the plan for the 'Modern World-State' would succeed in its third attempt (Third World War) and would come out of something that would occur in Basra, Iraq." ["The Globalists: The Power Elite Exposed", by Dr. Dennis Cuddy, p. 50., as he quotes Wells' 1933 book, "The Shape of Things To Come"]. ... So, we believe that Prince Harry is still going to Basra, Iraq, and that he is probably already on the ground. With strong war signals coming out of Israel, as we report above, the 1933 plan of the Illuminati to create an incident in Basra, Iraq, may still be on schedule. ... Former Satanists have told me that virtually the entire leadership of Great Britain is Illuminati and that Prince Charles is THE key leader of the worldwide group. Tim Cohen, author of the insightful book, "Antichrist And A Cup of Tea", provides wonderfully thorough documentation that the House of Windsor fulfills all the Biblical requirements of Antichrist. Cohen contends that THE Antichrist is likely to be either Prince Charles or Prince William. Therefore, if 22-year-old Prince Harry is the sacrificial lamb which will start World War III, he will be betrayed by the very leaders who now are expressing the greatest concern for his safety!

http://www.cuttingedge.org/newsletters/index.html

*Secret Mysteries 4 DVD Combo - Four Incredible Documentaries Exposing the Secret Historyof Elite Occult Practices in America (DVD's \$59.95) {Find out why President George W. Bush is secretly attempting to permanently destroy the conservative-Christian Republican Party base in America.}

For a limited time only you'll save nearly 20% off the regular price when you purchase these powerful films together in this special DVD bundle.

http://infowars-shop.stores.yahoo.net/semydvdco.html

SolidRockFaith.com: Listen to Tommy Willis' inspiring and encouraging testimony of how he got Born Again (Mp3) {In short avoid alcohol, drugs and JW's but do read the Bible, pray and listen to true Preachers!} - Also - Weapons of Moral Destruction; sermon (Mp3) {Scroll down and look for the graphic on the *Left side.}

Listen to Tommy Willis' inspiring and encouraging testimony of how he got born again. You will find out that Jesus is real because of a changed life by the grace of God. Jesus rose from the dead, is seated in Heaven and will return soon to translate the saints and judge this wicked world. Are you prepared to meet the King of Kings and Lord of Lords?

http://www.solidrockfaith.com/

Trinity Broadcasting Network Films Library - More Than a Carpenter - Explore the truth in this man they call Jesus (FREE Video - Downloads)

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Rove's Gift to the Democrats? The future on a silver platter - The "bi-partisan McCain-Kennedy plan" seemed almost deliberately designed to help Democrats and hurt Republicans - How does it do so? Let us count the ways... {I have said all along that Bush is a ringer a Fraud. Bush is a Satanist he worships the Devil. I think this is his great attempt to permanently destroy the conservative-Christian base in America.}

Can you believe that the Republicans are handing us the future on a silver platter? An analysis of ethnic voting patterns done by Peter Brimelow and Ed Rubenstein projected three Democratic victories for every Republican one if current population trends (i.e., a growing minority vote) maintain themselves or intensify. There are no guarantees in life, of course. But I'll take three out of four election victories any day of the week. Hey, given our record this decade, we'd be glad to take any wins nationally. The "bi-partisan McCain-Kennedy plan" seemed almost deliberately designed to help Democrats and hurt Republicans. How does it do so? Let us count the ways...

http://article.nationalreview.com/?q=ZDZmOGI0MDc0ZjViOGZhOTE0OTYwNzUyMzI2YWRmMDQ=

The Republican Party General Chairman Senator Mel Martinez yucks it up with Senator Ted Kennedy after announcing their amnesty plan (Photo) {I think Bush not only just destroyed the Republican Party but also unwittingly the Bush family dynasty.}

National Review Online explains how the immigration bill is not just a bad piece of legislation but will bring in the era of the democratic super majority for years to come:

http://gatewaypundit.blogspot.com/2007/05/grand-old-goodbye.html

Dems deal new blow to Gonzales - No-confidence vote sought as fifth GOP senator urges resignation - Asked twice during a news conference Thursday if he (Bush) personally ordered Gonzales to Ashcroft's hospital room, Bush refused to answer - "There's a lot of speculation about what happened and what didn't happen - I'm not going to talk about it," Bush said

For all of the administration's defense, several GOP officials acknowledged privately that Republicans were still reeling from testimony this week that Gonzales, when he was Bush's White House counsel, pressured Attorney General John Ashcroft to certify the legality of Bush's controversial eavesdropping program while Ashcroft lay in intensive care. Asked twice during a news conference Thursday if he personally ordered Gonzales to Ashcroft's hospital room, Bush refused to answer. "There's a lot of speculation about what happened and what didn't happen. I'm not going to talk about it," Bush said. James Comey's account to the Senate Judiciary Committee, Schumer said, turned more lawmakers against Gonzales. New criticism came from multiple Republicans. ... For his part, Gonzales will be in Europe next week, visiting his counterparts in Hungary and Switzerland before joining the G-8 conference Thursday in Munich, Germany. He will be back in Washington on Friday -- the night before the long Memorial Day weekend.

http://www.thehawkeye.com/Story/p0793_BC_Gonzales_Prosecutors_14thLd_Writethru_05_17_1123

Gonzales Hospital Episode Detailed - White House Counsel Alberto R. Gonzales and President Bush's chief of staff, Andrew H. Card Jr., were on their way to the hospital to persuade Ashcroft to reauthorize Bush's domestic surveillance program, which the Justice Department had just

determined was illegal

On the night of March 10, 2004, as Attorney General John D. Ashcroft lay ill in an intensive-care unit, his deputy, James B. Comey, received an urgent call. White House Counsel Alberto R. Gonzales and President Bush's chief of staff, Andrew H. Card Jr., were on their way to the hospital to persuade Ashcroft to reauthorize Bush's domestic surveillance program, which the Justice Department had just determined was illegal. ... In vivid testimony to the Senate Judiciary Committee yesterday, Comey said he alerted FBI Director Robert S. Mueller III and raced, sirens blaring, to join Ashcroft in his hospital room, arriving minutes before Gonzales and Card. Ashcroft, summoning the strength to lift his head and speak, refused to sign the papers they had brought. Gonzales and Card, who had never acknowledged Comey's presence in the room, turned and left. ... "I was angry," Comey testified. "I thought I just witnessed an effort to take advantage of a very sick man, who did not have the powers of the attorney general because they had been transferred to me." ... It also marks the first public acknowledgment that the Justice Department found the original surveillance program illegal, more than two years after it began.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/05/15/AR2007051500864.html

Bush insists on picking next World Bank chief - Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, who played a big role in negotiating Mr Wolfowitz's exit, said the search for a replacement was under way

He is the first president to be forced out since the bank was established in 1944. Some observers see his demise and the fact that the Bush Administration failed to save him, as proof of the Administration's weakened position in the world. Persistent talk in Washington this week, some of it coming from European Bank officials, suggested that the time had come to end the convention by which the US, the bank's largest donor, chooses the president. Europeans choose the head of the International Monetary Fund. This point was emphasised yesterday when Japan said the nationality of Mr Wolfowitz's successor should be decided by the institution. "The nationality of the successor is a governance matter for the World Bank," Chief Cabinet Secretary Yasuhisa Shiozaki told a news conference.

http://www.theage.com.au/news/world/bush-insists-on-picking-next-world-bank-chief/2007/05/18/1178995412 919.html

Blair tipped to be World Bank president as disgraced Wolfowitz resigns {Same faithful New world Order (NWO) characters different NWO job descriptions.}

Tony Blair may be asked to head the World Bank ... Mr Blair is expected to cash in on his international contacts after quitting Downing Street on 27 June and his agent said he would quit as an MP if "a big international job" came up. Mr Stiglitz said the World Bank would probably prefer an economist with experience in development - which some pundits argue effectively rules out the prime minister, who has often admitted to being shaky at maths. Nevertheless, Prof Stiglitz said: "He is one of the people that is clearly being discussed.

http://www.dailymail.co.uk/pages/live/articles/news/worldnews.html?in article id=455673&in page id=1811

Prelude to the Six Day War - Charles Krauthammer has a great column today on the upcoming anniversary of the 1967 Six Day War - Also - more about the recent revelations of Soviet involvement: 'Soviets engineered Six Day War'

There has hardly been a Middle East peace plan in the past 40 years - including the current Saudi version - that does not demand a return to the status quo of June 4, 1967. Why is that date so sacred? Because it was the day before the outbreak of the Six-Day War in which Israel scored one of the most stunning victories of the 20th century. The Arabs have spent four decades trying to undo its consequences.

http://littlegreenfootballs.com/weblog/?entry=25534_Krauthammer-_Prelude_to_the_Six_Day_War&only

Palestinians Shoot 15 Human Shields - 200 Gaza residents decided their "human shield" tactics worked so well against the Israelis, they would try it to stop the shooting between rival terrorists in Gaza - The gunmen used it as an opportunity to refine their technical skills, injuring approximately 15 of them

200 Gaza residents decided their "human shield" tactics worked so well against the Israelis, they would try it to stop the shooting between rival terrorists in Gaza: "Just as we used to protect you from the occupation by acting as human shields, we have come to protect you from yourselves," one protester shouted at gunmen, referring to instances when Palestinian civilians positioned themselves between militants and Israeli forces. The gunmen used it as an opportunity to refine their technical skills, injuring approximately 15 of them. ... "Even during the Israeli occupation the situation wasn't this terrible," says Um Mohammed, praying for an end to the lethal Palestinian infighting raging outside her Gaza City home. Fear reigns throughout the city, deserted but for prowling groups of armed men, loyal to rivals Hamas or Fatah, living on a daily diet of ambushes, kidnappings and assassinations. Dozens of snipers on the rooftops of the tallest buildings open fire seemingly on anything that moves. "We can't go near the window, let alone on the balcony. We have all become targets," says Um Mohammed. "This is a city of corpses and ghosts." ... On Wednesday, I saw several people shot in front of my building, I heard the screams of terrified women and children in a burning building, and I argued with gunmen who tried to take over my home. I have seen a lot in my years as a journalist in Gaza, but this is the worst it's been.

http://www.iris.org.il/blog/archives/2359-Palestinians-Shoot-15-Human-Shields.html

Anheuser-Busch to Stop Selling Beverage Critics Said Was Targeting Minors - a 2-ounce bottle of flavored-malt beverage meant to be mixed with beer or other drinks, or consumed as a shot - Packaged in colorful bottles, Spykes contains 12 percent alcohol by volume - the flavor masks the strong taste of alcohol

ST. LOUIS - Anheuser-Busch said Thursday it will stop selling a malt beverage called Spykes, a product under fire from critics who charged that it appealed to underage drinkers. ... "Due to its limited volume potential and unfounded criticism, we have ceased production of Spykes," Michael J. Owens, Anheuser-Busch Cos.' marketing vice president, said in a statement. He said Spykes was introduced about two years ago in test markets, and nationwide in January, but had not performed to expectations. Critics said the product was designed to attract underage drinkers. ... Spykes is a 2-ounce bottle of flavored-malt beverage meant to be mixed with beer or other drinks, or consumed as a shot. Packaged in colorful bottles, Spykes contains 12 percent alcohol by volume. Critics, including more than two dozen state attorneys general, say those characteristics are attractive to underage drinkers. They say the flavor masks the strong taste of alcohol. Spykes comes in four flavors - lime, mango, melon and hot chocolate. It also contains caffeine, ginseng and guarana, which are components of energy drinks popular among teens and young adults. Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal said, "This move by Anheuser-Busch, ceasing sales of Spykes after attorneys general raised significant concerns, is a significant victory in the fight against underage drinking." He said Spykes appealed to children in taste, packaging and marketing. "Anheuser-Busch is doing the right thing about Spykes - and should become a model for the entire industry by stopping marketing of all caffeinated alcoholic drinks that appeal to underage drinkers," Blumenthal said.

{Flashback} Judge's Unintelligent Rant Against Design - Judge John E. Jones III could still be Chairman of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board if millions of evangelical Christians had not pulled the lever for George W. Bush in 2000 {Judge is a Bush appointee - a thanks again W! way to come through for your voters}

Judge John E. Jones III could still be Chairman of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board if millions of evangelical Christians had not pulled the lever for George W. Bush in 2000. Yet this federal judge, who owes his position entirely to those voters and the Bush who appointed him, stuck the knife in the backs of those who brought him to the dance in Kitzmiller v. Dover Area School District. Judge Jones issued a 139-page rant against anyone who objects to force-feeding public schoolchildren with the theory of evolution. He accused parents and school board members of "breathtaking inanity" for wanting their children to learn that "intelligent design is an explanation of the origin of life that differs from Darwin's view."

http://www.eagleforum.org/column/2006/jan06/06-01-04.html

Bush-Blair summit yields no regrets over Iraq tie - the two leaders heaped praise on each other and defended themselves against critics of a war that is increasingly unpopular {Did they remind each other that they Promised their nations 'no nation building' entanglements and only a six month involvement, no? Did either one of them have to sacrifice like any of our soldiers or families, no!}

WASHINGTON - US President George W. Bush and outgoing British Prime Minister Tony Blair insisted at a farewell summit today they have no regrets about their wartime alliance in Iraq despite damage to their standing at home and abroad. Shoulder to shoulder at the White House for the last time before Blair steps down on June 27, the two leaders heaped praise on each other and defended themselves against critics of a war that is increasingly unpopular in both countries. ... Blair will leave office in mid-term, under pressure from within his own Labour Party to step aside before the next general election expected in 2009. ... But when asked whether he (Bush) thought he was partly to blame for Blair's early departure from power, Bush seemed to equivocate. "Could be," he said at first with a smile. However, he then quickly added, "I don't know."

http://www.nzherald.co.nz/section/2/story.cfm?c_id=2&objectid=10440400

Officers faulted in Iraq mission that left 3 troops dead - Daugherty said the soldiers were told to stand guard for up to 36 hours with just one Humvee, and there were no barriers on the road to slow access to them or provide early warning {The reality of the conditions our heroic troops are serving in are extremely difficult while Bush would prefer to lie and be dishonest about the whole thing.}

According to the investigation of last June's attack, Tucker, Menchaca and Babineau were ordered to guard a mobile bridge over a canal to prevent insurgents from planting mines. Other members of their platoon, who were at two locations up to three-quarters of a mile away, heard small-arms fire at 7:49 p.m. When they arrived at the checkpoint about 25 minutes later, Babineau was dead and the others were gone. Daugherty said the soldiers were told to stand guard for up to 36 hours with just one Humvee, and there were no barriers on the road to slow access to them or provide early warning. To expect them to operate an observation post for 24 to 36 hours was unrealistic, he said. "From the time a vehicle was seen, it would have been in front or beside the (Humvee) in a matter of seconds," he wrote. Daugherty concluded that the platoon did not get the supervision or direction it needed. And he said the unit was hurt by the loss of 10 troops, including several leaders, who were killed in action as well as by the need to shuffle the platoon's leadership three times.

Senators, White House Reach Bipartisan Agreement on Immigration - would grant quick legal status to millions of illegal immigrants already in the U.S. {Bush's final insult to the people, laws, order and sanctity of American society, at least let's hope it's the final insult. There is plenty of legal immigration into America. I'm disappointed that once again George W. Bush embraces the secretive, illegal and dishonest way over the honest, right and just way.}

WASHINGTON - Key senators and the White House reached agreement Thursday on an immigration overhaul that would grant quick legal status to millions of illegal immigrants already in the U.S. and fortify the border. The plan would create a temporary worker program to bring new arrivals to the U.S. A separate program would cover agricultural workers. New high-tech enforcement measures also would be instituted to verify that workers are here legally. ... Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., said he expects Bush to endorse the agreement.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,273192,00.html

Constitution Party vets tap Corsi for president - Jones said the veterans "want to go out and paper the country and let the people know there is a strong third party option, and we have a man who is going to be able to correct the problems this country faces." {*Note I joined this organization a few weeks ago by visiting their internet link. Already received a nice welcome letter and I would say that it has already been more gratifying to be a part of this organization than it has been in a lifetime of being a Republican. Yes, I have every intention of leaving the Republican Party and registering in the Constitution Party.}

The National Veterans Coalition of the Constitution Party is preparing to draft Jerome R. Corsi as its choice for the party's presidential nominee in 2008. Corsi, who resigned as a WND staff reporter Monday, said he has joined the Constitution Party and is willing to explore a serious pursuit of the nomination. ... "The elections of 2008 is the year that the Constitution Party becomes a major party, and it's the year we're going to put someone in the White House," he said. Clymer said that with no incumbent running and with the Republican Party's inability to settle on a candidate, "the opportunity is better than at any time in my lifetime." "Even more important than that," he said, "there is a groundswell of dissatisfaction among conservatives with the Republican Party." ... I think this may well be the break-open year for a third party," he said. "The Constitution Party is the only national party that takes a strong stand on securing our borders and stopping the illegal immigration."

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=55735

Israel Reporter: EDITOR WOLLINS' RADIO INTERVIEW NIGHT AFTER NEAR-DEATH KASSAM FALL *Request for Donations to Purchase Safety Equipment for Editor Wollins and Colleagues {Meanwhile real life and death issues are going on throughout the world. The citizens of Israel are receiving a relentless deadly Palestinian rocket attack on their cities.}

Just hours after a Kassam missile landed just yards from his location, Shlomo Wollins was interviewed on the Tovia Singer Show (israelnationalradio.com) and described this near-death experience. And, in this 45-minute interview, Wollins provides a moving and comprehensive assessment of the situation in Sderot as well as the political/military landscape in the state of Israel.

http://israelreporter.com/index.php

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{Website} The Brody File - David Brody - CBN News Capitol Hill Correspondent. David Brody covers Capitol Hill and other topics ranging from National Security to the social issues of the day.

http://www.cbn.com/cbnnews/blogs/brodyfile/

Dobson: No way I'll vote for Rudy - I will either cast my ballot for an also-ran - or if worse comes to worst - not vote for the first time in my adult life" - Dobson said, "My conscience and my moral convictions will allow me to do nothing else" {Or, hopefully help to build and establish a viable 3rd Party like the Constitution Party.}

Family advocate James Dobson, widely considered an important GOP rainmaker, says he will not vote for former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani under any circumstance in the upcoming presidential elections because of his positions on abortion, domestic partnerships for homosexual couples and other moral issues. Dobson says today in an exclusive WND column, speaking strictly as a private citizen, "I cannot, and will not, vote for Rudy Giuliani in 2008." ... Dobson said, "My conscience and my moral convictions will allow me to do nothing else." How could Giuliani say with a straight face that he 'hates abortion,' while also seeking public funding for it?" Dobson asks in his commentary. "How can he hate abortion and contribute to Planned Parenthood in 1993, 1994, 1998 and 1999? And how was he able for many years to defend the horrible procedure [partial birth abortion] ...While Dobson does not endorse candidates in his role with Focus on the Family, he told a talk radio host in January he would not back Arizona Sen. John McCain for the Republican nomination.

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Romney's report showed that his campaign paid \$25,919 to Regency Productions in Virginia Beach for "travel," presumably to rent an aircraft - Regency is run by Jay Sekulow, a close ally of Pat Robertson's {**I have emailed some 'Christian' ministries - organizations that are mysteriously vigorously campaigning for Mormon Mitt Romney, (though not yet Pat Robertson or Jay Sekulow) and have asked that in fairness, knowing that Mitt Romney is attempting to purchase undue favor, that they provide a "Full Disclosure" to their audiences. I have not received any answers or seen any disclosures so now I will post them myself as they become publically available.}

Sen. Barack Obama raised more money than Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton for their Democratic primary clash during the first three months of the year, but Clinton heads into spring with more in her campaign account than all Republican presidential candidates combined. ... "It's a telltale sign of what lies ahead," said Michael Toner, former chairman of the election commission, who has predicted that the nominees will together chew through more than \$1 billion before one reaches the White House. ... The reports are valuable not just for their totals but also for details about the campaigns that can be revealing. For instance, Romney's report showed that his campaign paid \$25,919 to Regency Productions in Virginia Beach for "travel," presumably to rent an aircraft. Regency is run by Jay Sekulow, a close ally of Pat Robertson's, and the arrangement could be a sign of support for Romney among Christian conservatives -- a key constituency for GOP primary hopefuls and one that Romney, a Mormon, has been courting. ... A sizable segment of Romney's haul came from Utah, suggesting that fellow Mormons were significant contributors. Four of the 10 Zip codes from which Romney received the most money are in Utah, and the leading Zip code is home to Brigham Young University, which Romney attended. He raised \$2.8 million in the state, more than one-tenth of his total.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/04/15/AR2007041500522 pf.html

*Full Story: KEY BUSH SUPPORTERS TURN TO OBAMA - Republicans defect to the Obama camp - Some of the donations reflect the natural tendency of those with power to shift to the likely White House winner

Some of the donations reflect the natural tendency of those with power to shift to the likely White House winner. Penny Pritzker, the staggeringly successful head of fundraising for Obama, voted for John Kerry, the 2004 Democratic candidate, but also donated that year to Bush. As she was a head of the family-run Hyatt hotel chain, it was considered a prudent move. ... What no one understand here is that Bush has failed miserably. You, as President, are not only held accountable for your intentions, but your ability to execute. What we're seeing is a Senator who is willing to go bi-partisan on issues. People like that. ... And as for Iraq and Dar fur, Dar fur was much more important to get to. If you want to go after Islamic militancy, go to Iran, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Afghanistan....Iraq was the least of the concerns in the Middle East...yet it's where we base the war. Had a lot of oil though...hmnnnn. And Govt, do some history on the Sunni and Shi'ite conflict before you take down a regime with no plans for after. You created chaos and exposed the civil war.

http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/us and americas/article1752381.ece

KEY BUSH SUPPORTERS TURN TO OBAMA - Disillusioned supporters of President George W. Bush are defecting to Barack Obama {The Bush fallout is just beginning. At this rate Bush is going to leave the nation a disaster.}

SARAH BAXTER, TIMES, UK - Disillusioned supporters of President George W Bush are defecting to Barack Obama, the Democratic senator for Illinois, as the White House candidate with the best chance of uniting a divided nation. Tom Bernstein went to Yale University with Bush and co-owned the Texas Rangers baseball team with him. In 2004 he donated the maximum \$2,000 to the president's reelection campaign and gave \$50,000 to the Republican National Committee. This year he is switching his support to Obama. He is one of many former Bush admirers who find the Democrat newcomer appealing. ... Financiers have also been oiling Obama's campaign. In Chicago, his home town, John Canning, a "Bush pioneer" and investment banker who pledged to raise \$100,000 for the president in 2004, has given up on the Republicans. . . According to figures compiled by the Center for Responsive Politics in Washington, Obama and Clinton have vacuumed up more than \$750,000 in individual contributions from former Bush donors. ... Comments: Anonymous said... Last time we had a choice between two Yalie Skulls, both Corporatists. This time, we'll have a choice between a white Corporatist and either a female or black Corporatist. Whoopee, the future's so bright we'll have to wear shades.

Yolanda King, daughter of MLK, dies at 51 - She was an actress, author, producer, advocate for peace and nonviolence

ATLANTA, Georgia (AP) -- Yolanda King, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s eldest child who pursued her father's dream of racial harmony through drama and motivational speaking, collapsed and died after making a speech. She was 51. King died late Tuesday in Santa Monica, California, said Steve Klein, a spokesman for the King Center. The family did not know the cause of death, but, relatives think it might have been a heart problem, he said."She was an actress, author, producer, advocate for peace and nonviolence, who was known and loved for her motivational and inspirational contributions to society," the King family said in a statement. ... Yolanda Denise King -- nicknamed Yoki by the family -- was born November 17, 1955, in Montgomery, Alabama., where her father was then preaching. Her brother Martin III was born in 1957; brother Dexter in 1961; and sister Bernice in 1963.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/US/05/16/obit.king.ap/index.html

Yolanda King Blazes Her Own Spiritual Path {I hope that now in God's presence she realizes that God's love is sufficient.}

For Yolanda King, the last several years have been a time of awakening. Not politically, socially, or in the sides of her life that the public generally sees. Rather, over the last decade, the eldest child of the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. has boldly blended Eastern practices, Christian thought, and the ideas of Science of Mind to create a spiritual path truly her own. ... In terms of her spiritual life, King may be coming full circle. She recalls a childhood home in which the figure of Gandhi - whose teachings of nonviolence underscored much of Martin Luther King's philosophy - "was like a part of our family." His pictures and words abounded in the King household. And, yet, it was Gandhi's social analysis - not his yogic ideas - that held sway. It would not be until well into adulthood that Yolanda King experienced - through meditation, affirmative thought, and other practices - some of the spiritual leanings of a man who she previously understood through a political lens. In time, this burgeoning understanding may represent Yolanda King's true legacy: a marriage of mysticism and social thought that honors both the larger community and the individual's need for inner growth. "I understand that people would look to me to pick up the torch and run with it," King says. "And to some extent I have done that, but in my own way."

http://www.wsbtv.com/news/13328625/detail.html

The WHOLE Story of Why I Left Mormonism - by Mike Norton - "I know that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior, our Redeemer and our God and it is my prayer that we will all remember that year round. I testify these things to you in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen." - They [LDS] can be disappointed as much as they want...I don't know when I have felt closer to the Lord and nothing they say can change that

One of the things that I found most disturbing was the fact that Brigham Young and countless other early Church leaders had obviously not been familiar with the "first vision" story as we know it now. ... I found out that the church taught from 1835 until 1921 that God was a spirit and did not have a physical body. ... I found out that the Church changed the identity of the angel (from Nephi to Moroni) that was alleged to have given Joseph Smith the gold plates over 50 years after it supposedly happened ... The list of major problems with church doctrine and teachings that I discovered just went on and on. ... Since leaving the LDS Church I have helped numerous people see the truth and leave the false gospel of Mormonism for the real gospel of Jesus Christ as it can be found in the Bible. I will continue to help those still trapped by the lies of Mormonism just as I would never leave a burning house without desperately trying to save those still trapped inside. The false gospel of Mormonism endangers those who follow it because they reject the free gift of salvation that Christ offered us and believe that they can somehow earn salvation by their good works. Your good works should be a result of your salvation, not an attempt to gain salvation. ... "They [LDS] can be disappointed as much as they want...I don't know when I have felt closer to the Lord and nothing they say can change that. Thank you, Mike. If it was not for you I would still be in the dark." ... [Mark's mother]

http://www.josephlied.com/bicentennialboy.html

Mormonism in a Nutshell - Former Mormon warns fellow Christians not to support Romney - LDS members "want to infiltrate regular Christian religions so they can bring those Christians into Mormonism

A one-time Mormon says anyone thinking about supporting presidential hopeful Mitt Romney -- a Mormon -in his White House campaign needs to be aware of what distinguishes that religious group's beliefs from Christianity. ... A woman whose father was a bishop in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS) and who is a former Mormon herself says Christians considering Mormon candidate Mitt Romney's bid for the U.S. presidency need to be reminded about the differences between Mormonism and biblical Christianity. Writer, consultant, and business woman Tricia Erickson spent her childhood growing up in a Mormon home and knows a great deal about that religion, which she considers a cult. Now a born-again Christian, she wants to remind fellow believers that Mormons view Jesus differently than they do. ... Up until recently, Erickson contends, Mormons would never even describe themselves as born-again Christians. She believes many do so now because they want to gain access to mainstream Christianity, especially now that their church is facing difficulties. "Their missionaries are not doing as well out in the field," the former Mormon woman notes, and "their numbers are going down as far as new recruits." For that reason, she says, LDS members "want to infiltrate regular Christian religions so they can bring those Christians into Mormonism under the [impression] that they're Christian, too. They're anything but." Mitt Romney has said his Mormon faith will not be an issue as he campaigns to become president of the United States. But Erickson believes the former Massachusetts governor's presidential bid would help raise the profile of Mormonism and enhance its chances for winning new converts, so she says there is no way she can support him.

http://www.americaslastdays.com/?page=mormonism

Bio: Jerry Falwell - was credited with helping elect Ronald Reagan president and with moving the Republican Party further to the right on social issues

The Rev. Jerry L. Falwell, television evangelist who was among the leaders of the so-called Religious Right a movement that emerged in the late 1970s with the goal of getting Christian fundamentalists involved in politics. Falwell's organization, the Moral Majority, was credited with helping elect Ronald Reagan president and with moving the Republican Party further to the right on social issues. The group's influence subsequently waned, however, and Falwell disbanded it in 1989. Falwell was born on Aug. 11, 1933 in Lynchburg, Va. From an early age, he excelled in school, graduating at the top of his high school class. He was also a talented athlete. Falwell entered Lynchburg College in 1950 with the intention of earning a degree in mechanical engineering. After becoming a born-again Christian in his sophomore year, Falwell transferred to Baptist Bible College in Springfield, Missouri. Around the same time, Falwell turned down an offer to play for the St. Louis Cardinals major-league baseball team. ... In addition to its political activities, the Moral Majority led a boycott of 7-Eleven convenience stores as part of a successful effort to get the chain to stop selling the adult magazines Playboy, Penthouse and Forum. ... In 1979 Falwell founded the Moral Majority in order to rally evangelical Christians as a political lobbying force. At its height in the early 1980s, Falwell claimed that the Moral Majority had more than six million members.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,272478,00.html

Falwell Remembered for Impact on Conservative Movement - "I shudder to think where the country would be right now if the religious right had not evolved," Falwell said - Falwell's father and his grandfather were militant atheists - becoming a born-again Christian at age 19 - "My heart was burning to serve Christ," he once said in an interview "I knew nothing would ever be the same again"

RICHMOND, Virginia - The Rev. Jerry Falwell founded a movement that helped mold the religious right into a political power. ... The fundamentalist church that Falwell started in an abandoned bottling plant in 1956 grew into a religious empire that includes the 22,000-member Thomas Road Baptist Church, the "Old Time Gospel Hour" carried on television stations around the country and 7,700-student Liberty University. He built Christian elementary schools, homes for unwed mothers and a home for alcoholics. He also founded Liberty University in Lynchburg, which began as Lynchburg Baptist College in 1971. ... In 2006, Falwell marked the 50th anniversary of his church and spoke out on stem cell research, saying he sympathized with people with medical problems, but that any medical research must pass a three-part test: "Is it ethically correct? Is it biblically correct? Is it morally correct?" ... "Dr. Falwell was a giant of faith and a visionary leader and he, as a man, has always been a man of great optimism and great faith and he has left instructions for those of us who have to carry on and we will be faithful to that charge," ... Falwell's father and his grandfather were militant atheists, he wrote in his autobiography. He said his father made a fortune off his businesses including bootleging during Prohibition. As a student, Falwell was a star athlete and a prankster who was barred from giving his high school valedictorian's speech after he was caught using counterfeit lunch tickets his senior year. He ran with a gang of juvenile delinquents before becoming a born-again Christian at age 19. He turned down an offer to play professional baseball and transferred from Lynchburg College to Baptist Bible College in Springfield, Mo. "My heart was burning to serve Christ," he once said in an interview. "I knew nothing would ever be the same again."

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,272515,00.html

Debbie Schlussel: Rev. Jerry Falwell, RIP: Founded Important (Pro-Israel) Anti-Islamist Political Movement

Sad news today that Rev. Jerry Falwell, founder of the Moral Majority and Liberty University, died this morning at age 73. Jerry Falwell was a patriot and loved America. He loved its Judeo-Christian values, and he did his best to preserve them. ... Jerry Falwell loved the Jewish people and the State of Israel. Dr. Falwell helped inspire thousands of Christian tourists to visit and donate money to Israel, when it was in the worst economic doldrums of two Intifadas (Muslim uprisings). I met and heard him speak at a small dinner in 2000 and enjoyed it immensely. He was a vital part of the Reagan Revolution.

http://www.debbieschlussel.com/archives/2007/05/rev_jerry_falwe.html

Reports are coming in that Reverend Jerry Falwell has died... Comments

#6 Rest in peace. I didn't always agree with him, and he said some things I wish he hadn't, but he walked his talk, and cared more for the poor and sick and hurt than all the liberals who will only recall the sillier things he said. ... #39 he was a true supporter of Israel. #47 May God grant you peace good and faithful servant. You have earned a place at his table - sad for his family but happy for him. #53 He stood up for what he believed in, and would not conform to what certain [liberal] groups demanded. It took courage, and his belief in G-d was unquestionable.

http://littlegreenfootballs.com/weblog/?entry=25495_RIP_Jerry_Falwell#comments

**Breaking - The Rev. Jerry Falwell has died at age 73, The Associated Press reports

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http://www.cnn.com/

Jerry Falwell Taken To Hospital After Being Found Unconscious - hospitalized in "gravely serious" condition after being found unconscious in his office Tuesday, a Liberty University (Our prayers at this time are with Jerry Falwell, his family, the Liberty staff - college and all those concerned for his health and safety!)

Godwin said he was not sure what caused the collapse, but "he has a history of heart challenges." "I had breakfast with him, and he was fine at breakfast," Godwin said. "He went to his office, I went to mine and they found him unresponsive." Godwin said Falwell was receiving emergency care. A hospital spokeswoman said she had "no information to release at this time" on Falwell. Falwell, a television evangelist who founded the Moral Majority, became the face of the religious right in the 1980s. He later founded the conservative Liberty University and serves as its president.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,272477,00.html

None Of Romney's 5 Sons Have Served In the Military - Mitt Romney served as a Mormon missionary, which enabled him to receive a draft deferment from the Vietnam War {To all those that have served our great nation in uniform have a Blessed Memorial Weekend while we continue to remember our fallen veterans and keeping in our thoughts the past, present, and future generations of military service! - David Anson Brown L/Cpl USMC 81-84}

All five of the Romney sons, who range in age from 26 to 37, served two years as church missionaries, a practice within their Mormon faith. Mitt Romney served as a Mormon missionary, which enabled him to receive a draft deferment from the Vietnam War. On the stump, Romney argues for a robust national defense. He said he wants to add 100,000 troops to the U.S. military and commit 4 percent of the gross domestic product to funding the armed forces.

http://www.thebostonchannel.com/news/13323071/detail.html

Romney says his (Mormon - LDS) faith's past is troubling - Calls practice of polygamy 'awful' {Yeah, Mitt Romney is just as appalled about Mormonism and polygamy as President George W. Bush is appalled about big government, corruption, lying, bribes, and oil company price gouging at the Gas station!}

BOSTON -- Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney said his Mormon religious faith's history of polygamy could trouble American voters and that he, too, is bothered by it.

http://www.boston.com/news/nation/articles/2007/05/12/romney says his faiths past is troubling/

With Gay Marriage, Isn't Polygamy Next Mr. Romney? - You see? There is no argument for gay marriage that does not also advance the cause of polygamy

But polygamy may again become legal in America, and if it does it will be on the back on gay marriage. Let's revisit the arguments for gay marriage and apply them to polygamy. a) "Marriage is a choice and a contract between consenting adults." Polygamy can be a choice and a contract between consenting adults. b) "We love each other." Is there any reason a man cannot love two or more women at the same time? c) "We cannot continue with the illusion that marriage is only for the providing husband, the supportive wife, and 2.5 children." Exactly. Polygamy, like gay marriage, is based on the recognition of diverse forms of human cohabitation. d) "Denying people the right to marry is a form of oppression." This discrimination is equally if not more offensive when it applies to more than two people. e) "Who is to say that Heather can't have two mommies?" And who is to say that Heather can't have three mommies--and a dad? You see? There is no argument for gay marriage that does not also advance the cause of polygamy. I know that Jonathan Rauch, Andrew Sullivan and others get very indignant about this, insisting that they would limit gay marriage to two people. But why? Marriage currently has several elements: it requires that only two people be involved, it requires that they be adults and not closely related, and (except in Massachusetts) it insists that one of the parties be male and one female. Rauch and Sullivan want to eliminate the heterosexual condition, but in that case why keep the other requirements? Is it just because gays have more political power than Muslims and Mormons? ... Yes, I know that on certain questions presidential candidates have to be prudent, which is to say, evasive. But I'm not running for president, and I see it coming. Don't say I didn't warn you.

http://newsbloggers.aol.com/2007/05/14/with-gay-marriage-isnt-polygamy-next-mr-romney/

Pope Benedict XVI Addresses Latin American Bishops in Brazil - he added that unfettered capitalism and globalization, blamed by many in the region for the deep divide between the rich and poor, gives "rise to a worrying degradation of personal dignity through drugs, alcohol and deceptive illusions of happiness"

APARECIDA, Brazil - Pope Benedict XVI blamed Marxism and unbridled capitalism for Latin America's problems on Sunday, and urged bishops to mold a new generation of Roman Catholic leaders in politics to reverse the church's declining influence in the region. ... America needs more dedicated Catholics in leadership positions in the media and at universities throughout the region. "This being a continent of baptized Christians, it is time to overcome the notable absence - in the political sphere, in the world of the media and in the universities - of the voices and initiatives of Catholic leaders with strong personalities and generous dedication, who are coherent in their ethical and religious convictions," Benedict said. ... Now, he said, the bishops must convince Catholics from all walks of life "to bring the light of the Gospel into public life, into culture, economics and politics."

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,271894,00.html

(Italy) Thousands rally for traditional family in Italy - By the end of the day, organizers said as many as 1.5 million people had showed up - The turnout was above the organizers' expectations

ROME, Italy (AP) -- With grandparents and children in tow, tens of thousands of families gathered in a Rome piazza to voice their opposition to a government bill that would give many legal rights to unmarried couples, including gay ones. The "Family Day" rally Saturday, drawing hundreds of thousands of demonstrators in total, was organized by lay Catholic groups and family associations. While the demonstration has been endorsed by Italian bishops, neither the Vatican nor the Italian bishops conference is formally behind it. "With this demonstration, we wanted to give a signal. It must not be a sporadic event, but it must contribute to dialogue and help (people) understand family must be protected," said Emanuele Cirillo, 27, of Naples, who had traveled to Rome for the demonstration. People from across Italy began pouring into the massive St. John Lateran piazza in the morning. The demonstrators were entertained by singers, speakers and even a brief video of the late Pope John Paul II giving a 1988 speech about the need to protect family.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/europe/05/12/unmarried.couples.ap/index.html

Mitt Romney created 'gay' marriage, family groups say - They had written to ask the governor to reject 'unconstitutional' court ruling - And they say he ignored them - "Of his own volition, Romney issued "constitutionally fraudulent 'homosexual marriage' licenses'" and with no authorizing legislation, he ordered marriage licenses to be changed from "husband" and "wife," to "Party A" and "Party B"

Nearly four dozen pro-family leaders and activists have made public their direct challenge to former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, who is considering a run for the presidency in 2008, to document his opposition to homosexual marriages. And they say he ignored them. According to the organization MassResistance.org, the leaders hand-delivered a letter to the former governor on Dec. 20, before he left office, documenting why they believe he voluntarily instituted directives that created homosexual "marriages" in that state, even though he did not have to. They asked him to act in response, and they say he didn't even acknowledge the letter. ... The letter had called on Romney to reverse his "erroneous directives which began homosexual 'marriages' through an executive order" but signers noted that Romney declined to act. "Under the Massachusetts Constitution, only the Legislature may change the statutes," the group said. "Of his own volition, Romney issued "constitutionally fraudulent 'homosexual marriage' licenses'" and with no authorizing legislation, he ordered marriage licenses to be changed from "husband" and "wife," to "Party A" and "Party B."

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=53787

Updated - Mormon (LDS) Info - Mormonism (LDS) practices and engages in the longtime deceitful and

illegal marketing practice of "bait and switch" (PDF)

Mormonism (LDS) practices and engages in the longtime deceitful and illegal marketing practice of "bait and switch" to offer - bait the customer with one product and then through excuses, deceit and manipulations to steer the customer into a different inferior product. In this case Mormons universally offer Jesus, the Bible and a "truer Christianity" and then in a dishonest way switching from the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Bible to the teachings of Joseph Smith and others. The Mormon Church is deliberately trying to avoid their true identity as a Mormon cult and is instead representing themselves as something they are not, which is true Christian followers of Jesus. Following are a few considerations as to why Mormonism is a cult and in no way resembles Christianity...

http://www.basicchristian.us/downloads/Christian_vs_Mormon.pdf

The Mormon Curtain - Blogging The Very Best Of The Ex-Mormon World - By Infymus - The Largest Repository Of Ex-Mormon Material In The World - Containing 2,811 Articles Spanning 178 Topics {From a once Mormon to Mormons this website gives deep insight into the Mormon world.}

Q: Who runs this site? A: Infymus AKA Michael Hoenie runs this site. He lives in Salt Lake City where he works as a Senior Software Engineer. Married with two children. Resigned from the Mormon Corporation in 23 July 2001 and received his confirmation of resignation 28 August 2001. Q: What is the purpose of the Mormon Curtain? A: The primary purpose of the Mormon Curtain is to blog the Ex-Mormon world. This includes "recovery" boards, message boards, sites and more - and provide the very best posts and articles therein. This is to aid Ex-Mormons who are on the road to recovery, Mormons who are looking for more information on their own religion, and Non-Mormons who may be studying the Mormon Church on purpose of possible baptism. The secondary purpose of the Mormon Curtain is to expose to the world that Mormonism is a cult. It is hoped that the information and links contained here will help non-Mormons avoid the Cult of Mormonism. It is also hoped that current members of the LDS Church will find the answers that Mormon leaders have forbidden them from seeing. In addition, those recovering from Mormonism (known as Ex-Mormons) will find links and information necessary to aid in recovery.

http://www.mormoncurtain.com/

Romney Elaborates on Evolution - "And I believe evolution is most likely the process he used to create the human body" - Mr. Romney said his answer was satisfactory to faculty members "They teach evolution at B.Y.U.," he said {Christians believe that humans are "created in the image of God" as it is written in the Bible (Genesis 1:26-27) therefore we can talk, communicate - interact and share our feelings and emotions with God and be understood because we are in the image with God. However Mormons believe that they are now evolving into a god through the prescribed steps of Joseph Smith. Romney is just being consistent with his Mormon-Evolution belief. However it would simply not be possible to even pray to God if you were not originally created in the image of God and being in the image of God it then makes evolution unnecessary.}

Mr. Romney, a devout Mormon, surprised some observers when he was not among those Republican candidates who raised their hands last week when asked at the Republican presidential debate if they did not believe in evolution. (Senator Sam Brownback, former Gov. Mike Huckabee and Representative Tom Tancredo said they did not.) "I believe that God designed the universe and created the universe," Mr. Romney said in an interview this week. "And I believe evolution is most likely the process he used to create the human body." ... The (Mormon) Church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints has no definitive position on evolution, and church leaders have disagreed on the issue over the years. Mr. Romney said his answer was satisfactory to faculty members. "They teach evolution at B.Y.U.," he said.

The English Versions of Scripture - Info & Research

"I had perceived by experience, how that it was impossible to stablish the lay people in any truth, except the scripture were plainly laid before their eyes in their mother tongue, that they might see the process, order, and meaning of the text." - William Tyndale, Preface to the Pentateuch, 1530

http://www.bible-researcher.com/versions.html

Pope urges youth to resist 'snares of evil' - "Seek to resist forcefully the snares of evil that are found in many contexts," Pope Benedict told the crowd of some 40,000, with thousands more camped outside the stadium

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP) -- Pope Benedict XVI urged tens of thousands of young Catholics packing a soccer stadium Thursday to resist the temptations of wealth, power and other "snares of evil," and told them to promote life from "its beginning to natural end." ... Before the pope arrived at the stadium, a man clad in a white robe took the stage and asked people in the crowd to stand and raise their right hands. "Yes to life!" the man shouted and the crowd repeated. "No to abortion!"

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/americas/05/10/pope.brazil.ap/index.html

Planned Parenthood Report Shows Record Number of Abortions Done - He pointed out that the nonprofit's incoming is rapidly approaching the \$1 billion mark and that it generated an estimated \$100 million from doing abortions in 2005 - "One can be sure that in addition to killing more human beings than ever before, Planned Parenthood will have taken in more money than ever before"

Washington, DC (LifeNews.com) -- A preview of the latest annual report from the Planned Parenthood Federation of America shows that the nation's largest abortion business is doing more abortions than ever before. The report indicates PPFA affiliates across the country did 264,943 abortions in 2005 alone, increase of 3.9 percent over 2004. ... Douglas Scott, the head of Life Decisions International, a group that monitors corporations that donate to Planned Parenthood, said he found it hypocritical that the abortion business claims birth control and the Plan B drug reduces the number of abortions while doing more abortions than at any point in its history. "Planned Parenthood claims to prevent the 'need' for abortion while simultaneously working to increase its share of the lucrative abortion market," he told LifeNews.com in a statement. ... "One can be sure that in addition to killing more human beings than ever before, Planned Parenthood will have taken in more money than ever before," Scott said.

http://www.lifenews.com/nat3092.html

Rudy Giuliani Will Formally Address Abortion After Planned Parenthood Flap - after defending himself from news reports showing that he's given donations to the Planned Parenthood abortion business on six different occasions

Washington, DC (LifeNews.com) -- The issue of abortion is becoming such a nightmare for GOP presidential candidate Rudy Giuliani that he plans to formally address it in public forums, campaign appearance and interviews in the coming days. Though he will likely attempt to tone down his pro-abortion views, the ex-mayor's strategy may do more to remind the Republican Party's pro-life voters that he's out of touch with their views. ... Asked if the Republican Party would accept an abortion advocate, the former mayor replied, "I guess we are going to find out" and said he was "at peace" with the differences he has on abortion with the party. Meanwhile, the Times reports that the Giuliani campaign is also looking to de-emphasize the importance of the early primary states like Iowa and South Carolina where pro-life advocates represent the lion's share of GOP voters. ... A February Washington Post/ABC News poll found Republican voters are much less likely to vote for Giuliani because of his stance in favor of abortion. The poll also found that half of GOP voters said there is no chance they would support Giuliani because of his pro-abortion views. Only 10 percent said they would be more likely to back Giuliani for the GOP nod because of his pro-abortion views while a large 46 percent said they would be less likely.

http://www.lifenews.com/nat3107.html

Critics complain about record as Romney gets anti-abortion award (Romney contributed \$15,000 to the group) - a universal health care bill Romney signed into law while Massachusetts governor includes a seat for Planned Parenthood -- which includes abortion among its family planning services - and his signing into law (after claiming to be 'Pro-Life') a bill that provides taxpayer-funded abortion in Massachusetts

AGAWAM, Mass. --Conservative activists criticized Mitt Romney over his abortion record Thursday as the Republican presidential contender received an award from an anti-abortion group that also used to complain about his support for abortion rights. ... A coalition including the leaders of the Pro-Life Federation, the Michigan Conservative Union and Massachusetts Resistance was especially critical of the revelation that Romney's wife, Ann, had donated \$150 to Planned Parenthood during her husband's 1994 U.S. Senate campaign. The group also complained because a universal health care bill Romney signed into law while Massachusetts governor includes a seat for Planned Parenthood -- which includes abortion among its family planning services -- on a payment policy board. "His commitment to the pro-life cause has been called into question because of his frequently changing position on the issue of abortion and his signing into law a bill that provides taxpayer-funded abortion in Massachusetts," the group said in a statement. ... Romney contributed \$15,000 to the group, a past critic of his record, last December.

http://www.boston.com/news/nation/articles/2007/05/10/critics complain about romney record/

Google sticks by censorship policy - groups who criticised the company in early 2006 for bowing to pressure from the Chinese government and censoring its search results in China

The motion also named Belarus, Burma, Cuba, Egypt, Iran, North Korea, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and Vietnam as countries where governments restrict access to Internet content. ... Co-founder Sergey Brin admitted earlier this year that the Chinese censorship had damaged the company. "On a business level, that decision to censor ... was a net negative," said Mr Brin, speaking at the Davos World Economic Forum in January.

http://business.guardian.co.uk/story/0,,2077525,00.html

Google shareholders defeat censorship proposal - Google has been stripping its Internet search results in China of information found objectionable by the Chinese government. In exchange, it gets

to do business in the country - "We're comfortable," with the choice to censor, Schmidt told shareholders after Thursday's vote was tallied "It preserves our mission, and helps the Chinese citizens"

SAN FRANCISCO (MarketWatch) - Google Inc. shareholders on Thursday defeated an anti-censorship proposal that the company said threatened its growing Chinese operations. The Office of the Comptroller of New York City, which owns about 500,000 Google shares, asked Google to not do business in China and other countries where it must censor its search results. The issue did not have the Google board's recommendation, thus condemning it to defeat. According to Google Vice President David Drummond, the world's leading Internet search engine would have to abandon its Chinese operations had the proposal passed. Google Chief Executive Eric Schmidt, addressing a question after the proposal was defeated, said Google also has already has taken many of the same steps the shareholders called for, including making it clear to users what results had been censored.

http://www.marketwatch.com/news/story/google-shareholders-reject-censorship-proposal/story.aspx?guid=%7BB273AFE8-13C4-4558-AB7A-C2393FE1F81D%7D

Number of fired prosecutors grows - Dismissals began earlier than Justice Department (Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales) has said - Graves said he was told simply that he should resign - He did appeal to Missouri's senior senator to try to persuade the (Bush) White House to allow him to remain long enough to prosecute a final, important case -- involving the slaying of a pregnant woman and kidnapping of her 8-month fetus - Justice officials rejected the request

Graves said he was told simply that he should resign to "give another person a chance." He said he did not oppose the department's request, because he had already been planning to return to private practice. He did appeal to Missouri's senior senator to try to persuade the White House to allow him to remain long enough to prosecute a final, important case -- involving the slaying of a pregnant woman and kidnapping of her 8-month fetus. Justice officials rejected the request. ... A spokeswoman for Sen. Christopher S. Bond (R-Mo.) confirmed yesterday that Graves had contacted the senator's office after the Justice official suggested he leave -- and that the senator had asked the (Bush) White House for an extension of Graves's tenure, which was not granted.

http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/18581182/

EXCLUSIVE: Ray Comfort Speaks on the Debate - The face-off between two Christians and two atheists - "We felt like two goldfish in a bowl of piranhas - The believers were polite and quiet - The atheists were rude and loud."

Before the debate began, Comfort was pleasantly surprised by his challengers' parents. "The mother of one of the atheists we debated contacted me. She said 'I am a Christian. I watch your television program twice a week, and I am earnestly praying for you guys, and thank you for befriending my son," said Comfort. "The female atheist - the other one who was debating us - her mother is a Christian," added Comfort. "She was sitting in the front row of the church. She came up and said she was earnestly praying for us and thanked us for doing the debate." Comfort told CBN News that Brian and Kelly were deliberately not listening to the evidence proving God's existence. Yet he said, "I pray that God opens the eyes of these guys." ... "We felt like two goldfish in a bowl of piranhas. There were 100 people allowed in the church, 50 percent atheists and 50 percent believers," said Comfort. "The believers were polite and quiet. The atheists were rude and loud."

http://www.cbn.com/cbnnews/154223.aspx

Planned Parenthood sued by teen girl - Cincinnati's Planned Parenthood defended itself against a lawsuit claiming it failed to report a girl's claim that she was being sexually abused by her father - claiming she told clinic workers that she was being sexually abused by her father when he took her there for an abortion in 2004

LEBANON, Ohio (AP) - Cincinnati's Planned Parenthood defended itself against a lawsuit claiming it failed to report a girl's claim that she was being sexually abused by her father. The teenage girl filed the civil suit in Warren County Common Pleas Court on Wednesday, claiming she told clinic workers that she was being sexually abused by her father when he took her there for an abortion in 2004. ... The suit claims the girl's father continued to sexually abuse her for another year and a half because Planned Parenthood never filed a police report. The girl eventually told her future college sports coach about the abuse, and her father was convicted and sentenced to five years in prison. At his trial, prosecutors said he repeatedly abused the girl from the time she was 13 until she was 18. The lawsuit also claims Planned Parenthood subscribes to a "don't ask, don't tell" policy when it comes to abuse.

http://zanesvilletimesrecorder.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070510/UPDATES01/70510005/1002/NEWS 01

Romney's Wife Donated to Planned Parenthood - GOP presidential candidate Mitt Romney said Wednesday reports that his wife donated \$150 to Planned Parenthood in 1994 aren't surprising given his position on abortion at the time {What, Mitt Romney didn't know until he read about it in a news report? This is a very clumsy cover-up.}

GOP presidential candidate Mitt Romney said Wednesday reports that his wife donated \$150 to Planned Parenthood in 1994 aren't surprising given his position on abortion at the time. ... And the disclosure of the Planned Parenthood contribution, first reported by ABC News, is likely to give fresh ammunition to foes already suspicious of his changed position on the issue. ... His wife's donation was made at a time when Romney was unsuccessfully running to unseat U.S. Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., before Romney was elected governor in 2002. The anti-abortion group's plan to give Romney an award is also stirring controversy. Abortion rights activists plan to picket the Republican presidential contender's appearance in Agawam at the Massachusetts Citizens for Life Mother's Day Dinner on Thursday, while abortion opponents are expected to demonstrate on Romney's behalf. A news conference planned by the event's organizer has been canceled, but Romney's staff said its scheduling was a mistake. The focus on the event - the presentation of the group's "Political Leadership Award" to Romney - has critics crying hypocrisy. Romney himself has conceded a shift in his support for abortion rights.

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/ic/2007/5/9/212347.shtml

{Flashback} YouTube Video (23 seconds) - Romneys on abortion 2002 - Mitt Romney and his wife delcare Abortion to be 'just fine' {President Ronald Reagan didn't lie to America and the public like Mitt Romney is doing. ALL of the Governor Romney legislation even after his alleged change has been for extreme abortion, and extreme pro-homosexual making it impossible to trust or believe anything Romney says or does.}

How many times does this have to come up? Mitt has flat out said he was wrong on his position on abortion back then and clearly admiits that he has changed to Pro-Life. Ronald Reagan did it 1 year before his run for President. Many other have changed positions from Pro-Choice to Pro-Life. At least he admits he feels he was wrong in the past.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GKwVNUz52vo

{Flashback} [abortion] Activists remember a different Romney - "You need someone like me in Washington" he said - Making personal appeals on the state's liberal touchstones - gay rights, abortion rights and the environment - Romney developed a persuasive style, convincing audiences that his passion matched theirs and that he was committed to their causes {Don't believe Mitt Romney for one second. Just as quick as he has 'embraced' conservative values is just exactly how quick he is going to reject them if ever elected. If Romney is soooo Pro-Life how did he end up with a pro-abortion wife? Romney's actions speak louder than words, much louder!}

Though Romney's policy shifts have become widely known, his meetings with activists for abortion rights and other causes - which have received far less attention - show he put much work into winning support from Massachusetts' liberal establishment only a few years ago. Making personal appeals on the state's liberal touchstones - gay rights, abortion rights and the environment - Romney developed a persuasive style, convincing audiences that his passion matched theirs and that he was committed to their causes. He impressed environmentalists by using rhetoric sharper than theirs. He met gay-rights activists on their turf, in a restaurant attached to a popular gay bar, and told skeptics he would be a "good voice" and a moderating force within his party. And in many cases, he said his commitment had been cemented by watching the suffering of someone dear to him: a grandchild whose asthma left him worried about air pollution; his wife's multiple sclerosis, which had him placing hope in embryonic stem cell research; the death of a distant relative {This now 'distant relative' has also been quoted as Romney's Aunt. I wonder if this tragic story is even true or if it's just another made for politics drama.} in an illegal abortion, convincing him that the procedure needed to remain legal. In discussing the need to combat global warming, he said he worried about his family's favorite vacation spot.

http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/politics/la-na-romney25mar25,1,5176548.story

{Flashback} Romney sidesteps ultrasound viewing requirement for abortion - Kansas Sen. Sam Brownback, also campaigning in the state, reaffirmed his support Thursday for legislation that would mandate the requirement

LEXINGTON, S.C. - Republican Presidential hopeful Mitt Romney declined yesterday to weigh in on a South Carolina proposal that would require women seeking an abortion to view an ultrasound. Instead, the former Massachusetts governor said states should make their own abortion laws. ... Proponents think women would change their minds after seeing an ultrasound and choose to keep the child or offer it for adoption. Critics consider it a way to intimidate women who already have made a difficult decision. The House approved a version of the bill requiring women to view the images. If that proposal were enacted, it would make South Carolina the only state with such a requirement.

http://www.southcoasttoday.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070414/NEWS/704140345

British Prime Minister Tony Blair: My political journey is over - he would tender his resignation as prime minister to Queen Elizabeth on June 27

LONDON, England (CNN) -- British Prime Minister Tony Blair announced his resignation Thursday as Labour Party leader and prime minister after a decade in power. "I've come back here to Sedgefield, to my constituency, where my political journey began and where it's fitting that it ends," Blair said. "I've been prime minister of this country for just over 10 years ... I think that's long enough for me, but more importantly, for the country." ... At times, the outgoing PM appeared choked with emotion. He thanked the nation for supporting him during his time in office and apologized for his shortcomings -- but not for his actions. "I ask you to accept one thing," he said. "Hand on heart, I did what I thought was right. I may have been wrong -- that's your call.

{Flashback} Blair rejects ex-Baghdad envoy criticism - Prime Minister Tony Blair said Thursday he bore no responsibility for the violence in Iraq, dismissing allegations from a former ambassador to Baghdad that the British leader failed to focus on stabilizing the country immediately after the invasion {Of course who would even think to blame Blair or Bush.}

"No American general ... was given the accountable responsibility to make sure that the first duty of any government - and we were the government - was to keep law and order on the streets," Greenstock said. "There was a vacuum from the beginning into which the looters, the saboteurs, the criminals, the insurgents, moved very quickly." {And now it is these very same "looters, the saboteurs, the criminals, the insurgents" who Bush has put into government and into power in Iraq - because that is who Bush by nature does his business with.}

http://www.chron.com/disp/story.mpl/ap/world/4572515.html

{Flashback} England's P.M. Tony Blair revelations reiterate elite occult obsession - Remember the Aztec Re-birthing rituals, Witchcraft and nail clippings: the weird world of Cherie Blair and "channeling the light"? {This is how Satanists bow to Satan, the god of this world, they bow to each corner of the world. Rock stars often do this during their concerts as they bow in all four directions, fans think it is a bow to them but bowing to an empty backstage reveals it is a bow to the Devil.}

This week's revelations in the London Independent about the obsessive "new age" activities of the Blairs reveal nothing new but serve to reiterate how our leaders are fascinated by "bizarre practices", odd ceremonies and rituals that any right minded person would find eerily occultist, certainly beyond the level an elected so called "Christian" leader should be engaging in. ... The Blairs stood outside a brick pyramid on the hotel's grounds and bowed toward each point of the compass while chanting to each of the four winds. The Pyramid and the compass are of course both ancient elite symbols that have been adopted by secret societies such as the Freemasons in more recent times. {This is how Satanists bow to Satan, the god of this world, they bow to each corner of the world. Rock stars often do this during their concerts as they bow in all four directions, fans think it is a bow to them but bowing to an empty backstage reveals it is a bow to the Devil.}

http://www.prisonplanet.com/Pages/Sept05/210905Blair_revelations.htm

{Flashback} England's P.M. Tony Blair, Bush to discuss Middle East - Blair is scheduled to travel to Washington Wednesday night - part of his agenda will be to stress the role the European Union could play in bolstering the Palestinian Authority's political and economic infrastructure {This is a fake news item in a sense in that England and P.M. Tony Blair (a professed Occultist) are actually running the Iraq show. Iraq is a New World Order plan from England not the USA. The new government of Iraq is modeled after the British Parliament with the current Iraqi leader a Prime Minister (P.M.) Nouri al-Maliki, this is not an American government but a British Parliament government. As usual George W. Bush is clueless and is just along for the ride, Bush will do whatever P.M. Blair tells him to do and currently that is to support the Palestinian Authority and to oppose Israel.}

LONDON, Dec. 4 (UPI) -- British Prime Minister Tony Blair is reportedly frustrated with U.S. President George Bush's Middle East policies and will fly to Washington this week. ... The timing of the visit also comes days after U.S. State Department official Kendall Myers claimed the relationship between Britain and the United States was "totally one-sided" and that Blair's advice on Iraq and the Middle East was routinely ignored by Bush, the newspaper said.Blair is to meet with Bush and U.S. congressional leaders Thursday and the newspaper said government sources said part of his agenda will be to stress the role the European Union could play in bolstering the Palestinian Authority's political and economic infrastructure, which is in tatters as a result of sanctions imposed this year.

http://www.upi.com/NewsTrack/view.php?StoryID=20061204-073004-2830r

EarthTimes - DNC: Romney Ads Can't Buy Security Credentials - While the ad ostensibly focuses on national security, it fails to outline a plan for what Romney would do in Iraq, or even mention the war {*Notice the large 'Take the Survey' McCain 2008 ad. The hyper liberal EarthTimes, what a place to find a large McCain ad rejecting the nation's food-farm subsidies. Is this really McCain's policy and his target audience for his Republican Presidential run? The Republican leaders have lost it they are so phony the party is becoming a joke.}

While the ad ostensibly focuses on national security, it fails to outline a plan for what Romney would do in Iraq, or even mention the war. The fact is, Mitt Romney's plan for Iraq is four more years of President Bush's failed strategy. "Smooth talking Mitt Romney seems to think he can buy security credentials with a blizzard of new TV ads, but what the American people are really looking for is a clear plan to end the war in Iraq," said Democratic National Committee spokesman Damien LaVera. "Romney can cling to President Bush's failed strategy if he wants, but the American people have already rejected one failed leader who took his eye off the ball in the war on terror and refuses to change course in Iraq. They are hardly looking for another."

http://www.earthtimes.org/articles/show/news_press_release,103440.shtml

Three retired generals targeted a dozen members of Congress - in a new ad campaign today, saying they can't support President Bush's policies in Iraq and expect to be re-elected next year - "If members of his own party would pressure him, the president would not be standing like he is"

"I am outraged, as are the majority of Americans. I'm a lifelong Republican, but it's past time for change," retired Maj. Gen. John Batiste told reporters in a conference call. "Our strategy in Iraq today is more of the same, a slow grind to nowhere which totally ignores the reality of Iraq and the lessons of history. Our president ignores sound military advice and surrounds himself with like-minded and compliant subordinates." ... "The fact is, the president has never listened to the soldiers on the ground effectively," said retired NATO Supreme Allied Commander Wesley Clark, who ran for president in 2004. "This administration is not listening to the troops and is not supporting them." ... "If members of his own party would pressure him, the president would not be standing like he is," Horne said.

http://www.stargazettenews.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070509/UPDATE/305090035

Pope Heads to Latin America Bearing Tough Messages - he supports the excommunication of politicians who legalized abortion in Mexico City, laying down a strong message about core church teachings at the start of his first trip to Latin America

ABOARD THE PAPAL PLANE (AP) -- - Pope Benedict XVI said Wednesday he supports the excommunication of politicians who legalized abortion in Mexico City, laying down a strong message about core church teachings at the start of his first trip to Latin America as pontiff. Church teaching calls for automatic excommunication for anyone who has an abortion. In Mexico City, where abortion was legalized during the first 12 weeks of pregnancy, church officials have said that doctors and nurses who perform the procedure, as well as lawmakers who supported its legalization, also would be excommunicated. "It's nothing new, it's normal, it wasn't arbitrary. It is what is foreseen by the church's doctrine," Benedict told reporters aboard a plane to Brazil in his first full-fledged news conference as pope. ... Benedict also said the exodus of Catholics for evangelical Protestant churches in Latin America was "our biggest worry." But he said the spread of Protestantism shows a "thirst for God" in the region, and that he intends to lay down a strategy to answer that call when he meets with bishops from throughout Latin America in a once-a-decade meeting in the shrine city of Aparecida near Sao Paulo. "We have to become more dynamic," he said. Evangelical churches, which the Vatican considers "sects," have attracted millions of Latin American Catholics in recent years. ... "I love Latin America. I have traveled there a lot," he told reporters, adding that he is happy the time had come for the trip after focusing on more urgent problems in the Middle East and Africa. ... Some 5,000 people -- both Catholics and Protestants -- marched against abortion Tuesday in the capital of Brasilia. Similar marches were held in Mexico, where the capital's legislature legalized abortion last month.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,270859,00.html

Where have all the TV viewers gone? - TV's worst spring in recent memory, a startling number of Americans drifted away from television the past two months

In TV's worst spring in recent memory, a startling number of Americans drifted away from television the past two months: More than 2.5 million fewer people were watching ABC, CBS, NBC and Fox than at the same time last year, statistics show. Everyone has a theory to explain the plummeting ratings: early Daylight Savings Time, more reruns, bad shows, more shows being recorded or downloaded or streamed. ... Scariest of all for the networks, however, is the idea that many people are now making their own television schedules. The industry isn't fully equipped to keep track of them, and as a result the networks are scrambling to hold on to the nearly \$8.8 billion they collected during last spring's ad-buying season. "This may be the spring where we see a radical shift in the way the culture thinks of watching TV," said Sarah Bunting, co-founder of the Web site Television Without Pity. ... The networks argue that viewership is changing, not necessarily declining. Some advertisers respond that they are no longer willing to pay full price up front to reach viewers that may not tune in later.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/SHOWBIZ/TV/05/09/tv.missingviewers.ap/index.html

Google preparing to police web - Google security specialist Niels Provos tells New Scientist, "The firewall is dead." He's referring to a shift in the way botnet infections are spread - and it's this shift that's making Google particularly nervous

Increasingly worried by the use of conventional web sites to distribute the viruses that turn innocent PCs into botnet "zombies," Google appears to be readying a plan to police the web. If the plan goes forward, Google will use new software to automatically identify compromised web pages in its database and label them as "potentially harmful" in its search results. Because being labeled as suspicious by Google could devastate a site's traffic, the move would raise the security stakes for site owners dramatically. Google security specialist Niels Provos tells New Scientist, "The firewall is dead." He's referring to a shift in the way botnet infections are spread - and it's this shift that's making Google particularly nervous. Botnet viruses used to be distributed mainly through email attachments or computer worms, both of which could be blocked by firewalls or sniffed out by antivirus software. Over the past year, however, the operators of botnets have shifted to using regular web sites to distribute their malware. Reports New Scientist: As users have grown wary of email attachments and installed firewalls and anti-virus software, however, the bad guys have shifted their attentions to websites in a bid to find more victims ... Even an ordinary website can be risky. At a meeting on botnets held last month in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Provos warned that many web users are becoming the victims of "drive-by" downloads of bots from innocent websites corrupted to exploit browser vulnerabilities. As firewalls allow free passage to code or programs downloaded through the browser, the bot is able to install itself on the PC. Anti-virus software kicks in at this point, but some bots avoid detection by immediately disabling it.

http://www.roughtype.com/archives/2007/05/driveby_malware.php

Is Google's agenda becoming less evil? - In other words, Google will expose evil to the world if there is no cost to the company. But if exposing evil conflicts with Google's business plan, then the company will become an active participant in that evil - as it does with China

In my newest book, "Stop the Presses! The Inside Story of the New Media Revolution," I make the case - and, I think, a pretty darn good one - that the premier Internet search engine company is evil. I won't try to recap all of my evidence, but you can get a good taste of it by reading a news story prepared by my colleagues here at WND. What pushed me over the edge with Google, however, was clearly the way the company kowtowed to the tyrants in Beijing out of a sense of pure greed. When China told Google Internet searches by its people should not bring up pro-democracy and pro-freedom information that could be used to stir hope in the hearts of its population of 1 billion slaves, the company dutifully complied. Remarkable for a company whose slogan is, unbelievably, "Don't Be Evil."

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE ID=55339

Mac share of [internet] surfers doubles in 8 months - Analysts see Intel-powered Macs as pushing the surge and say that Web designers and developers can't afford to keep ignoring Macs

The portion of people surfing the Web using a Mac has doubled in the past eight months, an Internet metrics analyst said Tuesday, and represents an audience that can't be ignored by Web application developers. "The amazing story since last summer has been how well the Mac is doing," said Geoff Johnston, an analyst at WebSideStory. "For the longest time, Mac hung around 3 percent of the operating systems using the Web. But it picked up around last summer and has nearly doubled its market share." Measurements from WebSideStory and rival Net Applications put Apple's Mac OS X at close to or just over 6 percent of all machines in the U.S. that connected to the Web last month. "For the first time since 1999, when we started tracking, the Mac has really made a major push," said Johnston. Since August, the percentage of online Macs running Apple's operating system has climbed from the long-flat 3 percent to 5.6 percent, he said. Net Applications data, which splits the Mac's share between computers running the PowerPC version of Mac OS and those with an Intel edition of the operating system, pegged the total share at 6.2 percent for April. "Mac has almost doubled," Johnston said

Mitt Romney Responds on Intelligent Design - In 2005, Romney said that ID should 'not' be taught in public school science classes - Today's answer confirms that he still feels that way {Mitt Romney is not a Christian and the Mormon (LDS) Cult has nothing in common with Christianity so of course Mormon Mitt does not want TRUE Christian concepts taught in schools or anywhere. Mitt is out to promote Mormonism not Christianity.}

In 2005, Romney said that ID should not be taught in public school science classes. Today's answer confirms that he still feels that way. You can read more about the 2005 comments here but below is his statement that I just received: "[Ex]Governor Romney believes that school curriculum is a decision for local school boards, first and foremost. He welcomes decisions by local school districts interested in teaching intelligent design as part of a religion or philosophy course. He does not think it should be required as part of science curriculum." ... I'm sure the Romney campaign thinks there's little risk here. But let's remember that Romney needs a bunch of Evangelicals to vote for him if he's going to win. Let's also remember that a good portion of them probably believe that if schools are going to teach Evolution as science, then Intelligent Design should be taught side by side. And if you're going to throw Intelligent Design into a religion class, then these same folks think you better do that with Evolution too.

http://www.cbn.com/CBNnews/153751.aspx

Romney Working To Solidify Conservatives - If you talk to those in the Romney camp, he is not just the only candidate worthy to carry the conservative mantle; he is the only conservative candidate that can win the nomination {Mitt Romney is not a conservative candidate but he may be the biggest liar of a candidate and so what if Mitt wins the Republican nomination he will just be an obscure candidate in an increasingly obscure party.}

But Romney's road to the White House is not paved completely with gold. The 50-year-old politician, while sporting the picture perfect "Ozzie and Harriet" family, has some obstacles he has to address prior to claiming the conservative mantle. For pro-life voters, a major bloc of GOP primary voters, Romney's conversion to the pro-life moment conveniently coincided with Romney's ambitions for Pennsylvania Avenue. Such a scenario causes some concern that Romney's pro-life talk will amount to nothing more than talk. And with evangelical voters, another powerful segment of the GOP, the governor's Mormon faith is a sticky issue.

http://www.thebulletin.us/site/news.cfm?newsid=18313367&BRD=2737&PAG=461&dept_id=576361&rfi=6

Ex: 'Demonic' Phil Spector pulled gun after party - "It wasn't him - He was demonic - It scared the hell out of me" - Spector rose to fame in the 1960s and '70s, changing rock music with what became known as the "Wall of Sound" recording technique

LOS ANGELES, California (AP) -- A second woman has testified that Phil Spector threatened her with a gun, saying the music producer suddenly turned "demonic" after a party 18 years ago and tried to rape her. Prosecutors called Dianne Ogden, a music talent coordinator, to support their case that Spector's pattern of threatening women with guns led to the killing of actress Lana Clarkson. She was shot at Spector's suburban Alhambra mansion on February 3, 2003. Ogden testified Monday that Spector seemed to undergo a personality change as she tried to leave another Spector mansion in Pasadena after a party in 1989. "He was screaming at me, the F-word," she said. "He wasn't my Phil, not the man I loved. It wasn't him. He was demonic. It scared the hell out of me." ... "It was like he was taken over by something. It wasn't Phillip."

{Flashback} Rock and Roll Sorcerers of the New Age Revolution - The one that started it all - the original 1992 video expose - A four-hour live seminar given at Hermosa Beach California - Because of the live format - this DVD remains a favorite (DVD)

This video seminar is the most comprehensive music documentary exposing the Satanic influence behind yesterday and today's secular music. It contains irrefutable evidence that demonic beings are leading the world to destruction in fulfillment of biblical prophecy. Don't miss out on the opportunity to own your own copy of this eye opening exposé which is sure to convince even the hardest of skeptics!

http://webinsi5.webinsite.net/mivastore/merchant.mv?Screen=PROD&Store Code=blessedhope&Product Code=VID001&Category_Code=vid

TCS expands relationship with Microsoft to deliver (radio frequency identification) RFID [Tracking Devices] - to deliver RFID solutions to global companies - its RFID solution accelerator for re-usable asset tracking, built using Microsoft BizTalk RFID

At the RFID Journal Live 2007 conference in Orlando, TCS' RFID practice experts will demonstrate its RFID solution accelerator for re-usable asset tracking, built using Microsoft BizTalk RFID. TCS is uniquely positioned to deliver RFID solutions seamlessly to any location worldwide through its Global Network Delivery Model™. TCS' RFID practice group is staffed by core RFID technology experts and industry consultants. It offers solutions and services that cover the full spectrum of RFID deployment including business consulting, architecture design, radio frequency equipment selection and installation, software development and implementation, systems integration, and maintenance. ... In 2003 TCS announced the establishment of a dedicated RFID practice to build technical competence and create assets around RFID solutions. Additionally, in June 2005 TCS launched its RFID Technology Center in Chicago, Illinois, to provide consulting services and solutions to enterprises pursuing business strategies that capitalize on RFID.

 $\frac{http://www.moneycontrol.com/india/news/pressmarket/tcs-expands-relationshipmicrosoft-to-deliver-rfid/28013}{3}$

What is the Mark of the Beast 666 - There are at least three aspects to the Mark of the Beast as explained in the book of Revelation (PDF)

There are at least three aspects to the Mark of the Beast as explained in the book of Revelation. It is an actual mark or marking and it is also an Image (Icon) a representation of the Antichrist (Satan) himself and it is represented in his personal name of, emptiness, which is referenced by the number 666.

http://www.basicchristian.org/Mark%20of%20the%20Beast%20666.pdf

STRANGE DAYS - Chronicles of the End of the Age - Tiny radio frequency identification, or RDIF, tags similar to VeriChip have been embedded in livestock and pets in the millions in recent years as a more secure form of identification than external tags

For over two years we have been covering the moves of Applied Digital Solutions' VeriChip implants, and it looks that what we at first surmised is turning into reality. I remember how ADS, when news first broke out, denied forcefully that their "invention" was to be implanted into people. I personally sent them an e-mail (over two years ago) to ask them this very question and they were in total denial. Well, it turns out that they were lying through their teeth since they ARE now indeed implanting it into human beings. So much for truth and honesty. ... The Food and Drug Administration has cleared the way for a Florida company to market implantable chips that would provide easy access to individual medical records. The approval, which the company announced yesterday, is expected to bring to public attention a simmering debate over a technology that has evoked Orwellian overtones for privacy advocates and fueled fears of widespread tracking of people with implanted radio frequency tags, even though that ability does not yet exist. ... Tiny radio frequency identification, or RDIF, tags similar to VeriChip have been embedded in livestock and pets in the millions in recent years as a more secure form of identification than external tags. But no device maker has yet been able to create a market for human implantable tags like VeriChip, which are the size of a grain of rice and are inserted under the skin of the arm or hand with a syringe.

http://www.apocalypsesoon.org/days-04.html

King Herod's tomb discovered, Israeli university says - Hebrew University professor says researchers have been searching for Roman king's grave for over 30 years

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem announced on Monday the discovery of the grave and tomb of Herod the Great, the Roman empire's "King of the Jews" in ancient Judea. The University said in a brief statement the discovery was made at Herodium, where Herod's hilltop fortress palace once stood some 7 miles from Jerusalem. ... The Roman Senate appointed Herod "King of the Jews" in approximately 40 [B.C.] BCE. He was also well-known for the magnificent structures built at his behest. In addition to the Herodium fortress, he was responsible for the building of Masada and the expansion of the Second Temple in Jerusalem. ... Herod is mentioned in Christian tradition, as well as Jewish tradition: The Gospel of Matthew says heordered the "Massacre of the Innocents", the killing of all young male children in Jesus' birthplace of Bethlehem out of fear he would lose his throne to a new "King of the Jews", whose birth had been related to him by the Magi. According to Matthew, Joseph and Mary fled with baby Jesus to Egypt to escape the slaughter.

http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-3397066,00.html

(Wikipedia) Herod the Great - Herod the Great's son, Herod Antipas (who is also called Herod) is even more prominently featured in the New Testament for his role in John the Baptist's arrest and execution

Shortly after the birth of Jesus, Magi from the East visit Herod to inquire the whereabouts of "the one having been born king of the Jews", because they had seen his star in the east and therefore wanted to pay him homage. Herod, who is himself King of Judea, is alarmed at the prospect of the new-born king usurping his rule. Herod is advised by the assembled chief priests and scribes of the people that the Prophet had written that the "Anointed One" (Grk. ho christos) is to be born in Bethlehem of Judea. Herod therefore sends the Magi to Bethlehem, instructing them to search for the child, and that, when they find him, they should "report to me, so that I too may go and worship him". However, after they find Jesus, the Magi are warned in a dream not to report back to Herod. Similarly, Joseph is warned in a dream that Herod intends to kill Jesus, so Joseph and his family flee to Egypt in order to escape Herod. When Herod realizes he has been outwitted by the Magi, he gives orders to kill all boys of the age of two years and under in Bethlehem and its vicinity. Joseph and his family stay in Egypt until Herod's death, then move to Nazareth in Galilee in order to avoid living under Herod's son Archelaus.

King Herod the Great - the Roman appointed king of Israel in the days of the birth of Jesus

Herod (73-4 BCE) was the pro-Roman king of the small Jewish state in the last decades before the common era. He started his career as a general, but the Roman statesman Mark Antony recognized him as the Jewish national leader. ... On moments like that, it was clear to anyone that Herod was not a Jewish but a Roman king. He had become the ruler of the Jews with Roman help and he boasted to be philokaisar ('the emperor's friend'), entertaining Agrippa, Augustus' right-hand man. On top of the gate of the new Temple, a golden eagle was erected, a symbol of Roman power in the heart of the holy city resented by all pious believers. Worse, Augustus ordered and paid the priests of the Temple to sacrifice twice a day on behalf of himself, the Roman senate and people. The Jewish populace started to believe rumors that their pagan ruler had violated Jewish tombs, stealing golden objects from the tomb of David and Solomon. ... Herod's reign ended in terror. The monastery at Qumran, the home of the Essenes, suffered a violent and deliberate destruction by fire in 8 BCE, for which Herod may have been responsible. When the king fell ill, two popular teachers, Judas and Matthias, incited their pupils to remove the golden eagle from the entrance of the Temple: after all, according to the Ten Commandments, it was a sin to make idols. The teachers and the pupils were burned alive. Some Jewish scholars had discovered that seventy-six generations had passed since the Creation, and there was a well-known prophecy that the Messiah was to deliver Israel from its foreign rulers in the seventy-seventh generation (more...). The story about the slaughter of infants of Bethlehem in the second chapter of the Gospel of Matthew is not known from other sources, but it would have been totally in character for the later Herod to commit such a terrible act.

http://www.livius.org/he-hg/herodians/herod_the_great01.html

Bush OKs 'integration' with European Union - Congress never asked about new obligation - The document acknowledges "the transatlantic economy remains at the forefront of globalization"

President Bush signed an agreement creating a "permanent body" that commits the U.S. to "deeper transatlantic economic integration," without ratification by the Senate as a treaty or passage by Congress as a law. The "Transatlantic Economic Integration" between the U.S. and the European Union was signed April 30 at the White House by Bush, German Chancellor Angela Merkel - the current president of the European Council - and European Commission President José Manuel Barroso. The document acknowledges "the transatlantic economy remains at the forefront of globalization," arguing that the U.S. and the European Union "seek to strengthen transatlantic economic integration." The agreement established a new Transatlantic Economic Council to be chaired on the U.S. side by a cabinet-level officer in the White House and on the EU side by a member of the European Commission.

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=55584

Reports: Six Arrested in Alleged Fort Dix Murder Plot - described as Islamic radicals, and said there is video showing some of the alleged planning

Six people were arrested on Monday in connection with an alleged plot to murder as many soldiers as possible at Fort Dix, according to various media sites. The men, ethnic Albanians, allegedly attempted to purchase automatic weapons from an arms dealer working with the FBI and were arrested in New Jersey after officials learned of the plans, a law enforcement source said. The undercover investigation followed the men, three of whom are brothers, from New Jersey to the Poconos, where they allegedly practiced firing automatic weapons. Officials raided the homes of the men, described as Islamic radicals, and said there is video showing some of the alleged planning.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,270601,00.html

Communist symbol returns to Russian Army's flag - Russia's Parliament has voted to restore the communist-era hammer and sickle to the official flag of the Russian Army

Russia's Parliament has voted to restore the communist-era hammer and sickle to the official flag of the Russian Army. It is expect President Vladimir Putin will ratify the move in time for next week's commemorations marking the end of World War II in Europe. If so, Russians will again have the Soviet version of the victory banner for next week's Victory in Europe parade in Moscow. ... The red banner, together with the hammer, sickle and a white star, was the one raised on the Reichstag roof on May 1, 1945. Millions of people all over the world know that photograph, but in Russia its significance is much deeper, with the Soviet victory over fascism in World War II remaining something seen in almost religious terms.

http://www.abc.net.au/news/newsitems/200705/s1915193.htm

Russian Atrocities in WW2 - Red Army (Russian) soldiers raped two million German women, and thousands of Soviet women in occupied Eastern Europe, says a book published on Monday

Red Army soldiers raped two million German women, and thousands of Soviet women in occupied Eastern Europe, says a book published on Monday.... The rape of Germany left a bitter legacy. It contributed to the unpopularity of the East German communist regime and its consequent reliance on the Stasi secret police. The victims themselves were permanently traumatised: women of the wartime generation still refer to the Red Army war memorial in Berlin as "the Tomb of the Unknown Rapist". ... The day after our noble Soviet allies conquered Neisse, Silesia, 182 Catholic nuns were raped. In the diocese of Kattowitz 66 pregnant nuns were counted. In one convent when the Mother Superior and her assistant tried to protect the younger nuns with outstretched arms, they were shot down. A priest reported in Nord Amerika magazine for November 1, 1945, that he knew "several villages where all the women, even the aged and girls as young as twelve, were violated daily for weeks by the Russians."

http://www.forumgarden.com/forums/showthread.php?t=14322

(Wikipedia) Red Army (Russia) atrocities WWII - serious crimes, which probably offend against international law - or any of its members have ever been charged with, nor has anyone of those ever been convicted of war crimes by a court of law

Red Army atrocities (WWII) gives a short overview about serious crimes, which probably offend against international law, committed by the Red Army's (1918-1946, later Soviet Army) leadership and an unknown number of single members of the Soviet armed forces during World War II (1939-45). Neither by any international military jurisdiction the Red Army's leadership or any of its members have ever been charged with, nor has anyone of those ever been convicted of war crimes by a court of law. ... Crimes committed by the Red Army in occupied territories between 1939 and 1941 and those atrocities of 1944-1945, indeed, in Poland, in the Baltic states, in Romania, in Hungary, in the Czech Republic and in Slovenia have always been present in the historical consciousness of those countries. Nevertheless, a systematic, publicly controlled discussion could begin only after the decay of the Soviet Union[16]. The same goes for those territories occupied by Soviet forces in Manchuria and the Kuril Islands, with the Soviet Union breaching its neutrality pact with Japan in 1945.[17]

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Red_Army_atrocities_(WWII)

Get ready for \$4 gasoline - With prices at record high, demand and refining problems could push them much higher - Any relief in sight? {There is No justifiable or real reason that gas should be \$2.50+ at the pump. I think Bush is desperately trying to fund radical Islam Shiite-Iran with high oil prices while directly funding radical Hamas-Hezbollah with our own tax dollars. Meanwhile the average American citizen is being deprived of the ability to maintain a healthy living standard.}

NEW YORK (CNNMoney.com) -- With gas prices near record highs, experts say \$4-a-gallon gasoline is just around the corner. "I think it's going to happen," said Phil Flynn, a senior market analyst at Alaron Trading in Chicago. "Unless things change dramatically, I think we're going to see \$4 a gallon." As pump prices set new record, experts say demand and refining problems could push them to \$4 in many parts of the country. Is relief in sight? Already, prices in California average \$3.48 a gallon, according to the motorist organization AAA. And one service station in San Francisco was charging \$3.95, according to GasBuddy.com, a handy site that lists the cheapest and most expensive gas stations by city and state across the country. ... Iraq's oil minister insists the future is bright despite bloodshed, bickering and oil industry doubts. CNN's Hugh Riminton reports (May 5).

http://money.cnn.com/2007/05/07/news/economy/gas prices/?postversion=2007050714

Bush Wants Terrorists To Get Haven In U.S. - The president is secretly working to change immigration rules to allow foreign terrorists-including members of al-Qaida, Hamas and Hezbollah-to use the United States as a haven

The president is secretly working to change immigration rules to allow foreign terrorists-including members of al-Qaida, Hamas and Hezbollah-to use the United States as a haven. The Immigration and Naturalization Act specifically bars the United States from accepting members of all armed nongovernmental groups as refugees because they are considered terrorists. These include members of political or social organizations that endorse or espouse terrorist activity as well as the spouses or children of those inadmissible under that category. Now the White House is pushing for an amendment to the law that would give the president authority to wave those longtime restrictions.

http://www.corruptionchronicles.com/2007/05/bush wants terrorists to get h.html

Sunni demand could unravel Iraqi government - Iraq's top Sunni official Iraqi Vice President Tariq al-Hashimi - "If the constitution is not subject to major changes, definitely, I will tell my constituency frankly that I have made the mistake of my life when I put my endorsement to that national accord,"

he said {Good for him, Bush has run a major scam on the Sunni people of Iraq and things need to change for the better for them over there.}

BAGHDAD, Iraq (CNN) -- Iraq's top Sunni official has set a deadline of next week for pulling his entire bloc out of the government -- a potentially devastating blow to reconciliation efforts within Iraq. He also said he turned down an offer by President Bush to visit Washington until he can count more fully on U.S. help. Iraqi Vice President Tariq al-Hashimi made his comments in an interview with CNN. He said if key amendments to the Iraq Constitution are not made by May 15, he will step down and pull his 44 Sunni politicians out of the 275-member Iraqi parliament. "If the constitution is not subject to major changes, definitely, I will tell my constituency frankly that I have made the mistake of my life when I put my endorsement to that national accord," he said. Specifically, he wants guarantees in the constitution that the country won't be split into Sunni, Shiite and Kurdish federal states that he says will disadvantage Sunnis. Al-Hashimi's cooperation with Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki's government is widely seen as essential if there is to be a realistic chance of bridging the Shiite-Sunni divide in Iraq -- one of the key goals of the Bush administration. ... Without a change to the constitution, he said, "The situation would be a disaster for Iraq." He added, "I would like to see the identity of my country, in fact, restored back." Al-Hashimi said he has expressed his concerns to Bush, and that for now he will not travel to the United States unless he knows it will result in action.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/meast/05/07/irag.sunnithreat/index.html

NEWSWEEK Poll: Bush Hits All-Time Low 28% - and the leading Dems beat every major '08 Republican - Coincidence?

It's hard to say which is worse news for Republicans: that George W. Bush now has the worst approval rating of an American president in a generation, or that he seems to be dragging every '08 Republican presidential candidate down with him. But According to the new NEWSWEEK Poll, the public's approval of Bush has sunk to 28 percent, an all-time low for this president in our poll, and a point lower than Gallup recorded for his father at Bush Sr.'s nadir. The last president to be this unpopular was Jimmy Carter who also scored a 28 percent approval in 1979. This remarkably low rating seems to be casting a dark shadow over the GOP's chances for victory in '08. The NEWSWEEK Poll finds each of the leading Democratic contenders beating the Republican frontrunners in head-to-head matchups.

http://uruknet.info/?p=m32676&s1=h1

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White House hopeful Romney woos religious right - Romney, addressing graduates of evangelist Pat Robertson's Regent University in Virginia - The Web site of Robertson's Christian Broadcasting Network lists Mormonism on a page entitled "How Do I Recognize a Cult?" - Still, the evangelist had praise for Romney, including his balancing of the Massachusetts budget without hiking taxes

VIRGINIA BEACH, Virginia (Reuters) - U.S. Republican presidential hopeful Mitt Romney wooed Christian conservatives on Saturday but passed up a chance to address their concerns about his Mormon roots. ... Analysts say Romney, a former Massachusetts governor and investment banker, has lagged in part because of his Mormon faith. Some conservatives have questioned his dedication to their beliefs because he previously supported abortion rights, before changing his public stance in recent years. ... Larry Sabato, a politics professor at the University of Virginia, said Romney would have to address the issue of his faith eventually. "Mormonism is hurting him," he said, adding that Romney's switch on abortion was a political move. "An adult in his 40s and 50s having this overnight conversion -- nobody buys that." Romney previously was a bishop in Massachusetts of the Mormon faith's Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/05/05/AR2007050500489.html

'None of the Above' Beats Romney, Giuliani, and McCain in Conservative Poll - More conservatives say "none of the above" in a just-released poll than vote for any of the present GOP presidential candidates

MANASSAS, Va., May 4 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- More conservatives say "none of the above" in a just-released poll than vote for any of the present GOP presidential candidates, including the three -- Mitt Romney, Rudy Giuliani, and John McCain -- who are considered the GOP front-runners. The presidential preference poll was conducted by the conservative website http://www.conservativesbetrayed.com/. It was taken immediately after the Thursday night GOP presidential contenders' debate at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. "None of these" was the preference of 25.6% of the conservatives who responded to the poll. The most preferred candidate was the most conservative of the nine presidential wannabees, Ron Paul, who at 19.5% edged out Mitt Romney (16.5%). Trailing far behind them were Rudy Giuliani (6.8%) and John McCain (2.3%). Libertarians were tallied separately from conservatives.

Billericay Baptist Church (England) - The Devil's Grip On Your Life (2 Cor 10:1-6) - (Mp3)

Welcome to the Billericay Baptist Church website! We are a large, lively church situated in the Essex town of Billericay in England, with two congregations and a total attendance approaching 600 people. We also have a partnership with Sunnymede Chapel. As a church we believe in a God who is intimately interested in your life. We love to meet together to learn more about Him and of course meet with Him. We place a strong emphasis on teaching from the Bible and on encountering God in worship.

http://billericaybaptist.net/sermon-list?sort=3&series=1

Real Radio - Pastor Jack Hibbs - SPECIAL OFFER OF THE MONTH - 2 DVD Set On Islam

Recently Pastor Jack was asked to teach at the Calvary Chapel Santa Barbara Prophecy Conference. There he laid out some very alarming information about the threat of radical Islam in America. Not only has Islam spread throughout western Europe but it has now come here to America. Its influence has spread throughout our government, our communities and even our schools. If you've been someone who would rather just not know ... it's time to wake up! ... A new friend of the ministry at Calvary Chapel Chino Hills is Brigitte Gabriel, well-known author of the book Because They Hate. Brigitte is a Lebanese Christian who herself is a survivor of terrorism. You may have seen her on national TV news broadcasts such as Hannity and Colmes or Glenn Beck. Through arrangements orchestrated by the Lord we were able to host Brigitte Gabriel for a Sunday evening service. Her message was riveting. You must hear what she has to say. For a gift of any amount in support of Real Radio we will send you both DVDs on Islam in America - Pastor Jack and Brigitte Gabriel.

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Faculty Profile: Reg Grant - Dallas Theological Seminary (DTS) - "DTS's mission is to glorify God by equipping godly servant-leaders for the proclamation of His Word and the building up of the body of Christ worldwide"

He sat on the pew and watched the plates of wafers and grape juice go by-his stomach was churning. Although he was only nine, his appetite rivaled that of almost any boy in town. Leaning over, young Reg asked his mother, "What do I have to do in order to eat?" She said he'd probably have to join the church. He did just that. In the process, however, he found out that communion was about much more than just filling your stomach. The pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Beeville, Texas, gave him a little blue book that explained what [Jesus] Christ had done on the cross for him. "I was pierced to the heart that someone would love me enough to die for me," he later said. After reading the book, he knelt down beside his bed and placed his trust in [Jesus] Christ.

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Romney can run, but he can't hide -- from the hacks - Mitt was a venture capitalist - He took over failing corporations and turned them around by laying off extraneous layers of unneeded people

The former governor of Massachusetts found himself in Simi Valley, Calif., on a stage full of guys with ill-fitting suits, bad hair, fractured syntax and tired eyes. Mitt quit the governorship, raised \$25 million and traveled three time zones for this? Mitt was a venture capitalist. He took over failing corporations and turned them around by laying off extraneous layers of unneeded people. He had to be thinking last night how many of these governmental middle-management types around him need a pink slip from the race, pronto.

http://news.bostonherald.com/columnists/view.bg?articleid=198481

At Satanist Aleister Crowley's death, L. Ron Hubbard ("Battlefield Earth" author) believed that he was the self appointed Messiah to usher in the New Age under Antichrist

Hubbard's occult ties have as of late come under more frequent exposure. Biographer Bent Corydon explains that the Satanist Aleister Crowley's Book of the Law was "perhaps the most important book in the life of L. Ron Hubbard." Before starting Scientology, Hubbard was closely associated with occultist Jack Parsons, the head of Aleister Crowley's Ordo Templi Orientis in California. Known as his "magick partner," Hubbard and Parsons embarked on eclectic occult missions in pursuit of the demonic New Aeon spoken of by Crowley. At Scientology's headquarters in New York, the group's historical records contain letters between Parsons and Crowley that mention Hubbard several times. According to Parsons, Hubbard was ready and willing to bring about the kingdom of the antichrist in accord with Crowley's Magick. Jack Parsons wrote to Crowley early in 1946: ... One of Crowley's teachings was that in order to effectively spread his philosophies one would need to start a new religion. Hubbard's aptitude as a Crowleyian occultist applied this insight, thereby giving birth to his Church of Scientology. Consequently, Scientology's teachings are fully base upon the whole of Crowley's satanic dictums. In his book, Magick in Theory and Practice, Crowley wrote: "The whole and sole object of all true magickal training is to become free from every kind of limitation." Adopting the same stated purpose for Scientology, Hubbard said in a taped Scientology lecture: "Our whole activity tends to make an individual completely independent of any type of limitation.... Old Aleister Crowley had some interesting things to say about this. He wrote the Book of the Law." Crowley's diabolical plan for the New Age was to be renamed and giftwrapped for the new generation under the guise of Scientology. Hubbard copied a distinctively marked cross from the back of Crowley's Tarot-cards, which he used as the main cross and symbol for the Church. Hubbard even boasted to a group of Scientologists of his friendship with Crowley.

http://www.goodfight.org/hwtcruise.html

Mitt Romney's Hidden Geek - What we can learn from Romney's favorite book - You simply need a deep level of weird to like Battlefield Earth - The speed with which some of his aides tried to distance

the [ex]governor from his remarks suggests they think he now looks a little too weird

For those of you who didn't study it in school, Battlefield Earth takes place in the year 3000, when the human race is nearly extinct and the planet stripped of its natural resources. Mankind has been enslaved by evil aliens with very bad breath that explodes when it comes into contact with radioactive material. A young slave wielding lasers and draped in a tennis cardigan leads a rebellion and retakes Earth, only to be attacked again by a series of foes including a race of interstellar bankers trying to collect on bad debts. ... The whole tumbling horror of the Battlefield Earth experience is so profound it nearly comes out the other side and achieves a kind of perfection of awfulness. ... voters may not want to vote in another administration that believes in alternative realities-even if it's just in their nighttime reading-but these are minor concerns.

http://www.slate.com/id/2165373

Former Governor James McGreevey Accepted Into Seminary School - McGreevey resigned from office in August 2004 after admitting he is gay and had cheated on his wife with a man he had hired to be his homeland security adviser

Former New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey has been accepted to an Episcopal seminary school in Manhattan with the intent of starting the process of being a priest. McGreevey applied to study at the General Theological Seminary in New York, the oldest one of the Episcopal church. McGreevey resigned from office in August 2004 after admitting he is gay and had cheated on his wife with a man he had hired to be his homeland security adviser. He is currently going through the "discernment" phase that precedes joining the seminary, Rev. Kevin Bean, vicar at St. Bartholomew's Church in Manhattan, told The Star-Ledger.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,269714,00.html

Iraqi parliament's break tests Congress' patience - They are furious that Iraqi politicians are considering a lengthy break this summer - "If they go off on vacation for two months while our troops fight -- that would be the outrage of outrages" said Rep. Chris Shays, R-Connecticut {The Iraq invasion-rebuild is strictly a part of the British New World Order (NWO) system. Iraq has a British Parliament Government and not an American Republic-Democracy. When Bush invaded Iraq he did it for the NWO and not for any other reason.}

The Iraq parliament's recess, starting this July, would likely come without Baghdad politicians reaching agreements considered key to easing sectarian tensions. Examples include regulating distribution of the country's oil wealth and reversing measures that have excluded many Sunnis from jobs and government positions because of Baath party membership. Talk of the adjournment comes amid a heated debate in Congress on the pullout of U.S. troops in Iraq.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/05/03/congress.iraq.ap/index.html

Bible verse: 1 Timothy 2:1-6 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men ... {The complete Bible is available at BasicChristian.info}

1 Timothy 2:1-6 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time. -- Bible

http://www.basicchristian.info/

Panel cites gross violations of religious freedom in Iraq - Soaring sectarian violence and government abuses have caused an alarming deterioration in religious freedom in Iraq - worship is under severe threat - followers of numerous minority beliefs [*Christians]

WASHINGTON (AP) -- Soaring sectarian violence and government abuses have caused an alarming deterioration in religious freedom in Iraq, prompting a U.S. advisory panel for the first time to place it on a watch list of countries where worship is under severe threat. Citing gross violations of the rights of Sunni and Shiite Muslims, as well as followers of numerous minority beliefs [*Christians], the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom added Iraq to its "watch list" on Wednesday. Violations included arbitrary arrests, torture and rape. Iraq joins Afghanistan, Belarus, Egypt, Bangladesh, Cuba, Indonesia and Nigeria on the list. Their designation is a notch below the designation "country of particular concern," which would make them subject to possible U.S. sanctions.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/meast/05/02/us.iraq.religious.freedom.ap/index.html

Bush veto forces Dems to weigh difficult concessions {Bush doesn't care how far down he drags the nation into his Failed (pro-Shiite) foreign policy. Bush is also running an Iraq-oil scam and he is committed to \$3-\$5 gasoline at the pump no matter what destruction it causes America.}

WASHINGTON (AP) -- President Bush's veto of an Iraq war spending bill that set timelines for U.S. troop withdrawals puts new pressure on Democrats in Congress to craft a compromise even as their caucus grows more fractious on the topic. The party's most liberal members, especially in the House, say they will vote against money for continuing the war if there's no binding language on troop drawdowns. Bush and almost all congressional Republicans continue to insist on a spending bill with no strings attached on troop movements.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/05/02/congress.irag.ap/index.html

Free Ubuntu Download - Ubuntu 7.04 - Supported to 2008

Feel free to view the complete list of download locations and other download options. This list is sorted by continent and country and is updated frequently so that it only includes mirrors that have the most recent files. Note, the list is guite long.

http://www.ubuntu.com/getubuntu/download

Learn how to create a Boot-Install CD from your newly downloaded Ubuntu 7.04 file: - CD image files, called ISOs

Ubuntu is distributed over the Internet as CD image files, called ISOs. To install Ubuntu, you first need to burn its ISO file onto a CD. You need a working CD/DVD burner and an 80 minute (700 Mb) CD for this. This page explains how you can do it using Windows, Mac OS X, Ubuntu and Kubuntu. If the CD writing fails, try writing at a slower burn speed. The CDIntegrityCheck page describes how to verify the integrity of the finished disk. If your finished disk fails to boot when you restart your computer, please refer to the BootFromCD page. The GettingUbuntu page has links to the ISO image files, as well as other methods of GettingUbuntu.

https://help.ubuntu.com/community/BurningIsoHowto

Ubuntu Online User Guide - Ubuntu 7.04 (Feisty Fawn) was released on April 19th, 2007 - This guide is a constantly evolving work-in-progress

This guide was started by Chua Wen Kiat (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia). It is now being maintained by the Linux Center of University of Latvia, and everyone else who is willing to contribute. This guide can be discussed at the official UbuntuGuide.org Forum at ubuntuforums.org. Stop by and join the discussion.

http://ubuntuguide.org/wiki/Ubuntu:Feisty#General Notes

How to install KDE - from the Ubuntu Terminal type "sudo aptitude install kubuntu-desktop" - This installation will require ~400MB of disk space {After installing Ubuntu on your computer you will likely want to upgrade to the free KDE desktop. Both desktops will be available on your computer.}

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http://ubuntuguide.org/wiki/Ubuntu:Feisty#How_to_install_KDE

Bible verse: Psalms 108:1-5 O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory - Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth ... {The complete Bible is available at BasicChristian.info}

Psalms 108:1-5 O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory. Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early. I will praise thee, O LORD, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations. For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds. Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth; -- Bible

http://www.basicchristian.info/

Monitoring Americans - government seems increasingly suspicious of its citizens and Americans as a result are coming under an increasing amount of surveillance

This trend runs counter to American legal tradition and philosophy. In a free society, citizens are innocent until proven guilty. If government, the arbiter of the law, presumes its citizens are innocent, it has no reason to keep them under surveillance. The fact that government now is increasingly surveilling civil society strongly indicates that government no longer trusts the people. In a society in which police task forces are used to intimidate citizens and in which people are placed under constant surveillance, government no longer serves the people, but seeks to be their master. This adversarial relationship between citizens and the state has increasingly characterized the United States since 9/11 - and the result is a society in which citizens come under increasing and near-constant scrutiny by government. ... The most obvious tools of this surveillance state are the now almost-ubiquitous closed-circuit TV (CCTV) cameras that have increasingly popped up on commercial buildings, street corners, highways, and intersections. In New York City, the New York Civil Liberties Union (NYCLU) points out that a 2005 "survey found 4176 cameras below Fourteenth Street, more than five times the 769 cameras counted in that area in 1998." The New York system is still expanding. According to the NYCLU, "The New York City Police Department, spurred by the promise of \$9 million in Federal Homeland Security grants and up to \$81.5 million in federal counter-terrorism funding, announced this year that it plans to create 'a citywide system of closed-circuit televisions' operated from a single control center." Video surveillance is not just confined to New York City. CCTV cameras are showing up in significant numbers around the country.

http://www.jbs.org/node/3682

Senators make clear Bush's wiretap proposal faces uphill battle in Congress - "Is the administration's proposal necessary, or does it take a step further down a path that we will regret as a nation?"

WASHINGTON: Citing FBI abuses and the attorney general's troubles, senators peppered top Justice and intelligence officials Tuesday with skeptical questions about their proposal to revise the rules for spying on Americans. Senate Intelligence Committee members said the Bush administration must provide more information about its earlier domestic spying before it can hope to gain additional powers for the future. "Is the administration's proposal necessary, or does it take a step further down a path that we will regret as a nation?"

http://www.iht.com/articles/ap/2007/05/01/america/NA-GEN-US-Domestic-Spying.php

Tony Blair promised yesterday that he would stand down as Prime Minister "in the next few weeks" - The announcement was a late attempt to avert a large protest vote against Labour in tomorrow's mid-term elections - Mr Blair fears that disillusioned Labour voters intend to give Labour a "kicking" because they are angry with him over issues such as Iraq

He is planning to announce next Wednesday or Thursday that he is resigning as Labour leader. The decision should see Gordon Brown succeed him in Downing Street by July 2. Mr Blair used a television interview on the 10th anniversary of the 1997 general election victory that swept him to power to confirm that he will be gone within weeks. ... Mr Blair fears that disillusioned Labour voters intend to give Labour a "kicking" because they are angry with him over issues such as Iraq.

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/main.jhtml?xml=/news/2007/05/02/nblair02.xml

Bush Will Lie To Us "About Anything" - the Maliki "government" can't meet any benchmarks, even if they were enforced, because that government exists only as a fictional White House talking point

To pick just one overarching example: much of the press still takes it as a given that Iraq has a functioning government that might meet political benchmarks (oil law, de-Baathification reform, etc., etc.) that would facilitate an American withdrawal. In reality, the Maliki "government" can't meet any benchmarks, even if they were enforced, because that government exists only as a fictional White House talking point. As Gen. Barry McCaffrey said last week, this government doesn't fully control a single province. Its Parliament, now approaching a scheduled summer recess, has passed no major legislation in months. Iraq's sole recent democratic achievement is to ban the release of civilian casualty figures, lest they challenge White House happy talk about "progress" in Iraq.

http://www.bushwatch.com/

Obama: Iraq Veto Bush's Latest Foolhardy Step - In a conference call, the Illinois senator criticized President George W. Bush for massive policy blunders in Iraq, but he also said that impeaching him or calling him a war criminal is a waste of time

Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama spoke with Iowa veterans Tuesday. In a conference call, the Illinois senator criticized President George W. Bush for massive policy blunders in Iraq, but he also said that impeaching him or calling him a war criminal is a waste of time. "We have to reserve terms like war criminal to behavior that goes beyond initiating a foolhardy war," Obama said. ... Obama said Democrats need to continue pressing Bush to withdraw troops from Iraq, but that the effort would fail without more support from independents and Republicans.

http://www.kcci.com/news/13238673/detail.html

Bush Vetoes Troop Withdrawal Bill - Democrats accused Bush of ignoring Americans' desire to stop the war, which has claimed the lives of more than 3,350 members of the military

"The president wants a blank check," said House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., moments after Bush's appearance. "The Congress is not going to give it to him." She said lawmakers would work with him to find common ground but added that there was "great distance" between them on Iraq. The legislation amounted to a rare rebuke of a wartime president and an assertion by Democrats that Congress must play a major role in Iraq and the extent of U.S. involvement. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said Bush has an obligation to explain his plan for responsibly ending the war. "If the president thinks by vetoing this bill, he'll stop us from working to change the direction of the war in Iraq, he is mistaken," Reid said.

http://www.forbes.com/feeds/ap/2007/05/01/ap3674544.html

OliveTreeViews.org: "90 Minutes in Heaven" - Are such experiences legitimate? When one dies, is there a scripture verse that says some will visit Heaven (or hell) and return to tell the world about it? Not really - What, then, can we make of the many people who claim to have made these journeys?

I have had numerous emails and inquiries about the best-selling Don Piper book, "90 Minutes in Heaven." Are such experiences legitimate? When one dies, is there a scripture verse that says some will visit Heaven (or hell) and return to tell the world about it? Not really. What, then, can we make of the many people who claim to have made these journeys? Piper is sincere and loves God. He seems to believe that he experienced Heaven and has been called by God now to share his experience. He's impressed a lot of people as the book has sold over 500,000 copies. I believe he wants to encourage Christians. He says, "Because I was able to experience Heaven, I was able to prepare for it. And now I am preparing you." Many over the years have claimed similar experiences due in part because "experiential Christianity" is so popular. I have to ask, "What was wrong with that old time religion where [we] just studied God's Word and didn't go beyond it?" We didn't need supernatural happenings? The Bible could stand alone. We could long for and anticipate Heaven even if all we know of it comes from the Bible.

http://www.olivetreeviews.org/articles/Jans_eUpdates.shtml#newsitemEEZlpypkZZDmazKiol

Truths That Transform - Dr. D. James Kennedy - 90 Minutes in Heaven 1 (Mp3)

Don Piper's ride home was not a pleasant experience! Not only was he killed in a car accident...he came back to life 90 minutes later with tremendous pain! So, what happened in-between, and why is Don Piper alive to tell his story today?

http://www.oneplace.com/ministries/Truths_That_Transform/archives.asp

Constitution Party - Press Releases (Articles)

Note that the official positions of the Constitution Party are stated in our platform. This article or transcript contains the opinions of the author and are not necessarily to be construed as representing the official positions of the CP. Nevertheless, we hope you find this piece thought-provoking and helpful as you consider what you can do to help "Restore the Republic".

http://www.constitutionparty.com/news.php?cat=Press%20Release

Bush impeachment calls grow louder - Bush's critics have long charged that he illegally manipulated intelligence to accuse the Iraqi government of late president Saddam Hussein of secretly stockpiling weapons of mass destruction, thereby creating a false pretext for the war - and by lying and violating the trust of the American people

April was one of the deadliest months in Iraq since the 2003 U.S.-led invasion, with hundreds of Iraqi civilians and over 100 American troops killed, further increasing pressure on President Bush, whose "troop surge" plan showed no signs of progress in either halting Iraq's raging violence or reducing the mounting death toll. Bush's repeated threats to veto a Democrat-backed legislation linking war funding to the withdrawal of U.S. troops by the end of next March intensified calls for the president's impeachment over his handling of the war in Iraq. ... Bush's critics have long charged that he illegally manipulated intelligence to accuse the Iraqi government of late president Saddam Hussein of secretly stockpiling weapons of mass destruction, thereby creating a false pretext for the war. The White House strongly denies the intelligence manipulation charge, despite the fact that no weapons of mass destruction were found in Iraq. ... "The administration's actions in deceiving Congress and the nation about the threat posed by Iraq to illegally justify starting the war are particularly outrageous and just the start," Williams said, accusing the Bush administration of violating the UN charter by launching an illegal "war of aggression" against Iraq without cause and by lying and violating the trust of the American people.

MORE ON ROMNEY'S READING LIST - As we mentioned earlier today, Romney told FOX yesterday that L. Ron Hubbard's "Battlefield Earth" is his favorite novel - "I'm dumbfounded. Mitt Romney was a valedictorian English Major (B.A., Brigham Young University, 1971)."

As we mentioned earlier today, Romney told FOX yesterday that L. Ron Hubbard's "Battlefield Earth" is his favorite novel. The Romney campaign replied to First Read that the governor "is an avid reader and has read many books." And, per his Facebook site, other books he likes include "Huckleberry Finn," Richard Ben Cramer's "What It Takes," Edmund Morris' "Theodore Rex," and Tom Friedman's "The World is Flat."

http://firstread.msnbc.msn.com/archive/2007/05/01/176524.aspx

Afghan students burn Bush effigy in protest - The incident came amid concern about claims of heavy civilian casualties in the western province of Herat - "If the Americans have suspicions of people they must arrest the suspects and try them in a court not directly kill them in their houses with their family"

JALALABAD (Afghanistan): Afghan students burned an effigy of US President George W Bush on Tuesday as they rallied in a third day of protests against civilians alleged to have been killed by coalition troops. A crowd of about 500 blocked a highway in the eastern province of Nangarhar, where six people were killed on Sunday. The incident came amid concern about claims of heavy civilian casualties in the western province of Herat. ... "If the Americans have suspicions of people they must arrest the suspects and try them in a court not directly kill them in their houses with their family," he said.

http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/World/Rest_of_World/Afghan_students_burn_Bush_effigy_in_protest/articleshow/1985870.cms

Shadowy Iraq office accused of sectarian agenda - Iraq's prime minister has created an entity within his government that U.S. and Iraqi military officials say is being used as a smokescreen to hide an extreme Shiite agenda that is worsening the country's sectarian divide

BAGHDAD, Iraq (CNN) -- Iraq's prime minister has created an entity within his government that U.S. and Iraqi military officials say is being used as a smokescreen to hide an extreme Shiite agenda that is worsening the country's sectarian divide. The "Office of the Commander in Chief" has the power to overrule other government ministries, according to U.S. military and intelligence sources. Those sources say the 24-member office is abusing its power, increasingly overriding decisions made by the Iraqi Ministries of Defense and Interior and potentially undermining the entire U.S. effort in Iraq. The Office, as it is known in Baghdad, was set up about four months ago with the knowledge of American forces in Iraq. Its goal is ostensibly to advise Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki -- the nation's new commander in chief -- on military matters. According to a U.S. intelligence source, the Office is "ensuring the emplacement of commanders it favors and can control, regardless of what the ministries want."

Shadowy Iraq office accused of sectarian agenda

Daily Encouragement Net Podcast - Daily Encouragement Net is encouraging followers of Jesus Christ with hope and encouragement from the Bible (Mp3)

Mon, 30 April 2007 "Purity" (1 Timothy 5:22) "I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl" (Job 31:1). "Keep yourself pure" (1 Timothy 5:22).

http://dailyencouragement.libsyn.com/

Thru the Bible Sunday Sermons - Dr. J. Vernon McGee (Mp3)

These Sunday Serrmon messages form a collection of the most effective and fruitful sermons given by Dr. J. Vernon McGee during his 21-year pastorate (1949-1970) at the historic Church of the Open Door when it was located in downtown Los Angeles.

http://www.oneplace.com/ministries/Thru The Bible Sunday Sermon/Archives.asp

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http://store.calvarychapel.com/cccm_store_/catalog/display.php?cartid=200704306197824&zid=1&lid=1&psk u=978471221104&mode=sp

Bill on Iraq to Be Delivered 4 Years After Bush's Words - on the fourth anniversary of the day Mr. Bush stood on an aircraft carrier under the banner "Mission Accomplished" and declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended

WASHINGTON, April 30 - Democratic leaders in Congress are planning a special ceremony on Tuesday afternoon to send President Bush a bill that sets timetables for troop withdrawal from Iraq. Go to Complete Coverage » The timing is no accident. It comes on the fourth anniversary of the day Mr. Bush stood on an aircraft carrier under the banner "Mission Accomplished" and declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended. ... Democratic leaders delivered a final argument on Monday for Mr. Bush to sign the bill. "We ask him again to listen to the American people and his own military experts," Mr. Reid said on the Senate floor. "We ask that he finally summon the courage to admit his mistakes and take the steps we propose to begin to heal the grave wounds he has caused."

http://www.nytimes.com/2007/05/01/world/worldspecial/01cong.html

Veto Bush's Veto - By vetoing it, he's just showing that he really doesn't want to fund the troops and he wants to blame it on the Democrats

I don't understand why in the **** the Democrats don't understand that they have the upper hand here, why they won't take control, why they won't show some gumption and start leading instead of following Baby Bush, why they're so afraid of another Baby Bush tantrum. ... THEY'RE JUST STALLING, ANYWAY... The Dem candidates have bought that PNAC project for endless profits through endless wars and World Domination. The 'fight' is only over which Party gets to be The Dictator. NONE of the "leading candidates" gives a fatratsazz about AMERICANS or about America! They are ALL totally self-serving, and if you don't know that by now, you're on another planet. BOTH party Candidates are equally rotten! It is time for a third party... preferably a NON party! It would be a VERY HEALING thing to have 4 years of NEITHER Repub NOR Dem with their damnedable dirty corruption.

http://www.opednews.com/articles/opedne_ed_marti_070422_vetoing_bush_s_veto.htm

Many Washington ties in Romney camp - stocked with Washington insiders, even as he proudly casts himself as a political outsider on the campaign trail

BOSTON - Republican Mitt Romney is heading a presidential campaign stocked with Washington insiders, even as he proudly casts himself as a political outsider on the campaign trail. ... Romney has ceded his polling, advertising and large chunks of his communications and strategy to specialists from inside the Beltway. ... "I do not believe Washington can be transformed from within by a lifelong politician," the former Massachusetts governor declared Feb. 13 in his campaign announcement speech. "There have been too many deals, too many favors, too many entanglements and too little real world experience managing, guiding, leading." ... the former Massachusetts governor is being advised by a core group similar to that which served him in the Statehouse, even as he imports Washington talent to his campaign headquarters overlooking Boston Harbor.

http://www.newsone.ca/ottawarecorder/stories/index.php?action=fullnews&id=504

{Flashback} \$6m more OK'd for (Massachusetts Turnpike) Big Dig repairs - {No wonder Gov. Big Dig Mitt Romney only wants to talk about the 02 Winter Olympics, not sure anyone would want this taxpayer fiasco on their Presidential resume!}

The Massachusetts Turnpike Authority yesterday approved an additional \$6 million to pay for Big Dig repairs, increasing the price tag from last summer's fatal tunnel ceiling collapse to \$31 million -- with more potentially to come. ... About a month after Del Valle's death, Big Dig officials sought and received \$15 million for fixes, but warned that the amount was a preliminary estimate. In December, the turnpike authority board approved another \$10 million at the request of Big Dig officials. The Turnpike Authority board's chairman, John Cogliano , who presided over the aftermath of the tunnel collapse as transportation secretary under former governor Mitt Romney , said any initial estimates made on repair costs were based on limited information. "If you go back to July, we didn't know," he said. "We didn't know what the problems were. I would be hard pressed to come up with an estimate back then." ... The money has come from the state government's bond account. Attorney General Martha Coakley is contemplating a lawsuit against Big Dig contractors to recover the money.

http://www.boston.com/news/local/articles/2007/03/01/6m more okd for big dig repairs/

Romney's 'sixth son' handles campaign money - Mitt Romney has five sons, but if he had another, it would be Spencer Zwick - Zwick grew up in Salt Lake City, but also lived abroad for almost 10 years of his childhood in Chile and Brazil - He served a Mormon Church mission to Bangkok, Thailand

Zwick, 28, has been the presidential candidate's right-hand man for years, and now as Romney's national finance director, he is heading up the most crucial part of Romney's White House bid. Zwick, a holdover from Romney's days as the chief of the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics, is at the gut of Romney's campaign, and recently oversaw one of the most impressive hauls of campaign cash for a Republican candidate this early in the game: \$21 million in less than three months.Romney and his wife, Ann, have called Zwick their "sixth son," a far cry from when the Brigham Young University student volunteered to translate documents for the Salt Lake Organizing Committee in advance of the Games. Zwick's first success in the campaign came a few days after Romney announced his presidential exploratory committee. Zwick organized a large fund-raising event and called it a National Call Day. Executives, friends, associates and supporters filled out a convention-hall ballroom and raised \$6.5 million in one day. ... I don't know exactly what I'll do, but at least in the next several years I'm going to do everything I can to get Mitt Romney the resources he needs so he can be the next president of the United States."

http://www.scrippsnews.com/node/22032

Worldwide Terror Attacks Up By 25 Percent in 2006

WASHINGTON - Terrorist attacks worldwide shot up 25 percent last year, particularly in Iraq where extremists used chemical weapons and suicide bombers to target crowds. In its annual global survey of terrorism to be released Monday, the State Department says about 14,000 attacks took place in 2006, mainly in Iraq and Afghanistan. These strikes claimed more than 20,000 lives - two-thirds in Iraq. That is 3,000 more attacks than in 2005 and 5,800 more deaths. ... The numbers were compiled by the National Counterterrorism Center and refer to deaths and injuries sustained by non-combatants," with significant increases in attacks targeting children, educators and journalists. "By far the largest number of reported terrorist incidents occurred in the Near East and South Asia," says the 335-page report, referring to the regions where Iraq and Afghanistan are located.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,269276,00.html

Maliki's office is seen behind purge in forces - Some top commanders who were removed, arrested had pursued militias - several were considered to be among the better Iraqi officers in the field - The dismissals have angered U.S. and Iraqi leaders who say the Shiite-led government is sabotaging the military to achieve sectarian goals

BAGHDAD - A department of the Iraqi prime minister's office is playing a leading role in the arrest and removal of senior Iraqi army and national police officers, some of whom have apparently worked too aggressively to combat violent Shiite militias, according to U.S. military officials in Baghdad. Since March 1, at least 16 army and national police commanders have been fired, detained or pressured to resign; at least nine of them are Sunnis, according to U.S. military documents shown to The Washington Post. ... "Their only crimes or offenses were they were successful" against the Mahdi Army, a powerful Shiite militia, said Brig. Gen. Dana J.H. Pittard, commanding general of the Iraq Assistance Group, which works with Iraqi security forces. "I'm tired of seeing good Iraqi officers having to look over their shoulders when they're trying to do the right thing." The issue strikes at a central question about the fledgling government of Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki: whether it can put sectarian differences aside to deliver justice fairly.

http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/18386897/

Iran confirms it will attend summit on Iraq - Iran, a Muslim Shiite-majority nation, has considerable influence among Iraqi Shiites

Tehran, Iran (AP) -- Iran on Sunday confirmed it will attend this week's conference on Iraq in the Egyptian resort of Sharm el-Sheik, saying its delegation will be headed by its foreign minister. The announcement will be widely welcomed as Iran, a Muslim Shiite-majority nation, has considerable influence among Iraqi Shiites, who now lead the Baghdad government. Iran is also suspected of having influential links with Shiite insurgent groups -- although it has repeatedly denied such ties. ... In Baghdad, an adviser in the prime minister's office, Sadiq al-Rikabi, confirmed Larijani would meet senior Iraqi officials. "It is a very important visit," he added.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/meast/04/29/iran.iraq.ap/index.html

{Flashback} Once Opposed, Bush Begins Nation Building - As a candidate for the presidency in 2000, George W. Bush insisted that, if elected, he would not allow U.S. military forces to engage in "nation building" - Before the U.S.-led invasion, Iraq was a secular nation and westernized in many ways {Now Iraq is well on its way to being entrenched in radical Shiite Islam and being in partnership with radical Iran and radical Hamas. Of course this has been the secret Bush plan from the start!}

WASHINGTON -- As a candidate for the presidency in 2000, George W. Bush insisted that, if elected, he would not allow U.S. military forces to engage in "nation building." No way would he follow President Bill Clinton's foray into nation building in the Balkans, Bush declared. Famous last words. Now that we have blasted Iraq to save it, Bush is in the business of nation building as U.S. military forces struggle to put that broken nation back together. Nation building in Iraq means not only getting the water and electrical supply going and arranging garbage collections. It also means writing a new constitution and creating a government. In the meantime, U.S. troops are performing basic police functions like directing traffic. The Bush administration is so eager to run Iraq that it insists on limiting the role of the United Nations to humanitarian relief. ... Before the U.S.-led invasion, Iraq was a secular nation and westernized in many ways, under the iron rule of ruthless dictator Saddam Hussein. It had one of the best water systems in the Middle East. The socialist regime provided free education and access to health care. But of course, Iraqis had none of the freedoms we cherish.

http://www.thebostonchannel.com/helenthomas/2117601/detail.html

Satellite navigation users at risk for false messages - Two security experts have discovered a way to inject false messages -- some amusing and others potentially frightening -- into car satellite navigation systems

April 20, 2007 (IDG News Service) Two security experts have discovered a way to inject false messages -some amusing and others potentially frightening -- into car satellite navigation systems. Andrea Barisani,
chief security engineer for Inverse Path Ltd. and Daniele Bianco, a hardware hacker at Inverse Path, used off
the shelf equipment to transmit messages to their car satellite navigation system warning of conditions
ranging from foggy weather to terrorist attacks. They presented their findings on Friday at CanSecWest a
security conference taking place this week in Vancouver. ... Some were amusing. One code number alerts
users that there's a bull fight in progress. Another one indicates delays due to a parade. But some weren't so
funny. One tells users that there has been a terrorist incident. Another indicates a bomb alert and another an
air crash. The researchers demonstrated this capability in order to spread awareness that this type of hack
could happen maliciously. Barisani advises satellite navigation users that if they ever see an alarming
message on their device, "don't freak out immediately, listen to the news on the radio to get confirmation."

http://www.computerworld.com/action/article.do?command=printArticleBasic&articleId=9017379

Two charged with hacking LA traffic lights - Disruption occurred just before August job action

January 10, 2007 (IDG News Service) -- Two men have been charged with illegal computer access after they allegedly hacked into the Los Angeles city traffic center to turn off traffic lights at four intersections last August. The two men, both engineers with the city's Automated Traffic Surveillance Center, accessed city computers on the morning of Aug. 21, and were able to turn off signal control boxes just hours before a job action by city engineers, the Los Angeles district attorney said in a statement released late last week. The accused were able to bar other city employees from accessing the computer system to put the lights back online. No accidents were reported, but it took four days to fix the city's traffic control system, the statement said.

http://www.computerworld.com/action/article.do?command=viewArticleBasic&articleId=9007751

Microsoft explains how the ANI bug got baked into Vista - Some of Microsoft's own development and testing tools also failed to flag the code, which Howard said was taken from Windows 2000, a seven-year, two-month-old operating system

Zaterdag 28 april 2007, 11:58 - In a postmortem of last month's Windows animated (.ANI) cursor vulnerability, one of Microsoft Corp.'s security development gurus Friday spelled out how the bug sneaked into Vista. Michael Howard, an authority on Microsoft's Security Development Lifecycle (SDL) -- a multipart initiative that aims to get developers to design more secure code -- posted an extensive entry on the brand-new SDL blog that outlined lessons learned from the ANI vulnerability. "SDL is not perfect, nor will it ever be perfect," Howard acknowledged Thursday. "We still have work to do, and this bug shows that." ... Some of Microsoft's own development and testing tools also failed to flag the code, which Howard said was taken from Windows 2000, a seven-year, two-month-old operating system. ... "This is the gap that we're seeing in the [SDL] process," added Friedrichs, "in that flawed legacy code can make it into a current version of Windows. And this gives them an incentive to analyze that legacy code. I would if I were in their shoes." "They're obviously recognizing that detecting these vulnerabilities is getting more complicated, and they must get more complex in their response," said Bitle.

http://www.webwereld.nl/articles/46189/microsoft-explains-how-the-ani-bug-got-baked-into-vista.html

Working Replica of Noah's Ark Opens (Photos) - Do you believe there was a real Noah's Ark as described in the Bible? (Poll)

Members of the Bible Archaeology Search and Exploration Institute claimed they found the remnants of Noah's Ark in 2006 on Mount Suleiman in Iran. What the team found jutting out of the mountain was about the size of a small aircraft carrier, similar to the Ark's dimensions as described in the Bible.

http://news.aol.com/topnews/articles/_a/working-replica-of-noahs-ark-opens/20070428184909990001?ncid= NWS0001000000001

New Noah's Ark ready to sail - a replica of the biblical Ark, built by Dutch creationist Johan Huibers as a testament to his faith in the literal truth of the Bible

SCHAGEN, Netherlands (AP) -- The massive central door in the side of Noah's Ark was thrown open Saturday -- you could say it was the first time in 4,000 years -- drawing a crowd of curious pilgrims and townsfolk to behold the wonder. Of course, it's only a replica of the biblical Ark, built by Dutch creationist Johan Huibers as a testament to his faith in the literal truth of the Bible. Reckoning by the old biblical measurements, Johan's fully functional ark is 150 cubits long, 30 cubits high and 20 cubits wide. That's two-thirds the length of a football field and as high as a three-story house. Life-size models of giraffes, elephants, lions, crocodiles, zebras, bison and other animals greet visitors as they arrive in the main hold. ... Under sunny skies Saturday, Huibers said he wasn't worried about another biblical flood, since according to Genesis, the rainbow is the sign of God's promise never to flood the world again. But he does worry that recent events such as the flooding of New Orleans could be seen as a portent of the end of time. Huibers said he hopes the project will renew interest in Christianity in the Netherlands, where churchgoing has fallen dramatically in the past 50 years. He also plans to visit major cities in Belgium and Germany.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/europe/04/28/dutch.ark.ap/index.html

As it was in the Days of Noah - The time leading up to the Great Flood was a lot like our time in that it was characterized by a deliberate and increasing disregard for the ways of God

As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be at the coming of the Son of Man (Matt 24:37). The time leading up to the Great Flood was a lot like our time in that it was characterized by a deliberate and increasing disregard for the ways of God. Finally "the Lord saw how great man's wickedness on earth had become and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time" (Gen. 6:5). ... the sequence of events suddenly became so obvious to me. Enoch was taken alive from earth and the Holy Spirit was withdrawn. Then in Gen. 6:5 man's behavior is described as having become unbearably wicked and in Gen. 7 the judgement came, in that order. Enoch's name means teaching and according to Jude 14-15 he gave the first prophecy of the 2nd coming. ... If Enoch is indeed a model of the church and if the Lord's prophecy of Matt 24:37 includes the sequence of events, as seems likely, then one day soon we will be taken alive (raptured) from earth, the Holy Spirit withdrawn. Man's behavior will become unbearably wicked and the judgement will come, all in that order. As it was in the days of Noah. Selah.

http://www.gracethrufaith.com/selah/prophecy/as-it-was-in-the-days-of-noah

As The Days of Noah Were - Luke 17:26: "And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man"

The Reason for the Flood: It was the infusion of these strange (demonic) beings into the human predicament that brought on the Flood of Noah. The Flood was preceded by four generations of prophets/preachers warning of the coming judgment: Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech, and Noah. It seems that this was part of Satan's stratagem to corrupt the line of Adam to prevent the fulfillment of the Messianic redemption. Noah was apparently unique in that his genealogy was still uncorrupted. The strange events which led to the flood are also alluded to in ancient mythologies. The legends of the Greek "titans"---partly terrestrial, partly celestial---embrace these same memories. (The Greek titan is linguistically linked to the Chaldean sheitan, and the Hebrew satan.)

http://www.ldolphin.org/noahdays.html

Bush to veto troop-funding bill - The Democrat-led Congress plans to send Mr Bush a bill tomorrow that gives \$124 billion for the Iraq war but requires a pull-out to begin by October 1 - The White House has said Mr Bush will waste no time in vetoing it

A FIERCE political battle over a Democratic Party plan to pull US troops from Iraq is moving towards a critical stage as President George Bush prepares to veto the bill. But talks on a new bill have already quietly begun. The Democrat-led Congress plans to send Mr Bush a bill tomorrow that gives \$124 billion for the Iraq war but requires a pull-out to begin by October 1. ... Democrats will highlight the unprecedented rebuke they are delivering to Mr Bush when they send him their bill tomorrow, the fourth anniversary of Mr Bush's speech on an aircraft carrier declaring the end to major combat operations in Iraq. As a reminder of the anniversary, anti-war groups are running television advertisements showing footage of Mr Bush on the carrier, decorated with a "Mission Accomplished" banner. ... The showdown comes as Mr Bush's unpopularity and a string of political setbacks have created a toxic climate for the Republican Party as it struggles to raise money and recruit candidates for its drive to retake control of Congress. Some of the party's top choices to run for the House next year have declined. ... their clout diminished after November's mid-term election losses

http://www.theage.com.au/news/world/bush-to-veto-troopfunding-bill/2007/04/29/1177787971134.html

Once Opposed, Bush Begins Nation Building - As a candidate for the presidency in 2000, George W. Bush insisted that, if elected, he would not allow U.S. military forces to engage in "nation building" - Before the U.S.-led invasion, Iraq was a secular nation and westernized in many ways {Now Iraq is well on its way to being entrenched in radical Shiite Islam and being in partnership with radical Iran and radical Hamas. Of course this has been the secret Bush plan from the start!}

WASHINGTON -- As a candidate for the presidency in 2000, George W. Bush insisted that, if elected, he would not allow U.S. military forces to engage in "nation building." No way would he follow President Bill Clinton's foray into nation building in the Balkans, Bush declared. Famous last words. Now that we have blasted Iraq to save it, Bush is in the business of nation building as U.S. military forces struggle to put that broken nation back together. Nation building in Iraq means not only getting the water and electrical supply going and arranging garbage collections. It also means writing a new constitution and creating a government. In the meantime, U.S. troops are performing basic police functions like directing traffic. The Bush administration is so eager to run Iraq that it insists on limiting the role of the United Nations to humanitarian relief. ... Before the U.S.-led invasion, Iraq was a secular nation and westernized in many ways, under the iron rule of ruthless dictator Saddam Hussein. It had one of the best water systems in the Middle East. The socialist regime provided free education and access to health care. But of course, Iraqis had none of the freedoms we cherish.

http://www.thebostonchannel.com/helenthomas/2117601/detail.html

{Flashback} The DaVinci Code Movie "Seek The Truth" Sony Pictures Movie Trailer **{Oops No Truth in This Movie}**

Full length movie trailer.

http://www.sonypictures.com/movies/thedavincicode/

State Department official resigns over 'D.C. madam' - A top State Department official resigned Friday after revealing to ABC News that he had been a client of the alleged "D.C. madam's" (prostitute) escort service

WASHINGTON (CNN) -- A top State Department official resigned Friday after revealing to ABC News that he had been a client of the alleged "D.C. madam's" escort service. A State Department official, on condition of anonymity, confirmed to CNN the reason for Randall Tobias' departure as director of U.S. Foreign Assistance and administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development. The State Department said that Tobias, 65, resigned for "personal reasons." ABC reported on its Web site that Tobias, 65, said Thursday that he had used Deborah Jeane Palfrey's escort service "to have gals come over to the condo to give me a massage." He told the network that there was no sex involved. ... Two weeks ago, Palfrey revealed the name of another purported client in a court document. In a motion filed with the court regarding her counsel, Palfrey named Harlan K. Ullman as "one of the regular customers" of her business. Ullman denied the allegation. Ullman is one of the leading theorists behind the "shock and awe" military strategy that was associated with the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/04/27/dc.madam/index.html

{Flashback} Bush Visits Hawaii - The acting director of the White House Travel Office was robbed and beaten in Waikiki early Tuesday morning outside a night - strip club (Bobby G's Dance Club)

The acting director of the White House Travel Office was robbed and beaten in Waikiki early Tuesday morning outside a night club. Gregg Pitts was mugged by two men at 2 a.m. outside of Bobby G's Dance Club. Pitts was accompanying Bush on a brief visit to Hawaii after an eight-day trip to Asia. Pitt was with a group that had dinner at Duke's and then crossed the street to Bobby G's. He was admitted to Queen's Medical Center and did not board the plane for the return to Washington.

http://www.kfoxtv.com/politics/10367783/detail.html

{Flashback} White House Staffer Robbed, Beaten In Waikiki - Gregg Pitts' wallet and id were stolen, passport and international phone were also taken

Pitts left the bar alone. He walked through International Marketplace, where he was confronted by three men beaten up and robbed, according to a source familiar with the case. His friends went looking for him and found him lying in a pool of blood.

http://www.thehawaiichannel.com/news/10373190/detail.html

(Flashback) President Bush's Visit to Hawaii Marred by Bizarre Incidents

You would think that not much could happen when the President of the United States visited Hawaii for less than 24 hours with no scheduled public appearances and where all activities tool place on U.S. military bases. Well, such was not the case,

http://gohawaii.about.com/b/a/257692.htm

In Awe of Thy Word - Book Preview (PDF)

My wholehearted endorsement is given to Dr. Gail Riplinger's new book, In Awe of Thy Word. Its subtitle, Understanding the King James Bible, Its History and Mystery, Letter by Letter, tells us that it is concerned with the smallest elements of language as it is conveyed by the Bible, with the alphabet itself and simple phonemes. The book expounds the use of these in the Bible as no other book has ever done. The very smallest of these elements, letters, vowels, consonants, and syllables, were given to us by God. The nature of the letters and syllables and their arrangement into sequences are crucial to making the meaning of words and passages intelligible to us, so that they stand alone without need of lexicon or commentary.

http://www.avpublications.com/avnew/downloads/PDF/IAOTW/preview.pdf

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http://www.avpublications.com/avnew/downloads.html

(*Updated Link) IMPORTANT VIDEO LECTURE BY PROF. EUGENE NARRETT IN JERUSALEM (Includes Q & A)

On April 6th, 2006, Dr. Eugene Narrett, Professor & Coordinator of Multi-Disciplinary Studies at Cambridge College in Massachusetts, spoke at the O-U Center in Jerusalem with regard to American foreign policy and the decline of Western culture, the myth of Palestinian nationalism and the geo-political forces aligned against Israel under the guise of pro-arab policies, and a variety of other topics and issues. We provide below a flash video box loaded with one hour of the remarkable talk and responses to questions in four separate clips. We had first been exposed to Dr. Narrett on The Tovia Singer Show webcast over the Internet. During his recent trip to Israel, we had a chance to sit down over dinner with this unique renaissance man whose thorough and historic grasp of the global situation as it pertains to Israel is only exceeded by his passionate defense of the Jewish People and their right to live in peace in the Land of Israel.

http://israelreporter.com/index.php/2006/06/07/dr-eugene-narrett/

Faith Defenders with Dr. Robert Morey - Sunday Sermons (Mp3's)

Faith Defenders is an evangelical think-tank, where Dr. Morey is training the next generation of Christian apologists, philosophers, and theologians. Through the California Biblical University and Seminary, Dr. Morey is personally guiding the education of students to apply the Lordship of Christ to all of life.

http://www.faithdefenders.com/sermons/sermons.aspx

Secret Mysteries of America's Beginnings - Very Special Special Sale - Two Videos For Only \$39.88 (DVD's) - We are running this very special sale for only four days -- Thursday through Sunday!

This video unfolds the fascinating history behind the founding of America, and exposes the esoteric underbelly of its design. Why is Washington D.C. build on the 77th Meridian? Are the Revolutionary War cities really built in perfect alignment with Stonehenge? If America was founded as a Christian nation, why are many of its symbols, buildings, and monuments based on Pagan traditions? There is no doubt that America's cultural national heritage was Christian, but just as a coin has two sides, our national heritage has a second side - one based squarely on occult secret societies and their values.

http://www.cuttingedge.org/newsletters/index.html

Bush Watch: Dictator Bush - Various Articles - Fear of Tyranny Grips Many Americans

My own recollection is fear of President Bush today is infinitely greater than fear during the era of Senator Joe McCarthy back in the Fifties. McCarthy whipped up anti-Communist sentiment to paranoid heights but he was only a Senator. He couldn't start a war on his own or reach out and have people arrested under any Patriot Act. Now there is a president with virtual dictatorial powers who has deceitfully invaded Iraq, where reportedly 650,000 civilians have been killed for no good reason; who has threatened the use of nuclear weapons, who operates secret prisons around the world, and who implies his critics are unpatriotic. What's his next step? Yes, it is happening before our eyes: the nation that gave the world the Declaration of Independence, the Bill of Rights, the Four Freedoms, and played a large role in creating the UN Charter, is witnessing the evisceration of its civil liberties. Those who are beating the war drums about terror abroad may well be the first to unleash terror at home. Am I scared? You bet. Gangrene spreads. (Sherwood Ross is an American reporter. Reach him at sherwoodr1@yahoo.com)

http://www.bushwatch.com./dictator.htm

Fascist America, in 10 easy steps - As difficult as this is to contemplate, it is clear, if you are willing to look, that each of these 10 steps has already been initiated today in the United States by the Bush administration

It is my argument that, beneath our very noses, George Bush and his administration are using time-tested tactics to close down an open society. It is time for us to be willing to think the unthinkable - as the author and political journalist Joe Conason, has put it, that it can happen here. And that we are further along than we realise. Conason eloquently warned of the danger of American authoritarianism. I am arguing that we need also to look at the lessons of European and other kinds of fascism to understand the potential seriousness of the events we see unfolding in the US. 1. Invoke a terrifying internal and external enemy. ... 5. Harass citizens' groups. ... 6. Engage in arbitrary detention and release. ... 7. Target key individuals. ... Most Americans surely do not get this yet. No wonder: it is hard to believe, even though it is true. In every closing society, at a certain point there are some high-profile arrests - usually of opposition leaders, clergy and journalists. Then everything goes quiet. After those arrests, there are still newspapers, courts, TV and radio, and the facades of a civil society. There just isn't real dissent. There just isn't freedom. If you look at history, just before those arrests is where we are now.

http://www.guardian.co.uk/usa/story/0,,2064157,00.html

Easter Sunrise Baptism - Calvary Chapel Gulf Breeze's, annual Easter Sunrise baptism at the Beach (Video 2:02)

awesome video - nice song it suits the video really gd. Love the video it was so nice!

U.S. criticized for building wall around Sunnis - Criticism mounted Saturday over a wall U.S. troops are building around a Sunni enclave surrounded by Shiite areas in Baghdad, with residents calling it "collective punishment" and the local council leader saying the community did not approve the project before construction began

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) -- Criticism mounted Saturday over a wall U.S. troops are building around a Sunni enclave surrounded by Shiite areas in Baghdad, with residents calling it "collective punishment" and the local council leader saying the community did not approve the project before construction began. ... The area, located on the eastern side of the Tigris River, would be completely gated, with entrances and exits manned by Iraqi soldiers, the U.S. military said in a statement earlier this week. But some residents were alarmed about the plan, and said they had not been consulted about the barrier being built in their own neighborhood. "This will make the whole district a prison. This is collective punishment on the residents of Adhamiya," said Ahmed al-Dulaimi, a 41-year-old engineer who lives in the area. "They are going to punish all of us because of a few terrorists here and there. "We are in our fourth year of occupation and we are seeing the number of blast walls increasing day after day, suffocating the people more and more," al-Dulaimi said in an interview.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/meast/04/21/iraq.wall.ap/index.html

Administration officials say Gonzales should step down - Gonzales said more than 60 times that he "couldn't recall" certain incidents - His former chief of staff, Kyle Sampson, used that explanation 122 times during his testimony weeks ago

WASHINGTON (CNN) -- Several administration officials and the House Republican Conference chairman said Friday that Attorney General Alberto Gonzales should step down, following the harsh response to his Senate testimony on last year's firing of eight U.S. attorneys. Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee grilled Gonzales for hours Thursday about the dismissals. The attorney general has been roundly criticized for his handling of the shakeup and for the shifting explanations Justice Department officials have given for the changes. Gonzales said more than 60 times that he "couldn't recall" certain incidents. His former chief of staff, Kyle Sampson, used that explanation 122 times during his testimony weeks ago. ... During the hearings Thursday, while Democratic senators criticized Gonzales' leadership, some of the sharpest criticism came from Republicans on the Senate Judiciary Committee, including one who called for his resignation.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/04/20/gonzales/index.html

Word for Life World Ministries - Jesus Christ, the Wonderful Counselor - Sermon Audio Downloads (Audio)

Norman Russell - Jesus Christ, the Wonderful Counselor - taking a serious look at the "wonder" in the words - understanding the awesome nature of Jesus. There is a lot to know about the actual words used to describe Jesus, and this lesson takes a detailed look at them.

http://wordforlife.com/wfl/download.html

DEUTERONOMY Audio Summary: THE LAW THAT DELIVERS (Free Mp3)

Each book of the Bible is covered by a single message, plus one message on the 400 Silent years between the Testaments. Ray captures the theme of each book so clearly and concisely that these sermons and the tapes they were taken from have been very popular for more than 20 years.

http://www.pbc.org/library/series/2971

Bible verse: Deuteronomy 32:1-9 Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth ... ascribe ye greatness unto our God. He is the Rock, His work is perfect: for all His ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is He ... {The complete Bible is available at BasicChristian.info}

Deuteronomy 32:1-9 Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass: Because I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe ye greatness unto our God. He is the Rock, His work is perfect: for all His ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is He. They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of His children: they are a perverse and crooked generation. Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? is not He thy father that hath bought thee? hath He not made thee, and established thee? Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when He separated the sons of Adam, He set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. For the LORD'S portion is His people; Jacob is the lot of His inheritance. -- Bible

http://www.basicchristian.info/

Bible verse: Deuteronomy 33:27-29 The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: - Happy art thou, O Israel [Individuals submitted-governed of God]: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and Who is the sword of thy excellency! ... {The complete Bible is available at BasicChristian.info}

Deuteronomy 33:27-29 The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and He shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them. Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob shall be upon a land of corn and wine; also His heavens shall drop down dew. Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and Who is the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places. -- Bible

http://www.basicchristian.info/

Message about the Kingdom of God preached at Lighthouse Church in Musselburgh Scotland (Mp3)

I (Phil Holden) was asked by my church (Lighthouse Church in Musselburgh) to do a talk on The Kingdom of God.

http://www.archive.org/details/philholden_kingdom

Xbox Gaming A Disaster For Microsoft[?] - Microsoft's Xbox is merely a trojan horse to get into everybody's front (living) room and control their lives

Maybe the meme that became fact, that Microsoft's Xbox is merely a trojan horse to get into everybody's front room and control their lives hasn't been properly communicated to a chap called Roger Ehrenberg. ... "The Microsoft strategy sounds more like a niche strategy for hard-core gamers, in which case it's investment in a console strategy should be smaller and more targeted." ... The point here is not that one analyst might be putting 2+2 together and coming up with 22, but that Forbes is taking the time to print the analysis in the first place.

http://news.spong.com/article/12347?cb=774

The Gonzales Testimony: "A Performance Among The Worst I've Seen By A Public Official" - Attorney General was "going down in flames" {This comes from the disastrous Bush recipe of leadership. Don't bother hiring anyone who is the least bit competent just make sure a "yes man that fulfills the secret agenda" fills the post, like nominating Harriet Miers for the Supreme Court.}

It is hard to know which is more disappointing. Alberto R. Gonzales' miserable performance yesterday before the Senate Judiciary Committee or President Bush's announcement yesterday afternoon that he was "pleased" with the testimony of his Attorney General. I watched the contentious hearing for hours Thursday and cannot for the life of me think of a single moment that could have "pleased" the President. In fact, given Mr. Bush's travel plans Thursday-he flew to Ohio and was gone from Washington from 11:10 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.-it's unclear to me whether or how the President even could have watched the testimony that he later endorsed so heartily. And, indeed, White House spokeswoman Dana Perino told CBS News this morning that the President was "updated" on the Gonzales hearing but that she does not know whether Mr. Bush actually saw any part of the proceedings. ... This is unacceptable for many reasons, not the least of which is that as the nation's top lawyer the Attorney General stands as a symbol for justice, not the obstruction thereof. The second image is of Gonzales as a leader who could not and did not lead; who allowed his unseasoned subordinates to make vital personnel decisions without any meaningful input or supervision from their boss. This is unacceptable not just because the results were disastrous-monumentally bad judgment at the Justice Department lead us to where we are today-but also because it demonstrates that one of the nation's most important cabinet-level positions is now filled by someone who has taken neither command nor responsibility. Whether he is a liar, as some say, or a fool, as others contend, the consequence ought to be the same. And if you didn't believe it before surely you should consider it now in the wake of his appalling testimony before the Committee: Gonzales simply isn't good enough to merit the job he now has.

http://www.cbsnews.com/blogs/2007/04/20/couricandco/entry2709554.shtml

Prison torture should seal Gonzales' fate - the kangaroo court at the U.S. Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay - The U.S. attorney scandal is threatening to take down Gonzales - But it is his condoning of torture from Guantanamo to Abu Ghraib that should seal his fate

It is appropriate that a person from Australia, home of the kangaroo, should be the first one dragged before the kangaroo court at the U.S. Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay. David Hicks, imprisoned there for more than five years, pleaded guilty Monday to providing material support for terrorism. The case of Hicks offers us a glimpse into the Kafkaesque netherworld of detentions, kidnappings, torture and show trials that is now, internationally, the shameful signature of the Bush administration. Hicks' passage through this sham process affords us all an opportunity to demand the closure of Guantanamo and an end to such heinous policies. Conditions may soon exist to shutter the prison, with George W. Bush's lame-duck status, the Democratic takeover of Congress, the possible departure of Guantanamo's archdefender and architect, Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, and, if recent reports are true, a desire to close the prison on the part of Secretary of Defense Robert Gates and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. The bogus military commission trials amplify global contempt for the Guantanamo prison. ... Guantanamo has sparked one of the United States' major growth industries: protesting against Guantanamo. From campuses to churches, the anger has driven regular citizens to action.

http://seattlepi.nwsource.com/opinion/309583 amy30.html

dying words - the last words spoken by famous people at death, or shortly before - I'm bored with it all - Before slipping into a coma - He died 9 days later ~~ Winston Churchill, statesman (Satanist, Illuminati, NWO), d. January 24, 1965

See in what peace a Christian can die. ~~ Joseph Addison, writer, d. June 17, 1719. ... Damn it . . . Don't you dare ask God to help me. To her housekeeper, who had begun to pray aloud. ~~ Joan Crawford, actress, d. May 10, 1977 ... Lord help my poor soul. ~~ Edgar Allan Poe, writer, d. October 7, 1849

http://www.corsinet.com/braincandy/dying.html

Mystery Pollster on Mystery Romney Numbers - Mark Blumenthal notices in the ABC News/Washington Post poll that "opposition to Romney is greater than much better known figures, such as Hillary Clinton (45%) and John McCain (47%)" - The (54%) that would definitely not support Romney includes "a third of Republicans - a particularly broad level of rejection within his own party"

Mark Blumenthal notices in the ABC News/Washington Post poll that "opposition to Romney is greater than much better known figures, such as Hillary Clinton (45%) and John McCain (47%)." ... Romney is well-known by about 20% of Americans, so maybe he's become quite polarizing among those who've heard of him. ... As both articles point out, opposition to Romney is greater than much better known figures, such as Hillary Clinton (45%) and John McCain (47%). Two other polls out in the last week showed Romney with negative ratings that were slightly (though not significantly) higher than his positives: Gallup (23% favorable, 24% unfavorable - via Polling Report) and CBS News (10% favorable, 16% unfavorable).

http://hotlineblog.nationaljournal.com/archives/2007/04/mystery_pollste.html

(Virginia Tech) Killer mimicked scenes from violent South Korean film "Oldboy" - Violent South Korean movie garnered Cannes award, critical acclaim in U.S. - Reviewer Peter Bradshaw of the London Guardian said of "Oldboy" that the film is so dark and horrific the "terms 'violent' or 'ultraviolent' or even 'super-ultraviolent' don't quite cover it"

In the video and still images sent to NBC News, the killer responsible for 32 deaths before shooting himself at Virginia Tech this week apparently acted out scenes from an extremely violent South Korean film that won acclaim from U.S. reviewers. Police believe Cho Seung-Hui repeatedly watched "Oldboy" - a bloody 2003 prize-winner with themes of obsession and revenge - in preparation for his rampage, the deadliest mass shooting in American history, the Evening Standard of London reported. ... "Oldboy," directed by Park Chan-wook, won the Grand Prix at the 2004 Cannes Film Festival. It received praise from the president of the jury, director Quentin Tarantino, who tried to persuade members to give it the coveted Palme d'Or over Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 9/11." ... Reviewer Peter Bradshaw of the London Guardian said of "Oldboy" that the film is so dark and horrific the "terms 'violent' or 'ultraviolent' or even 'super-ultraviolent' don't quite cover it." But the popular movie-review website Rotten Tomatoes shows 95 positive reviews out of 117 for the film. Reviewer remarks included: The hero of this Kafkaesque nightmare could be anybody who feels abused, raging against fate or God and discovering only absurdity and more horror -John Beifuss, Memphis Commercial Appeal. Bringing the concept of revenge and evil to a different level, the film is brilliant as it is disturbing -Angela Baldassarre, Sympatico.ca.

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE ID=55284

Gunman sent package to NBC News - 'This didn't have to happen,' says message mailed between shootings

Sometime after he killed two people in a Virginia university dormitory but before he slaughtered 30 more in a classroom building Monday morning, Cho Seung-Hui mailed NBC News a large package, including photographs and videos, lamenting that "I didn't have to do this," the network said Wednesday. ... The package included an 1,800-word manifesto-like statement diatribe in which he expresses rage, resentment and a desire to get even. The material is "hard-to-follow ... disturbing, very disturbing - very angry, profanity-laced," Capus said in an interview late Wednesday afternoon.

http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/18169776/

"Random" Washington Post Online Cover Photo from VTech - I'm sure this objective mainstream media outlet would nevah evah have an agenda (Photo)

Hmmm . . . I'm sure of all the thousands of students at the memorial mourning the dead at Virginia Tech's convocation, today, the Washington Post took this and chose this particular one at random for its cover shot at its website, WashingtonPost.com. Just a random photo, right? I mean, I'm sure this objective mainstream media outlet would nevah evah have an agenda

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re comforted of God.}">University convocation told of Allah, not Jesus - Speakers also invoke Buddha, Dalai Lama - The only name that was omitted, of course, Jesus Christ {Jesus Christ the only name that brings comfort, healing and hope. 2nd CORINTHIANS 2:3-4 Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.}

Speakers at the Virginia Tech convocation called on Allah and Buddha in their efforts to minister to the survivors, family and friends of victims of the shooting massacre at the school - but Jesus wasn't mentioned by name. ... "I'm sitting here watching the convocation service at VT," wrote a WND reader who was given anonymity. "Five minutes ago they had four representatives from the local 'religious community.' The Muslim specifically invoked Allah's blessings... and he didn't shy away from saying the name of Allah. The Jewish rep asked for God's blessings. Buddha was represented. The only name that [was] omitted, of course, Jesus Christ."

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Vote in our (Constitution Party) Presidential Poll! - The poll lists men who have demonstrated their commitment to life, liberty and limited government, in some cases in spite of their current party affiliations - Confidentially, it also includes some who have expressed openness to considering a strategy of leaving the Republican Party to run on the Constitution Party ticket, bringing their supporters with them, when they are shunned by the Republican brass

It's hard to believe, but the 2008 Presidential campaign has begun. Regardless of the rhetoric, we can rest assured that the candidates who will win the nominations of the two big parties will have much in common. But the Constitution Party is gearing up to provide America with a real choice. There are many amazing and accomplished men whom we might attract to become our candidate for the highest office in the land. I'm sure that they are no strangers to you. Men like Congressman Ron Paul who, almost single-handedly, demands that legislation is Constitutional, or Alan Keyes whose eloquence and passion for the pre-born is unparalleled, or Congressman Tom Tancredo who has stood up to his own party and demanded a sane immigration policy. These men, and others, have demonstrated a commitment to values rare in American politics today. And that's why I am so enthusiastic about having one of them as our candidate. But if we are going to attract men of this stature, we need to build the foundation so they can run strong and effective campaigns. And we need to start now because time is short. You and I both know that the two big parties will never nominate men of real integrity. I am certain that the GOP will turn away good men with sound principles like Ron Paul and Tom Tancredo. You see, neither of the presidential candidates that will be chosen by the Democrat or Republicans parties will acknowledge God the Creator as the source of our rights. Neither will stand for Constitutional liberties. Neither will fight for a limited Federal Government. Neither will be a strong defender of the unborn. And neither will stand against the illegal invasion that is destroying our country. And that's why we have such an amazing opportunity now. There can be no doubt; millions of Americans want an alternative. They are desperate for a solution to the problems our country faces. And the Constitution Party is that solution.

http://www.constitutionparty.com/surveys/index.php?sid=2

'Penthouse' no longer porn, Shell Oil Co. announces - Policy change allows sale of 'adult sophisticates' by retailers

Shell Oil Co. has determined "Playboy" and "Penthouse" no longer are pornography, but instead are "adult sophisticates," according to a company statement. The issue arose when the Florida Family Association contacted Shell about the sale of such explicit magazines at convenience stores owned by Circle K in southeastern parts of the United States. David Caton, executive director of the pro-family organization, said his group asked Shell to require Shell-branded Circle K Stores to stop selling the pornography, as it has done in the past with other retailers. The request, Caton told WND, has been made to more than a dozen major oil companies supplying fuel to nearly 150,000 outlets in the United States. And until now, Caton said, there has been virtually a 100 percent positive response. "However, Shell Oil Company has decided instead to change their definition of pornography, unlike all other major oil companies, to exclude Penthouse and Playboy magazines which are sold by Circle K Stores," he said. The confirmation came in an e-mail from Otto O. Meyers III, a Shell executive, who told the Florida Family Association those stores selling "Penthouse" are not selling pornography. "In regard to your inquiry about specific Circle K locations, our investigation has concluded that these stores are not selling pornography as one would think the general public defines it, but rather 'adult sophisticate' magazines such as Playboy and Penthouse," Meyers wrote.

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(UK) More doctors refuse to perform abortions - "Who admits to friends at a dinner party that they are an abortionist?"

An increasing number of doctors are refusing to carry out abortions despite a surge in demand, the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists said yesterday. Abortions levels have reached record levels in England and Wales, with more than 190,000 terminations carried out every year. ... There are no official figures on the number of doctors refusing to perform abortions but the RCOG said anecdotal evidence suggested that it was a widespread issue. ... an increasing number of junior doctors were reluctant to train in the area. A cut in their working hours had worsened the problem because it meant less time to train in all areas of the NHS. ... "We have always had conscientious objectors, but more doctors now are just wanting to do something different and don't see abortion care as attractive.

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/main.jhtml?xml=/news/2007/04/17/nhealth217.xml

Top court upholds ban on abortion procedure - Partial birth abortions at issue; first time justices ban specific procedure

WASHINGTON - The Supreme Court upheld the nationwide ban on a controversial abortion procedure Wednesday, handing abortion opponents the long-awaited victory they expected from a more conservative bench. The 5-4 ruling said the Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act that Congress passed and President Bush signed into law in 2003 does not violate a woman's constitutional right[?] to an abortion. ... It was the first time the court banned a specific procedure in a case over how - not whether - to perform an abortion. ... They also said that such a ruling could threaten most abortions after 12 weeks of pregnancy, although government lawyers and others who favor the ban said there are alternate, more widely used procedures that remain legal. The outcome is likely to spur efforts at the state level to place more restrictions on abortions. More than 1 million abortions are performed in the United States each year, according to recent statistics. Nearly 90 percent of those occur in the first 12 weeks of pregnancy, and are not affected by Tuesday's ruling.

http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/18174245/

Israeli 76-year-old Holocaust Survivor, Hero of VTU Massacre: Gave Life to Save Students

While at least 32 were murdered in yesterday's massacre at Virginia Tech University, a lot more could have been killed. But a number of students were spared because of the heroic efforts of Liviu Librescu. Librescu, a 76-year-old Holocaust survivor and Israeli, was a professor at VTU, yesterday, when the gunman tried to enter his classroom. But he stopped the gunman and saved the lives of his students by jumping in front of him and giving his life.

http://www.debbieschlussel.com/archives/2007/04/israeli_holocau.html

Christianity and the Mormonism (LDS) Cult are Very Different - Christians who are supporting (Satanist) Bush and Bush's chosen replacement Presidential candidate Willard Mitt Romney should reconsider and realize that they are entering into an association with death and despair - Romney and his fellow (LDS) Mormons are a part of Satanism and the "Cult of Death" i.e. their "baptism of the dead," communication-interaction and fascination with the dead and their own Devil worship make Mormons every bit as much the Devil worshipers and just as devoted to Satan as Bush and his "Skull and Bones" associates (PDF)

Following are a few considerations as to why Mormonism is a cult and in no way resembles Christianity.

http://www.basicchristian.info/Christian_vs_Mormon.pdf

The 'good guys' are evil, too - Why don't they do what they are trained and paid to do? Why do they sit back and allow evil to run its course without fighting to stop it? Because they're evil {American society via our President Bush is influenced and managed via Satan. Bush is a Satan/Devil worshiper he is Not a Christian. George Bush is 100% a "Skull and Bones" Satanist and 0% a Christian. You cannot be a Satanist and be a Christian. Bush has never renounced his "Skull and Bones" ties and is in fact promoting and providing influence for his "Skull and Bones" associates. The current problems, neglect and the decay of American society are the results of George Bush and his death oriented Devil worship.}

I have only one explanation for why everybody failed to act. Why they did what they did. Why they didn't do what they should have done. Because they're evil. Because our laws, our culture, our attitudes, our ways are all influenced by evil. This is Satan's world, and most are marching to the beat of his drum, whether they know it or not. Those "authorities," and anyone else who had any opportunity to thwart this slaughter, are complicit in this horrible crime. They sat on their hands and stood by as dozens of innocents, completely unaware of the evil about to be thrust upon them, were slaughtered. I can draw only one conclusion. They refused to act, because they didn't want to act. If that's not evil, I don't know what is. ... Evil - It's out there. And it reared its ugly head yet again today in a sleepy little town in Virginia. Sadly, the "good guys" stood around and watched it happen. And that, my friend, is evil.

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE ID=55241

Constitution Party: HAVE CHRISTIANS BECOME DUPES - It is time that Christian people begin seeing their politicians, not as saints who can be blindly trusted, but as sinners whose works must be constantly analyzed and scrutinized in the light of the U.S. Constitution

Come on folks, get real! A politician is not a pastor. The American people have a sacred duty to the principles of freedom and their posterity to hold their civil magistrates accountable for their policies and actions. Furthermore, if the civil leader is a true Christian, he would have it no other way. ... As Theodore Roosevelt said, "Patriotism means to stand by the country. It does not mean to stand by the president or any other public official, save exactly to the degree in which he himself stands by the country. It is patriotic to support him insofar as he efficiently serves the country. It is unpatriotic not to oppose him to the exact extent that by inefficiency or otherwise he fails in his duty to stand by the country. In either event, it is unpatriotic not to tell the truth, whether about the president or anyone else." ... Pastors would not be able to get by with the lying, deceit, and dishonesty that politicians routinely get by with. Many believers give politicians much more honor than they give to their pastors. How foolish! ... It is time that Christian people begin seeing their politicians, not as saints who can be blindly trusted, but as sinners whose works must be constantly analyzed and scrutinized in the light of the U.S. Constitution.

http://constitutionparty.com/news.php?aid=504

BREAKING NEWS: At least 22 [33] dead in Va. Tech shooting rampage - Gunman shot people in a dorm, second building; suspect among dead - "Today the university was struck with a tragedy that we consider of monumental proportions"

BLACKSBURG, Va. - A gunman opened fire in a dorm and classroom at Virginia Tech on Monday, killing at least 21 people in the deadliest campus shooting in U.S. history. The gunman also was killed and some officials expected the death toll to be even higher given that several dozen others were also shot. "Today the university was struck with a tragedy that we consider of monumental proportions," said Virginia Tech president Charles Steger. "The university is shocked and indeed horrified." The university reported shootings at opposite sides of the 2,600-acre campus, beginning at about 7:15 a.m. at West Ambler Johnston, a co-ed residence hall that houses 895 people, and continuing about two hours later at Norris Hall, an engineering building.

http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/18134671/

{Flashback} #1 News-Blog item of 2006 - Brian Rohrbough appears on the CBS Evening News with Katie Couric - the featured Columbine father speaks against school violence, evolution and abortion (Video - Online or Download)

ROHRBOUGH: I'm saddened and shaken by the shooting at an Amish school today and last week's school murders [in Bailey, Colorado]. When my son Dan was murdered on the sidewalk at Columbine High School on April 20, 1999, I hoped that would be the last school shooting. Since that day, I tried to answer the question, "Why did this happen?" This country is in a moral freefall. For over two generations, the public school system has taught in a moral vacuum, expelling God from the school and from the government, replacing him with evolution, *where the strong kill the weak without moral consequences*. And life has no inherent value. We teach there are no absolutes, no right or wrong, and I assure you the murder of innocent children is always wrong, including by abortion. Abortion has diminished the value of children. Suicide has become an acceptable action and has further emboldened these criminals. We're seeing an epidemic increase in murder/suicide attacks on our children. Sadly, our schools are not safe. In fact, we now witness that within our schools, our children have become a target of terrorists from within the United States.

http://mediamatters.org/items/200610030004

The Religious Right Has Had Its Day? Fat Chance - A recent essay in Time magazine claimed "The

religious right's era is over" Someone better tell that to the GOP presidential candidates praying for the fundamentalist movement's (Votes) blessings

Concludes Wallis confidently, "The era of the Religious Right is now past, and it's up to all of us to create a new day." If the Religious Right is dead, someone forgot to tell that to many leading political figures. The unusually early start to the 2008 campaign season has been marked by a number of aspiring Republican presidential hopefuls contorting themselves to please Religious Right honchos. One of the nation's leading experts on the Religious Right, John C. Green, a professor of political science at the University of Akron, said that Wallis has probably overstated the case in proclaiming a post-Religious Right era.

http://www.alternet.org/rights/50447/

Poll Shows Pro-Abortion Stance Hurting Rudy Giuliani With Republicans - he's now slipping in the overall lead he has over his top rivals for the party's presidential nomination

Washington, DC (LifeNews.com) -- A new national poll shows the issue of abortion is hurting Rudy Giuliani as he's now slipping in the overall lead he has over his top rivals for the party's presidential nomination. The survey is the first to come out since a flap over whether he supported taxpayer funding of abortion. A new CNN poll released Monday shows that Sen. John McCain, the Arizona lawmaker who had been sliding in the polls, has slightly recovered. ... Former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, who has not announced a candidacy, has the backing of 8 percent and several other candidate stood further down in the poll. Overall, 13 percent of Republicans were unsure about which candidate they support. Without Gingrich in the race, Giuliani moves up to 30 percent, McCain has 24 percent, Thompson gets 12 percent and Romney gets 10 percent.

http://www.lifenews.com/nat3036.html

Researchers Explore Scrapping Internet - some university researchers with the federal government's blessing want to scrap all that and start over {I wonder if the institutions think there is too much individual freedom on the current internet.}

NEW YORK (AP) - Although it has already taken nearly four decades to get this far in building the Internet, some university researchers with the federal government's blessing want to scrap all that and start over. The idea may seem unthinkable, even absurd, but many believe a "clean slate" approach is the only way to truly address security, mobility and other challenges that have cropped up since UCLA professor Leonard Kleinrock helped supervise the first exchange of meaningless test data between two machines on Sept. 2, 1969. ... Kleinrock, the Internet pioneer at UCLA, questioned the need for a transition at all, but said such efforts are useful for their out-of-the-box thinking.

http://www.livescience.com/technology/070413 ap new internet.html

Al-Sadr Orders 6 Cabinet Ministers to Quit Iraqi Government - Muqtada al-Sadr ordered his followers to withdraw from Iraq's coalition government on Monday {Even prior to the Iraq invasion President Bush has continually funded Al-Sadr and his organization with 100's of millions of US dollars. These six 'Cabinet' positions were not elected like other politicians but were special Bush appointments to appease Al-Sadr. The Bush backroom policies and the unfair Iraq constitution have been the major cause of failure and strife in Iraq.}

The move, while unlikely to topple Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's regime, would deal a significant blow to the U.S.-backed leader, who relied on support from the Sadrists to gain office. Al-Sadr's ministers will "withdraw immediately from the Iraqi government and give the six Cabinet seats to the government, with the hope that they will be given to independents who represent the will of the people," said Nassar al-Rubaie, head of al-Sadr's bloc, reading a statement from the cleric. ... Meanwhile, thousands upset about poor city services marched peacefully through the streets of Iraq's second largest city on Monday, demanding the provincial governor's resignation despite calls by top government officials a day earlier to call off the protest. ... Residents have complained of inadequate electricity, garbage disposal and water supplies in Basra, situated 340 miles southeast of Baghdad.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,266208,00.html

Jesus: Real-Not Relic, Fact-Not Artifact, Head-Not Figurehead - Jesus came to give us Life to the full-to experience His Life daily in one another, not to say borrowed words and sing and pray stained-glass religious words - LIFE! (PDF)

This is a Church-to live this way every day, not attending the house of God, but being the place where God Lives. Then our homes, our workplace and our Church all become one. There are no more barriers from my heart to yours and no more barriers between my home and yours. I put away selfishness, pride, laziness and unbelief, and I love others as Jesus has loved me. When everyone does that, from the least to the greatest, Jesus pours out His healing oil, and we are a Church, a beautiful Bride. Jesus did not come to make us smarter. He came to give us Life to the full-to experience His Life daily in one another, not to say borrowed words and sing and pray stained-glass religious words. LIFE!

http://www.allathisfeet.com/seed.cfm?id=32497

Romney Is all Things To All People - to be the nominee of George W. Bush's fading party - These big money types are investing in a Romney candidacy just as they invest in other deals - in anticipation of turning a healthy profit on their investment - It worked with Bush and it can work with Romney

It turns out those feeding that conviction to the tune of \$23 million probably aren't particularly interested in Romney's views on stem-cell research, immigration or any of the other concerns of the religious right base he needs to be the nominee of George W. Bush's fading party. About a quarter of Romney's donors are rich Mormons who'd understandably like to see a fellow rich Mormon in the White House and most of the rest are commonly known as fat cats, who'd like to see a fellow fat cat in the White House. Among them are many Bush donors, ... These big money types are investing in a Romney candidacy just as they invest in other deals - in anticipation of tuning a healthy profit on their investment. It worked with Bush and it can work with Romney.

http://www.theday.com/re.aspx?re=f4d2de14-0d85-4521-a15a-e95f47cbfc28

The Resume' of Jesus Christ - I will properly direct your paths, and lead you into everlasting life

Hello. My name is Jesus - The Christ. Many call me Lord! I've sent you my resume' because I'm seeking the top management position in your heart. Please consider my accomplishments as set forth in my resume'. Qualifications: I founded the earth and established the heavens, (See Proverbs 3:19). I formed man from the dust of the ground, (See Genesis 2:7). I breathed into man the breath of life, (See Genesis 2:7). I redeemed man from the curse of the law, (See Galatians 3:13). The blessings of the Abrahamic Covenant comes upon your life through me, (See Galatians 3:14).

[Australia] Teen death payout may lead to wave of alcohol lawsuits - "That's the only language they speak - It was well known that this particular stuff was causing trouble"

ALCOHOL companies could face a wave of lawsuits after the parents of a teenager who died after drinking a large bottle of vodka essence won a confidential payout. "There is growing interest in the prospects for litigation against the manufacturers and promoters of alcohol given the success of the legal cases against tobacco manufacturers in recent years. We only need one successful case to set a precedent which will have widespread application." He said litigation against alcohol interests, even if unsuccessful, would create community awareness and set new standards. ... But Mr Gordon said he could see a good chance for success in a case involving alcohol manufacturers targeting youth or other vulnerable people. A claim could be successful if it could be proved people had been injured as the result of the actions by a teenager who was induced to drink at a music festival or club by the tactics of an alcohol manufacturer or supplier - and where evidence existed that a manufacturer had specifically targeted an under-age group, he said. Professor Valerie Brown, a visiting fellow at the ANU's Fenner School of Environment and Society, said legal action had been the final and most effective weapon in efforts to deal with health risks from polluted water, tobacco and asbestos. "In every case, the extent of the risk was known, scientifically to public health researchers and anecdotally to the public, for decades until public outrage in affected groups initiated civil action, then legal action. Only then did government and whole-of-society action follow." ... The kind of imitation essence involved in the Clarks' case is no longer on sale.

http://www.theage.com.au/news/national/teen-death-payout-may-lead-to-wave-of-alcohol-lawsuits/2007/04/1 4/1175971419523.html

MLJ on "Talking to Yourself" Rather than "Listening to Yourself" - The main art in the matter of spiritual living is to know how to handle yourself

I say that we must talk to ourselves instead of allowing "ourselves" to talk to us! Do you realize what that means? I suggest that the main trouble in this whole matter of spiritual depression in a sense is this, that we allow our self to talk to us instead of talking to our self. ... The main art in the matter of spiritual living is to know how to handle yourself. You have to take yourself in hand, you have to address yourself, preach to yourself, question yourself. You must say to your soul: "Why art thou cast down" - what business have you to be disquieted? You must turn on yourself, upbraid yourself, condemn yourself, exhort yourself, and say to yourself: "Hope thou in God" - instead of muttering in this depressed, unhappy way. And then you must go on to remind yourself of God, Who God is, and what God is and What God has done, and what God has pledged Himself to do. Then having done that, end on this great note: defy yourself, and defy other people, and defy the devil and the whole world, and say with this man: "I shall yet praise Him for the help of His countenance, who is also the health of my countenance and my God."

http://pastorsteveweaver.wordpress.com/2007/04/12/mlj-on-talking-to-yourself-rather-than-listening-to-yourself/

The Problem Reaction Solution Paradigm (The Hegelian Dialectic) - 1. The government creates or exploits a problem blaming it on others

The Problem Reaction Solution Paradigm (The Hegelian Dialectic) - 1. The government creates or exploits a problem blaming it on others.2. The people react by asking the government for help willing to give up their rights.3. The government offers the solution that was planned long before the crisis.

911 - Government Prior Knowledge - Evidence that the United States Government Trained, Funded and Protected the terrorists - If this sounds outrageous, it should - This page details evidence found in "Main Stream Media" articles

Trained: Hijackers May Have Trained at U.S. Bases - MSNBC - NewsWeek - THREE OF THE alleged hijackers listed their address on drivers licenses and car registrations as the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla.-known as the "Cradle of U.S. Navy Aviation," according to a high-ranking U.S. Navy source. Another of the alleged hijackers may have been trained in strategy and tactics at the Air War College in Montgomery, Ala., said another high-ranking Pentagon official. The fifth man may have received language instruction at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Tex. Both were former Saudi Air Force pilots who had come to the United States, according to the Pentagon source. Funded: US sent Afghanistan \$125 million - Washington is largest donor for 2nd straight year - WorldNetDaily - The United States has sent nearly \$125 million in aid to Afghanistan this year, making Washington the country's largest benefactor for the second straight year. Protection: Bush took FBI agents off Laden family trail - The Times of India - America was itself to blame for the events of September 11 because the US administration was using "kid gloves" in tracking down Osama bin Laden and "other fanatics linked to Saudi Arabia", a special BBC investigation has alleged in a damning indictment of the two presidents Bush and American foreign policy. Active FBI special agent claims FBI obstructed anti-terrorist investigations. Complains that September 11 terrorists attacks might have been prevented.

http://www.indexoftheweb.com/911.htm

666 in the Barcode and "The Mark of the Beast" - ALL UPC Barcodes have the 666 code imbedded

There is 666 code imbedded in every barcode on every product sold in America. This page explains how to read the barcodes and the undeniable detail of the 666 code imbedded in each one. It also explains the profound implications. ... The UPC (Universal Product Code) is the type of barcode used at the cash register (Point of Sale). There are many types of barcodes but the only ones that will be recognized at the cash register are of the UPC type. Barcodes used for shipping labels or serial numbers are ignored. One product may have two different barcodes such as Diet Coke has a bar code on each can and another on a 12 pack case. The reseller will program their system to read the can barcode, the 12 pack barcode, or both based on which they sell. ... I may be wrong, but I do not believe that the barcode is the "Mark of the Beast". What I am sure of is that any new device (Smart Card, Implantable Microchip or other such device) MUST have the 666 markers imbedded within it in order to be decoded by existing equipment at the cash register.

http://www.indexoftheweb.com/Patriot/TheMark.htm

Constitution Party: HAVE CHRISTIANS BECOME DUPES - because a politician or conservative celebrity claims to be a Christian, they are presumed to be untouchable - Such people must not be criticized or challenged, no matter how unconstitutional or stupid their actions might be

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http://constitutionparty.com/news.php?aid=504

Constitution Party: Battered Voter Syndrome - 82% of those asked think the Republican Party no longer represents them - "Like battered spouses, many voters held on, believing time and again the promises the Republicans made about limiting government, staying true to conservative ideals and getting the country back on track" - "My view is that the Republican Party is beyond repair"

For Those Suffering from This Debilitating Disorder, New Poll Suggests Recovery Has Begun. LANCASTER, PA/ March 12, 2007: A recent poll taken at the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) in Washington, D.C. shows conservatives are fed up with the current political regime and want a new batch of leaders. The poll (ConservativesBetrayed.com) shows 82% of those asked think the Republican Party no longer represents them. The results of the poll are tantamount to a "no confidence" vote and come in the wake of the Republican Party's stunning defeat in November. "Like battered spouses, many voters held on, believing time and again the promises the Republicans made about limiting government, staying true to conservative ideals and getting the country back on track" commented Constitution Party (www.constitutionparty.com) National Chairman Jim Clymer. "For far too long voters endured the disappointment of years of broken promises from those they trusted. Now, it appears voters are quietly packing their bags, filing for divorce from their abusive political party and moving in with a party that has never strayed from its constitutionally-sound platform" Clymer noted.

http://www.constitutionparty.org/news.php?aid=485

Commentary: GOP hungers for an alternative - "What's missing so far is a clear down-the-line conservative champion, an establishment candidate"

The GOP presidential race can be summed up this way: three strong contenders and a hunger for someone else. ... "What's missing so far is a clear down-the-line conservative champion, an establishment candidate," said Greg Mueller, a GOP consultant. Nine months before the leadoff lowa caucuses, the fragmented field and disenchantment with the top candidates may present an opportunity for a fourth formidable contender to emerge. ... Romney, meanwhile, remains significantly low in national polls. He continues to be dogged by his reversals on abortion and gay rights, and his equivocations on other issues. He resumed television advertising in lowa and New Hampshire to define himself. His campaign is eager to start debates, in which aides believe he will shine. Given the (liberal) shifts in the field, Republican consultant Alex Vogel said, "You have to wonder whether gravity takes hold again and conventional (conservative) wisdom will apply or whether this really does indicate a new (liberal) paradigm in the Republican primary."

http://www.fdlreporter.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070413/FON06/704130499/1346/FONopinion

Pope puts his faith in the Book of Genesis, not Darwin - the Pope suggested that the "cosmos" was an "intelligent project" and criticised those who said that creation was without direction or order

Pope Benedict XVI has stepped into the debate over Darwinism with remarks that will be seen as an endorsement of "intelligent design". The Pope did not explicitly back intelligent design or creationism. He praised scientific progress but said that the Darwinian theory of evolution was "not finally provable" because: "We cannot haul 10,000 generations into the laboratory." Intelligent design (ID) argues that life forms are too complex to have evolved randomly, and must have been created by a higher power. Scientists denounce this as a thinly disguised form of creationism, the view that God created the world literally as described in the Book of Genesis. US courts have ruled that neither should be taught in school science because that would violate the separation of Church and State. ... Last November the Pope suggested that the "cosmos" was an "intelligent project" and criticised those who said that creation was without direction or order.

http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/europe/article1647614.ece

batzion.blogspot.com: The Set Time Has Arrived - Jesus is the soon coming King!

One of the most important and most neglected messages of the church today is the message of Jesus' second coming. Our fear of controversy has caused us to put this truth aside keeping silent on this vitally important, life-giving truth. Jesus is coming soon. In the Old Testament, there are twenty times as many prophecies about Jesus' second coming as there are about His first advent. In the 260 chapters of the New Testament, the second coming is mentioned 380 times. It is truly a most important topic. May the church restore again the fourth dimension of the four-square Gospel: Jesus is Saviour, Jesus is Healer, Jesus is the Baptizer in the Holy Spirit and Jesus is the soon coming King!

http://batzion.blogspot.com/

(Updated Link) John Conner visits Barnes and Noble, finds the Satanic Bible for Sale (Video 3:43)

John Conner author of The Resistance Manifesto goes to Barnes and Noble and finds the Satanic Bible for sale.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9MoZgmzHH1Q

Paul Wolfowitz May Not Survive World Bank Scandal Involving Girlfriend's Promotion, Pay Hike - The controversy dates back to 2005, when Wolfowitz, then the Bush Administrations No. 2 man at the Pentagon, joined the bank - Riza, who joined the bank in 1997, occupied a communications advisor job involving the Middle East region

Can World Bank president Paul Wolfowitz survive in his job? Increasingly, there is speculation that he cannot. ... The controversy dates back to 2005, when Wolfowitz, then the Bush Administrations No. 2 man at the Pentagon, joined the bank. At that time, Riza, who joined the bank in 1997, occupied a communications advisor job involving the Middle East region. In recognition of Wolfowitz's conflict of interest as her ultimate boss, Riza was moved to a post at the U.S. State Dept. where she worked directly for Liz Cheney, the daughter of the vice president - even while remaining on the Bank payroll. Her job title was bumped up to a managerial level. Her tax-free World Bank salary also moved-in fact it rocketed, from \$132,660 to \$193,590 by 2006 - making her better paid that Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, who earns a gross salary of \$186,000, and pays taxes on it.

(Wikipedia) Paul Wolfowitz - In 1977 under U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Wolfowitz made the move to The Pentagon to broaden his experience of military issues - but may be most famous as a prominent architect of the foreign policy of the George W. Bush administration known as the Bush Doctrine, which resulted in the 2003 invasion of Iraq

Paul Dundes Wolfowitz (b. December 22, 1943) is an American academic and political figure. He is currently the President of the World Bank, but may be most famous as a prominent architect of the foreign policy of the George W. Bush administration known as the Bush Doctrine, which resulted in the 2003 invasion of Iraq. ... Paul Wolfowitz was born to a Jewish family in the university town of Ithaca, New York, to parents Jacob Wolfowitz and Lillian Dundes. He was their second child. His father was a Professor of Mathematics at Cornell University. Jacob Wolfowitz was a Polish national of Jewish descent whose parents fled to the United States in 1920 to escape persecution. Many of Wolfowitz's relatives left behind in Poland were to die in the Holocaust. ... From 1989-93 under U.S. President George H.W. Bush Wolfowitz served as U.S. Undersecretary of Defense for Policy reporting to the then U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney. Wolfowitz was charged with realigning U.S. military strategy in the post-cold war environment. During the 1991 Persian Gulf War Wolfowitz's team were charged with the co-ordination and review of military strategy as well as the raising of \$50 billion in allied financial support for the operation.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paul_Wolfowitz

Leahy: Aides lying about White House-Justice e-mails - White House spokesman Scott Stanzel acknowledged that 22 White House aides have e-mail accounts sponsored by the RNC and that e-mails they sent may have been lost - The administration also is drafting new guidelines for aides on how to comply with the law

Democrats say the firings might have been improper, but that probe yielded a weightier question: Whether White House officials such as political adviser Karl Rove are intentionally conducting sensitive official presidential business via non-governmental accounts to evade a law requiring preservation -- and eventual disclosure -- of presidential records. The White House issued an emphatic "No" to those questions during a conference call with reporters Wednesday, saying the Republican National Committee accounts were used to comply with the Hatch Act, which bars political work using official resources or on government time. ... "E-mails don't get lost," Leahy insisted. "These are just e-mails they don't want to bring forward." The revelation about the e-mails escalates a standoff between the Democrat-controlled Congress and the White House over the prosecutor firings. The subpoenas come a few days before Attorney General Alberto Gonzales is to appear before Leahy's committee to fight for his job Tuesday. Leahy's panel approved new subpoenas that would require the Bush administration to surrender hundreds of new documents and force two officials -- Principal Associate Deputy Attorney General William Moschella and White House political aide Scott Jennings -- to reveal their roles in the firings. The panel delayed for a week a vote on whether to authorize a subpoena for Rove's deputy, Sara Taylor.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/04/12/fired.prosecutors.ap/index.html

(Monica M. Goodling) Bush Loyalist Rose Quickly at Justice - Part of a generation of young religious conservatives who swept into the federal government after the election of President Bush in 2000, Goodling displayed unblinking devotion to the administration and expected others to do the same {A misplaced allegiance, signing on with anything Bush is proving to be a low road to ruin.}

"She was the embodiment of a hardworking young conservative who believed strongly in the president and his mission," said David Ayres, former chief of staff to Bush's first attorney general, John D. Ashcroft. ... To her detractors, Goodling was an enforcer of political loyalty who was not squeamish about firings -- of interns or of senior officials. "She forced many very talented, career people out of main Justice so she could replace them with junior people that were either loyal to the administration or would score her some points," said a former career Justice official who spoke on the condition of anonymity, citing fear of reprisal. ... Goodling enrolled in law school at American University but transferred to Regent, founded by religious broadcaster Pat Robertson in Virginia Beach. ... "She is very motivated by her faith," Johnson added. "She doesn't wear her faith on her sleeve, but she lives a very faithful life." Greg Wilhelm, a Regent law school classmate, said Goodling also "developed a very positive reputation for people coming from Christian schools into Washington looking for employment in government, always ready to offer encouragement and be a sounding board."

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dvn/content/article/2007/03/29/AR2007032901964.html

Monica and the Media - The 33-year-old White House liaison and senior counselor to Attorney General Alberto Gonzales took a voluntary leave of absence last month but quickly made headlines declaring she would invoke her Fifth Amendment rights in the face of congressional pressure to testify about the U.S. attorney firings (YouTube 4:24)

D. Kyle Sampson's departure from the Justice Department came quietly and swiftly. One day he was chief of staff, the next day he was gone. But the story of Monica Goodling's eventual resignation from the Justice Department last week was hardly as simple. The 33-year-old White House liaison and senior counselor to Attorney General Alberto Gonzales took a voluntary leave of absence last month but quickly made headlines declaring she would invoke her Fifth Amendment rights in the face of congressional pressure to testify about the U.S. attorney firings. Her dramatic posture raised more questions than it answered as reporters began piecing together how this Republican operative climbed so quickly to the highest echelons of DOJ.

http://legaltimes.typepad.com/blt/2007/04/monica_and_the_.html

Goodling Resigns - the Patriot Act gave an attorney general authority to appoint "interim" prosecutors absent congressional approval, allowing Justice Department staff, including Monica Goodling and her boss, Kyle Sampson, to coordinate and implement the dismissal of eight U.S. attorneys last year as a "personnel matter"

The young Messiah College and Regent University Law School graduate apparently no longer believes that the "proper response is not retreat; it is courage," a quote from a 2005 speech by President Bush that she added as the auto-close to her now-infamous emails. Through her attorney, Washington political heavyweight John Dowd, the "young religious conservative" has refused several House and Senate entreaties to her former boss and to her lawyer to become a Congressional witness. ... Perhaps her testimony will not be necessary if Attorney General Alberto Gonzales takes full responsibility when he testifies this month. If that happens, we might have to wait for this Monica to write a book and be interviewed by Barbara Walters to know her full role in the matter.

http://www.slate.com/id/2163694/

{Flashback} Some background on Kyle Sampson - Gonzales Staffer Was "Ready Replacement" for Karl Rove - Kyle is from Utah - He also served a 2 year (Mormon) LDS mission to Minnesota Minneapolis around 1998-1991

Some background on Kyle Sampson, the now former chief of staff to Alberto Gonzales whom you'd never heard of before today. ... From the NYT: "...He arrived in Washington in 1999, around his 30th birthday, with impeccable credentials - at least for a man his age - among religious conservatives. A native of Utah and a Mormon, he had completed his undergraduate studies at Brigham Young University. Mr. Sampson then followed the lead of Dallin H. Oaks, the former president of Brigham Young, by attending the University of Chicago for law school, another bastion of conservatism..." Kyle is from Utah... He was edged out of the US Attorney job in Utah by Brett Tolman. Tolman was the guy that put the Patriot language in the conference report. ... He also served a 2 year LDS mission to Minnesota Minneapolis around 1998-1991.

http://www.tpmmuckraker.com/archives/002748.php

{Flashback} PAT ROBERTSON'S REGENT UNIVERSITY INVITES MORMON MITT ROMNEY! - they (Christians) will start wondering whether supporting the religious right leaders who have been taking them down this path for over 25 years was EVER the right thing to do - You know, whether it was EVER God's Will

See what people who are dancing with the mammon (money and power) demon are capable of. The Bush presidency and the Iraq War has been really harmful for the GOP and ESPECIALLY the religious right, and they know that if a Democrat gets into office (or worse, if a GOPer gets in without their at least PRETENDING to be kingmaker), then they will be to the GOP what, well, we blacks are to the Democratic Party! They will be out of power for good after having accomplished ABSOLUTELY NOTHING despite all those years of getting their parishioners to contribute money and volunteer for campaigns. And you know what will happen then? All of those parishioners who fill their suburban megachurches, send their kids to their colleges (LIKE REGENT UNIVERSITY, WHERE MORMON MITT ROMNEY IS GOING TO SPEAK!), and support their political and TV networks will start to wonder exactly why they spent all of their resources on trying to change laws through politics and the ballot box rather than trying to change hearts with the gospel, and then they will start wondering whether supporting the religious right leaders who have been taking them down this path for over 25 years was EVER the right thing to do. You know, whether it was EVER God's Will.

http://healtheland.wordpress.com/2007/03/08/pat-robertsons-regent-university-invites-mormon-mitt-romney/

No Thanks, Mr. President - Dem leader rejects Bush invite on war funding - "The president is inviting us down to the White House with preconditions That's not the way things should operate"

WASHINGTON - Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid on Tuesday turned down President Bush's invitation to meet at the White House next week to try to break through the stalemate over the Iraq war spending bill, charging the invitation came with "preconditions." Reid's response was the latest in the intensifying push-and-shove match between the Democratic-controlled Congress and the White House. Reid said Bush needs to "take a seat of negotiation, of compromise, of direction change." "The president is inviting us down to the White House with preconditions. That's not the way things should operate," he said at a press conference on Capitol Hill.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,265072,00.html

House committee subpoenas Gonzales documents - the panel chairman saying he had run out of patience

WASHINGTON (AP) -- The House Judiciary Committee subpoenaed new documents Tuesday from Attorney General Alberto Gonzales as part of its investigation into the firings of federal prosecutors, with the panel chairman saying he had run out of patience. ... But one Justice official, speaking on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the situation, said the House request included the full text of all documents that had been partially or completely blacked out in the Justice Department's initial release of more than 3,000 pages last month. The Justice official said some U.S. attorney evaluations were included in these documents. The official said the request also included an unredacted list ranking the performance and standing of each of the 93 U.S. attorneys. Government officials have previously confirmed that Chicago-based prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald, one of the Justice Department's premier U.S. attorneys, was ranked as "not distinguished." ... Gonzales, a former White House counsel who became attorney general in 2005, is scheduled to testify April 17 before the Senate Judiciary Committee. It is a congressional showdown believed to be a make-or-break appearance for Gonzales. The committee also has pledged to compel the testimony of White House officials such as Karl Rove and former counsel Harriet Miers to determine the extent of White House involvement. On Friday, Monica Goodling, the Justice Department's liaison to the White House, abruptly quit after telling Congress she would not testify.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/04/10/fired.prosecutors.ap/index.html

White House unofficial e-mail accounts draw scrutiny - The White House is being accused of improperly trying to hide e-mails about government business by using unofficial e-mail accounts - The Presidential Records Act, passed during the Nixon administration, requires the preservation of all official records of and about the president

WASHINGTON (CNN) -- The White House is being accused of improperly trying to hide e-mails about government business by using unofficial e-mail accounts. Congressional investigators say they found communications on one account from top White House aides about official matters, like the December firings of eight U.S. attorneys. Those e-mails were discovered on a Republican National Committee e-mail domain called gwb43.com. That domain is not part of the official White House communication system. The Presidential Records Act, passed during the Nixon administration, requires the preservation of all official records of and about the president. A White House spokesman defended the use of outside e-mail accounts as an appropriate method of separating official business from political campaign work. But the use of those accounts by officials discussing the firings -- and one from now-imprisoned lobbyist Jack Abramoff -- have led a liberal watchdog group to accuse administration of trying to skirt the law governing preservation of presidential records. "They wanted to make sure that no record could ever be found of what they were really up to in the White House," Melanie Sloan, executive director of Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington, told CNN.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/04/09/white.house.emails/index.html

McCain, Romney Advisers Spar Over Mormon Religion - Mark Halperin, one of the session's moderators, asked advisers to McCain and Giuliani whether they would pledge not to let anyone affiliated with their campaigns communicate negatively with voters about the Mormon religion - McCain campaign CEO Rick Davis and Giuliani campaign manager Mike DuHaime vowed not to do so {This is the problem with the Liberal Bush-Romney Republicans they love to deceive the public with cover-ups and lies and their own hidden agendas so much that the truth has now left the Republican Party and they are now no different from the Democratic Party.}

The issue was Romney's Mormon religion and for a few minutes, the audience was transfixed by an exchange between McCain advisers Bill McInturff and Stuart Stevens and Romney advisers Alex Castellanos and Ben Ginsberg. The discussion underscored the deep sensitivity within the former governor's campaign about the potential impact of his religion on his presidential aspirations. ... Mark Halperin, one of the session's moderators, asked advisers to McCain and Giuliani whether they would pledge not to let anyone affiliated with their campaigns communicate negatively with voters about the Mormon religion. When McCain campaign CEO Rick Davis and Giuliani campaign manager Mike DuHaime vowed not to do so, Ginsberg replied: "When is this on the record?" That brought the exchange to an end, but not before it was clear how touchy Romney campaign officials are about the religion issue and how concerned they appear to be that rival campaigns will continue to stoke it in coming months -- their pledges notwithstanding.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/04/09/AR2007040901229.html

Romney's Hunt for Voters Missing the Mark - The voters have already figured out that, on issue after issue, Romney is trying to smooth talk them into ignoring his real record instead of offering a real agenda for America {Mitt Romney's short tenure as a politician has racked up a staggering array of Lies and Deceit. Romney has crossed over the line of just being a misleading politician and is clearly in the realm of deranged, evil, hidden-agenda driven maniac. There is no way that good, honest, hard working Americans have anything in common with the Romney Republicans. Romney would clearly be a nightmare for America.}

The voters have already figured out that, on issue after issue, Romney is trying to smooth talk them into ignoring his real record instead of offering a real agenda for America. From abortion, to gay marriage, to gun rights, to tax cuts, to immigration reform, to Social Security -- even his own political heroes -- Romney has switched his positions on just about every issue in this campaign. All of this helps explain why Romney remains stuck in single digits in just about every poll ... "With his latest attempt to mislead the voters about his past, Mitt Romney has once again revealed the reality behind his cynical attempts to tell the voters whatever he thinks they want to hear," said Democratic National Committee spokesman Damien LaVera. "Romney is missing the mark on the campaign trail because voters want straight shooters who outline clear plans for America's future, not smooth talking, flip-flopping panderers who will say anything for their vote." ...

http://www.pr-inside.com/dnc-those-wascally-wabbits-romney-s-hunt-r87467.htm

The Basic Christian: Jesus Walk 2007 Easter Timeline Devotion - ** Now in Progress ** - Friday March 30th - Easter April 8th - Join in Anytime - Please invite your Church, family & friends, to experience the 2007 Jesus Walk Easter Timeline Devotion - It will change their life! - Because Jesus is the World's Only Hope! (PDF)

Follow along with Jesus in the current Resurrection (Easter) Holiday dates of 2007 during the last Ten days leading up to and including His Cross and His Glorious Resurrection. It also marvelously explains and demonstrates that Jesus did indeed die and remain deceased for a total of 3 days and 3 nights and that He then Resurrected, returned from death, just as He prophesied that He would. This is a Personal Study-Journal encouraging the reader to include their own devotions during this 10 day journey with Jesus.

http://www.basicchristian.us/downloads/JesusWalk.pdf

***A Venture in Faith: The Calvary Chapel Story (Movie - Improved Resolution) {*To Download Right Click - This Link -}

This is an outstanding documentary on the history and philosophy of Calvary Chapel. It demonstrates how through one man's (Chuck Smith) faith and obedience God began a revival in a period know as the Jesus Movement. This video chronicles the trials that Chuck Smith faced by stepping out into a ministry and trusting that Where God Guides, God Provides. This video tape is an encouraging message for anyone who desires to know and follow Gods will and to gain the proper perspective of ministry.

http://ffmp3.com/childrens/cd2/media/avif.rm

Happy Passover: Holiday Celebrates Freedom of Jewish People from Slavery

To all of my Jewish friends and readers, I wish you a Happy Passover. To all of my non-Jewish friends and readers, I will be out of blog-commission from Tonight until Wednesday Night, as I celebrate the Jewish holiday of Passover. Though, if time permits, I will try to have a few things for my webmaster to post in my absence. Thanks to the many of you who have sent me Passover good wishes and greetings. As you may know, Passover is the celebration of the Jewish people's freedom from slavery in Egypt. For the first two nights, beginning tonight, we have a special ceremonial dinner, called a "Seder," which means "order." We eat several foods to symbolize the bitterness and sadness of slavery and the joy of freedom from it. ...

http://www.debbieschlussel.com/archives/2007/04/happy_passover.html

Swift Boat donor's appointment sidesteps Congress - the president used his power to make recess appointments to put Fox in the job without Senate confirmation {Good the Bush administration did the right thing in this instance, I'm glad it worked out for Mr. Fox.}

WASHINGTON (AP) -- President Bush named Republican fundraiser Sam Fox as U.S. ambassador to Belgium on Wednesday, using a maneuver that allowed him to bypass Congress where Democrats had derailed Fox's nomination. Recognizing Fox did not have the votes to obtain Senate confirmation, Bush withdrew the nomination last month. On Wednesday, with Congress out of town for a spring break, the president used his power to make recess appointments to put Fox in the job without Senate confirmation. This means Fox can remain ambassador until the end of the next session of Congress, effectively through the end of the Bush presidency.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/04/04/bush.ambassador.ap/index.html

Come discover what can happen through a life yielded to God - Welcome to the Billy Graham Library, an innovative multimedia experience highlighting the life and ministry of Billy Graham - The Library is scheduled to open in late spring 2007, and will be open to the public free of charge

A Library Like No Other: Nearing completion in Charlotte, N.C., the Billy Graham Library will present his pursuit of God's calling for more than six decades of worldwide ministry. Visitors will first see the structure styled after a dairy barn-reminiscent of Billy's upbringing on a farm just four miles from the Library site. The entrance to the Library is in the shape of a cross, a visual reminder to visitors of the focus of his life work. Wooden beams emblazoned with Scriptures like "By God's grace you are saved through faith" span the main entry. ... "It is my prayer that this center will be a testimony to the world of the amazing love of God and the great things He can do through lives that are surrendered to Him." - Franklin Graham President of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.

http://www.billygraham.org/BGLibrary Index.asp

Mormon base a mixed blessing for Romney - one in Las Vegas and another outside Phoenix At both of those events, Mormons made up at least half the crowd - they are laying the foundation for a potent grass-roots network including a cadre of young church members experienced in door-to-door missions who say they are looking forward to hitting the streets for him - "When Mormons get mobilized, they're like dry kindling - You drop a match and get impressive results quickly," said University of Notre Dame political scientist David Campbell, who is Mormon {Donating to Romney's campaign is like donating to Mormon missions who will happily sign anyone up a Mormon as they go door-to-door for Romney.}

There was no great mystery why Romney was in town. The former Massachusetts governor is a Mormon, as are about one-quarter of Idaho residents, including Ipsen and many others who turned out for the lunchtime event. The fundraiser was bracketed by two others in the Mountain West: one in Las Vegas and another outside Phoenix. At both of those events, Mormons made up at least half the crowd, organizers said. Altogether, the two-day swing brought in well over \$1 million for Romney. As he vies for a place in the top tier of contenders for the Republican nomination, Romney is reaping enormous benefits from being part of a growing religion that has traditionally emphasized civic engagement and mutual support. Mormons are fueling his strong fundraising operation, which this week reported raising \$21million, the most of any Republican candidate. And they are laying the foundation for a potent grass-roots network - including a cadre of young church members experienced in door-to-door missions who say they are looking forward to hitting the streets for him. "When Mormons get mobilized, they're like dry kindling. You drop a match and get impressive results quickly," said University of Notre Dame political scientist David Campbell, who is Mormon. "It's almost a unique group in the way in which it's organized at the local level and the channels through which mobilization can occur." But the intensity of this support has a potential downside as Romney tries to establish an identity separate from a religion still regarded warily by many Americans - a quarter of whom, polls suggest, do not want a Mormon president.

http://www.sltrib.com/news/ci 5591972

House Democrats Offer Plan to Ban Use of 'Global War on Terror' - The memo, sent out on March 27, calls for specific references to specific operations instead of phrases used by the Bush administration - The memo offers replacement phrases such as "war in Iraq," "war in Afghanistan," "operations in the Horn of Africa" (Somalia) or "ongoing operations throughout the world" {Bush's 'War on Terror' is a fraud. It's just a cover to enable Bush to finance, empower and militarize radical Islam. As everyone knows radical Islam is progressing nicely since the Bush-Blair 'War on terror' besides Bush refuses to secure our own borders against 'terrorists' of any kind, again not a real war against terror.}

Democratic leaders in the House Armed Services Committee don't like the phrases and want defense policy to be more specific and "avoid using colloquialisms," according to the report. The memo, sent out on March 27, calls for specific references to specific operations instead of phrases used by the Bush administration. President Bush began using the "global War on Terror" phrase after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. ... The memo offers replacement phrases such as "war in Iraq," "war in Afghanistan," "operations in the Horn of Africa" or "ongoing operations throughout the world." ... Republicans weren't consulted about the changes, said Josh Holly, a spokesman for Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., ranking member of the committee.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,264008,00.html

Mitt Romney Unveils Secret Plan To End The (Iraq) War - Richard Nixon "campaigned in 1968 by saying he had a secret plan to end the war in Vietnam" His Defense Secretary Melvin Laird later wrote, "Richard Nixon was elected in 1968 on the assumption that he had a plan to end the Vietnam

War. He didn't have any such plan" In fact, the war dragged on, leading to over 20,000 American deaths {It is a pointless strategy, probably why Romney embraced it and besides candidates always have a secret plan and in this case a Mormon in the White House with more secrets can't be a good thing. Romney should try once again to just tell the truth.}

Creating a secret Iraq timeline, as Sen. Mark Pryor (D-AR) also proposed last week, would be pointless. The key purpose of a public timeline is to make clear to the Iraqi people and their government that the U.S. does not have an open-ended commitment to Iraq, and to use that fact to pressure Iraqi politicians to make compromises. Making it secret won't actually prevent Iraqis from knowing when the U.S. is leaving; there's no subtle way to pack up and move 145,000 troops and their equipment. Romney is just desperate to thread the needle between supporting Bush and distancing himself from the war, so much so that he's willing to embrace completely absurd ideas.

http://thinkprogress.org/2007/04/04/romney-timeline/

Romney's Funding Soars, But Not Polls - "Romney has yet to prove he has a strong base of support among voters" {Romney's ability to pile up millions of dollars has never been an issue however Romney's ability to be trusted to tell the truth is seriously an issue.}

"Romney has a background as a corporate executive and can raise money in the Mormon community. But is that enough to win the Republican nomination? He's going to have a hard time doing that," said Peter Schweizer, the author of books on the Bush family and the Reagan presidency and a research fellow at the Hoover Institution, a Republican-establishment think tank. ... When dealing with his Mormon religion, for instance, he often tries making jokes. At a dinner of Washington insiders Saturday, he noted Giuliani had suggested he may let his wife sit in on Cabinet meetings. "If I adopt the same policy," Romney cracked, "We're going to need a heck of a lot more chairs in the Cabinet room."

http://www.courant.com/news/politics/hc-romney0404.artapr04,0,140475.story

Bush denies he is isolated from own party - Commander-in-chief says he's trying to avoid the 'cauldron of chaos' Iraq could become - more "isolated from his own party in Congress" than any president of the past half-century, as one conservative columnist wrote

He is not, he said in response to a question, more "isolated from his own party in Congress" than any president of the past half-century, as one conservative columnist wrote. He has not, he said, lost his "gut-level bond with the American public," as the chief strategist of his 2004 campaign wrote. ... As Democrats see it, Bush is having a hard time adjusting to life in a two-party government. "He is president of the United States, not king of the United States," Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., told reporters in his home state. "He has another branch of government, a legislative branch of government, he has to deal with." Democratic presidential candidates quickly accused Bush of ignoring the public sentiment expressed in the November elections and in recent opinion polls. "This is vetoing the will of the American people," Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, N.Y., said in lowa. Both sides, of course, are engaged in what Bush on Tuesday called a "political dance," but the last step is not clear. The Democrats still must reconcile competing versions of their legislation, which Bush then plans to veto.

http://www.detnews.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070404/POLITICS/704040363/1020/NATION

Bush Backs (Democratic) Richardson Trip to North Korea - N.M. Governor in Group Claiming War Remains - the announcement from the Bush White House yesterday was a gift: - caused much

bipartisan head-scratching yesterday - "Talk about retreating to a Clinton policy" said Republican political consultant Ed Rogers - "Next they will want Hillary to sponsor heath-care legislation"

For a Democratic presidential candidate whose support in voter preference polls hovers around the margin of error, the announcement from the Bush White House yesterday was a gift: New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson (D) will co-head a private bipartisan delegation to North Korea next week to retrieve the remains of U.S. troops lost during the Korean War, receiving logistical support and technical expertise from the U.S. government. ... For that reason, the statement issued in the name of White House deputy press secretary Dana Perino caused much bipartisan head-scratching yesterday. "Talk about retreating to a Clinton policy," said Republican political consultant Ed Rogers. "Next they will want Hillary to sponsor heath-care legislation," he said, referring to the Democratic front-runner, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton (N.Y.), and her ill-fated bid to overhaul health insurance as first lady. Rogers said he was puzzled about why President Bush would complain yesterday about House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) visiting Syria while praising Richardson for going to North Korea.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/04/03/AR2007040301879.html

Proactive Americans Get Involved - The battle to stop the North American Union - The road to restoring American independence and preserving our freedom and American way of life must start at the grass roots, run through our local and state governments, and continue on to our U.S. Congress

That citizen activism of this sort is effective was proved by the major (though virtually unreported) David vs. Goliath victory in 2004 over the Free Trade Area of the Americas. As noted elsewhere in this issue, the effort to establish the FTAA was launched in 1994 and was planned to go into force in January 2005. John Birch Society President John F. McManus points out that the concerted two-year JBS campaign to "Stop the FTAA" paid off. "Many people thought the FTAA was unstoppable, and its promoters thought they had it cinched," Mr. McManus noted. "But we poured it on, with petitions, letter-writing, speaker tours, pamphleteering, billboards, literature distribution. Finally, the White House even realized they couldn't twist enough arms to pass it." While the major media, with the exception of CNN's Lou Dobbs, ignore both the efforts to create and to stop the North American Union, a single-issue nationwide coalition has been formed, calling itself the Coalition to Block the North American Union. The coalition, now including over 40 organizations, is led by a steering committee consisting of bestselling author Dr. Jerome Corsi, American Policy Center President Tom Deweese, Conservative Caucus Chairman (and chairman of the coalition) Howard Phillips, John Birch Society President John F. McManus, and Eagle Forum Founder Phyllis Schlafly. The road to restoring American independence and preserving our freedom and American way of life must start at the grass roots, run through our local and state governments, and continue on to our U.S. Congress. As more Todd Wursters continue to awaken to the nature of the battle before us, our prospects for traveling successfully down that road improve significantly.

http://www.jbs.org/node/3290

A Defector From the Bush Inner Circle - Does Matthew Dowd's startling public criticism of the President signal that a broader rebellion is stirring among former supporters? - "People are desperate to connect with one another and be a part of a cause greater than themselves - They're tired of spin and sloganeering from political, business, and religious institutions that constantly fail them" {Bush is a failed Liberal not a Conservative. Bush is as Liberal as they get.}

The buzz is strong because Dowd is the first defector from Bush's political inner circle, which has always been known for its loyalty. He was Bush's chief strategist in the 2004 re-election campaign and a Bush adviser dating back to the president's years as governor of Texas. Dowd seemed to embody a central part of Bush's appeal in 2000-his track record of reaching out to the other side. Dowd said he was moved to change his party affiliation from Democrat to Republican specifically because he was so impressed with Governor Bush and his promise to be a "uniter not a divider" as president. "I really like him, which is probably why I'm so disappointed in things," Dowd told the Times. He added: "I think he's become more, in my view, secluded and bubbled in." Dowd now calls for a withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq-the position that Democratic nominee John Kerry took in 2004-and wants Bush to reach out to his critics rather than take a "my way or the highway" approach. ... Another formative event, not analyzed by the Times, was Dowd's co-authorship of a book, Applebee's America, which was published last year by Simon & Schuster. In describing the book, the publisher said, "People are desperate to connect with one another and be a part of a cause greater than themselves. They're tired of spin and sloganeering from political, business, and religious institutions that constantly fail them." Anyone who read this book would have realized that Dowd had made a fundamental change in direction from the divide-and-conquer, govern-from-the-right strategy of Bush and Karl Rove. In the process of thinking about what's wrong with the country and writing that book, Dowd's distance from his former mentors grew wider and deeper.

http://www.usnews.com/usnews/news/articles/070402/2dowd.htm

Romney appears reconciled to cash politics - "I don't like the influence of money whether it's business, labor or any other group - I do not like that kind of influence" Romney said then - {now} the bundling model of fundraising credited to Bush and adopted by Romney - Under the system, wealthy donors and interest groups commit to raising \$100,000 to \$200,000 from their friends and business associates - "It breaks the back of the public financial system, allows candidates to evade disclosure and results in quid pro quo favors for the bundlers" {Just in case you wondered why calling your senator is so useless and why very little good, honest, descent legislation ever gets passed and mostly gambling, oil gouging, price fixing legislation gets passed it's because legislation is now totally bought and paid for in politics.}

In that 1994 campaign, Romney railed against the cost of political campaigns, argued for the elimination of political action committees and favored spending limits. "I don't like the influence of money whether it's business, labor or any other group. I do not like that kind of influence," Romney said then. "The kinds of demands being placed on the economics of running a campaign suggest an increasing power on the part of monied interests, and I think it's wrong and we've got to change it." In his first year as governor of Massachusetts, however, Romney signed legislation abolishing a taxpayer-financed campaign election system that included limits on candidate spending. ... Craig Holman, campaign finance lobbyist for the government watchdog group Public Citizen, wasn't as complimentary. He lamented that the 2008 presidential election will exceed \$1 billion and could be the first in which every candidate rejects public financing, designed to reduce the influence of special-interest money on politics. Holman blames the bundling model of fundraising credited to Bush and adopted by Romney. Under the system, wealthy donors and interest groups commit to raising \$100,000 to \$200,000 from their friends and business associates. Bush dubbed his bundlers pioneers and rangers. Donors solicited under this method put a distinct tracking number on their checks so that the campaign can monitor and credit each bundler's progress without revealing who is doing the actual fundraising. Under pressure from watchdogs, Bush revealed the names and home states of bundlers who met their targets, among them the notorious lobbyist Jack Abramoff. "There are so many dangers to this," Holman says. "It breaks the back of the public financial system, allows candidates to evade disclosure and results in quid pro quo favors for the bundlers." Romney has not said whether he will release the names of his major campaign solicitors. But a "fact sheet" disseminated by the Romney campaign says he believes in transparency and disclosure "in a way so the public knows who's raising money and who's contributing money."

'America can't afford Bush (Iraq) strategy' - if Bush upholds his threat and vetoes the legislation, it will be he, not the congressional majority, denying war funding to U.S. troops {Apparently Bush doesn't understand how the American government works. Bush had won the war over four years ago with the ousting of Saddam. Now in the fifth year Bush has been there too long, besides Bush himself promised America at the start that he would only stay in Iraq 6 months to depose Saddam.}

Sen. Harry Reid and Rep. Steny Hoyer, the Senate and House majority leaders respectively, are warning that if Bush upholds his threat and vetoes the legislation, it will be he, not the congressional majority, denying war funding to U.S. troops. Meanwhile, Rep. Rahm Emanuel accused the president of engaging in flights of fancy. ... Given the Administration's record of failure in Iraq, Democrats in Congress refuse to simply rubber-stamp the President's latest funding request. Thus, for the first time in four years, we demand that the Iraqi government be held accountable and meet the benchmarks for progress that the President himself articulated in January, and we support a responsible redeployment that is supported by nearly 70 percent of Americans and endorsed by the bipartisan, independent Iraq Study Group.

http://newsblogs.chicagotribune.com/news theswamp/2007/04/america cant af.html

Romney rakes in cash from Mormons - Still, polls show that Romney remains relatively little known outside Massachusetts, where he was elected governor in 2002; the business world, where he delivered hefty returns for investors in Bain Capital, the private equity firm he founded; and in Utah, where he has played a prominent role in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Although Romney's membership in the Mormon church has often been discussed as a potential political liability, he has taken deliberate steps to turn his affiliation with the church into a fundraising asset. He has tapped wealthy Mormon donors including the Marriott family, founders of the hotel chain, and Jon M. Huntsman Sr., whose family made a fortune in plastics packaging. Last year, for example, Huntsman and his sons gave more than \$100,000 to political action committees set up to lay the groundwork for Romney's campaign. A handful of other Mormons have done so as well. They made the contributions through a chain of federal and state committees Romney set up that allowed donors to contribute the legal limit of \$5,000 to each one. Residents of Utah, the center of the Mormon church, contributed about 15 percent of the total contributions, more per capita than any other state. Last fall, officials of the Romney campaign met privately with a senior leader of the Mormon church about reaching out to the 6 million Mormons around the country. The Boston Globe reported that Romney campaign officials also contacted officers of the church's school, Brigham Young University, where Romney attended college. Two deans of the university's business school later sent an e-mail message to 150 supporters and alumni soliciting donations for the campaign, the newspaper reported.

http://www.dailynews.com/news/ci 5579933

National Association of Evangelicals (NAE) President Backs Bible Text for Public Schools - Some Christians have also voiced disapproval of the text book, including radio talk show co-host Nancy Manno of the In Great Company, who said it "uses the Bible to advance a secular humanist agenda and a one world, pluralistic religion"

The new president of the National Association of Evangelicals has endorsed a hotly debated public school Bible textbook that was recently highlighted in Time magazine's cover story about why the Bible should be taught in public school. ... Some Christians have also voiced disapproval of the text book, including radio talk show co-host Nancy Manno of the In Great Company, who said it "uses the Bible to advance a secular humanist agenda and a one world, pluralistic religion." Manno also said in a statement that she discredits the book's author, Freedom Forum First Amendment Center Senior Scholar Charles Haynes, as an unreliable source for Christian input. Despite such opposition, The Bible and Its Influence is in its first year and is being used in 83 school districts in 30 states. In total, Bible curricula are now being studied in 460 school districts in 37 states, according to Time magazine. Others who support the text include Bishop Richard Sklba, chair of the Catholic Biblical Association and Marc Stearn, the general counsel of the American Jewish Congress.

http://www.christianpost.com/article/20070331/26629_NAE_President_Backs_Bible_Text_for_Public_Schools.htm

Stephanopoulos Catches Mitt Romney Lying for the (Mormon) Lord - {Apparently door-knocker Mitt learned his Mormon lies and deceptions well back in his (LDS) missions days and still confused Christians think Romney and the Mormons are good honest people.} (YouTube :58)

Brief clip of Stephanopoulos correcting Romney on Mormon Doctrine. The video is from a third party source not affiliated with the networks. ... Romney chose to evade the question and answer something else. Why is it so hard for Mormons to understand that this is lying? He answered a question that was not asked and tried to pass it off. He got caught. End of story. This wasn't the first time and I am sure it won't be the last.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nnSe238oUM

Constitution Party Poised to Challenge 'Big Box' Parties in '08 - "Conservatives are extremely disappointed and disillusioned with the national Republican Party - This discouragement is only deepened as they peruse the field of prominent candidates being trotted out as 'frontrunners'"

Third Largest Political Party to Convene in Boise: LANCASTER, PA: The Constitution Party (www.constitutionparty.com) will hold its Spring National Committee Meeting April 20-21, 2007 in Boise, Idaho. The third largest federally-recognized political party, based on voter registrations (www.ballot-access.org) announced a nation-wide gathering of party leaders and those seeking an alternative to 'politics as usual' in 2008. "... (C)onservatives are extremely disappointed and disillusioned with the national Republican Party. This discouragement is only deepened as they peruse the field of prominent candidates being trotted out as 'frontrunners'", commented columnist and radio talk show host Chuck Baldwin. ... As the Constitution Party gears up for the '08 presidential race with plans to gain ballot access in all 50 states voters are encouraged to find out about the party's Life, Liberty and Limited Government platform. Representatives from across the country will participate in the National Committee meeting to focus on party-building, voter registration drives and ballot access efforts. To arrange media access to the Constitution Party Spring National Committee Meeting or to schedule phone interviews.

http://constitutionparty.com/news.php?aid=496

FOX News Poll: Most Think Democrats Will Win White House in 2008 - By 67% to 22%, American voters think the Democrats are going to win the 2008 presidential election {It's likely that the Republicans will finish being swept from power when they lose the White House in 2008. Somehow I get the feeling they don't even care and that second place is good enough for them. But they should not count on always having second place I think the "Constitution Party" has more promise and

could easily compete.}

NEW YORK - The latest FOX News poll finds that Americans think the next person to move into the White House will be a Democrat, and while many voters would be enthusiastic or pleased if any one of the current front-runners were to win, one candidate scares more people than the others - Sen. Hillary Clinton.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,262398,00.html

The Constitution Party - "The Constitution Party's third party conservative political platform is focused on restoring the Federal Government to the Constitution's provisions and has FEC recognized national party status" {Since the Liberal Bush-Romney Republican Party is intent on crashing and burning this looks like a good alternative political party to join.}

The Democrats and Republicans have squandered the Founders' legacy of liberty and justice under the Constitution. Countless government officials in the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of government ignore their oath to uphold and defend the Constitution. Join the Constitution Party in its work to restore our government to its Constitutional limits and our law to its Biblical foundations.

http://www.constitutionparty.com/

White House works behind the scenes for immigration reform - The administration has been meeting with key Republican senators to devise a consensus plan aimed at garnering wide GOP support - The intense effort - conceived by the president's chief political strategist, Karl Rove - is intended to ensure that Bush will achieve at least one crucial policy victory in the last two years of his presidency {When Bush goes through with his amnesty for illegal aliens plan it could possibly kill the Republican Party. This would be a last straw for many and why would anyone support the Republican party when Bush just gave 40 million new Democrats a vote, there are not 40 million Republican votes to counter this move. The sad thing is Bush is mostly a Democrat himself and he could care less if the Republican Party is destroyed.}

WASHINGTON - With President Bush looking to counter a legacy increasingly marred by the war in Iraq, the White House has launched a bold, behind-the-scenes drive to advance a key domestic goal: immigration reform. For a month, White House staffers and Cabinet members have met three to four times a week with influential Republican senators and aides to hash out a consensus plan designed to draw a significant number of GOP votes. With that effort largely completed, Republicans were hoping to present their proposal Wednesday to Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.), who would lead the Democrats in any attempt to move a bill through the Senate. The intense effort - conceived by the president's chief political strategist, Karl Rove - is intended to ensure that Bush will achieve at least one crucial policy victory in the last two years of his presidency. ... Though public work on an immigration overhaul appeared to have slowed, momentum simply moved behind closed doors. "We are working very hard on this," Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutierrez said in an interview, calling it a "top priority."

http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-na-immig29mar29,1,301512.story

{Flashback} Bush names Education Department headquarters after LBJ - Lawmakers were eager to move the bill quickly so that the former first lady would know that the Department of Education headquarters, near Capitol Hill, will be known as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Federal Building

WASHINGTON - Lyndon Baines Johnson's daughters, Lynda Robb and Luci Baines Johnson, returned to the Oval Office on Friday for a bill-signing that named the Education Department headquarters building after their father, the 36th president. It was a Texas reunion for the Johnson daughters and their families and President Bush and first lady Laura Bush. "We're all children of the Oval Office," Bush said, according to Rep. Gene Green, D-Texas, who sponsored the legislation. ... Lawmakers were eager to move the bill quickly so that the former first lady would know that the Department of Education headquarters, near Capitol Hill, will be known as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Federal Building. ... The bill was stalled for several Congresses by former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, who objected to the "big government" that Johnson represented.

http://www.fortwayne.com/mld/newssentinel/news/editorial/16963071.htm

e {The Republicans have been more supporting, forwarding and advancing of individual Democrats and the Democrat agenda than even the Democrats themselves have been. Bush has needlessly, through his neglect and misuse has put the Republican Party into severe disarray, disarray that could possibly even end the Republican Partys viability as a National party.}">{Flashback} Listen, who did President Bush invite first to the White House but Ted Kennedy? Who did George Bush Sr. give his third annual award for distinguished service? To Ted Kennedy. And who did President Bush rename the Justice Department? The Robert F. Kennedy Justice Department. So it's really not a partisan issue {The Republicans have been more supporting, forwarding and advancing of individual Democrats and the Democrat agenda than even the Democrats themselves have been. Bush has needlessly, through his neglect and misuse has put the Republican Party into severe disarray, disarray that could possibly even end the Republican Party's viability as a National party.}

MATTHEWS: Let me ask you about the Kennedy family. First of all, the word Camelot is in fact a post-Dallas term. No one ever called the new frontier Camelot when Kennedy was there. Who first started it? It was Jackie in her interview with Ted White for "LIFE" magazine that created the whole notion of Camelot. Do you think it was just a myth? LAURENCE LEAMER, AUTHOR, "SONS OF CAMELOT": Well, White didn't know what to do that weekend, because he thought it was over the top. But here was the president's widow the weekend after. And he went with it and it created an enormous impact in "LIFE" magazine. Yes, but I think, finally, after all these years, we've come to terms with the Kennedys, the good and the bad. Listen, who did President Bush invite first to the White House but Ted Kennedy? Who did George Bush Sr. give his third annual award for distinguished service? To Ted Kennedy. And who did President Bush rename the Justice Department? The Robert F. Kennedy Justice Department. So it's really not a partisan issue. We know that these are patriots who care for their country. MATTHEWS: In fact, Ronald Reagan, to name another Republican, he gave the Freedom Medal to Robert Kennedy soon after he came in. And Jimmy Carter had been holding that up. But I guess question is, what role do they play? Are they out of power or in power? Would you say the Kennedys are still influential with regard to national policy?

http://peacecorpsonline.org/messages/messages/467/2021717.html

{*Correction - apparently if you raise \$1,000 for Romney you get \$100 but if you raise up to \$999.00 you still get zero for your efforts.} Romney offers student fundraisers a commission - Participants in "Students for Mitt" will get 10 percent of the money they raise for the campaign beyond the first \$1,000 {Why is the first \$1,000 free to Mitt? This is a scam! Go out and raise Mitt \$1,100 and all Mitt will do is cut you a *\$110 check. Legit business practices do not rip-off their workers. I bet Mormon Mitt calculated that the average hard working volunteer could come up with \$500 or less so Mitt decided to pay at \$1,000 ensuring he wouldn't have to pay much if anything to his workers.}

Participants in "Students for Mitt" will get 10 percent of the money they raise for the campaign beyond the first \$1,000. While candidates often offer professional fundraisers commissions up to 8 percent, campaign experts believe the Massachusetts Republican is the first to do so with the legion of college students who have historically served as campaign volunteers. ... The participants are asked to contact members of their academic, social and family circles ... The students get 10 percent of all money above \$1,000 that is contributed under their ID and source code.

http://news.bostonherald.com/politics/view.bg?articleid=191105

Critics chide Romney's fundraiser payouts - Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney is engaging in a fundraising tactic that professional money raisers say may be unethical - people raising money should take a set fee for their services

He's offering to pay a percentage-based commission to students collecting cash for his White House bid. The practice of paying a percentage commission is listed as unethical in a code of standards by the Association of Fundraising Professionals, who instead say those people raising money should take a set fee for their services. ... Romney's campaign launched the program this month and advertised several recruiting meetings for college students. The first two locations: Provo, Utah, and Rexburg, Idaho, home of LDS Church-owned Brigham Young University and BYU-Idaho, respectively. Romney is a Mormon, though students signing up for the program are told not to use any church-related list to raise funds.

http://www.denverpost.com/headlines/ci 5543460

Expanding the Team and the Take: Team Romney Steals Another March - Mitt Romney's latest innovation in the field of fundraising has eyebrows raised again {At one time honorable Republicans like Ronald Reagan promised to serve the American people. Now the Bush-Romney Republicans and other politicians demand that Americans serve them ... millions and millions of dollars. Romney doesn't get it when it comes to the honored institutions of the USA and when he is done everything in America and about America is going to be a get-rich-quick scheme.}

Which is why Mitt Romney's latest innovation in the field of fundraising has eyebrows raised again. I detailed in my new book, "A Mormon in the White House," the innovations Romney brought to the 2005-2006 cycle, including the first-ever use of state committees as a substitute for a single PAC. Romney thus outraised all of the other GOP contenders last year. The book also went to press late enough to include notice of Romney's opening-day telethon that netted \$7 million, a record-setting single-day tally. Now at --- comes the latest innovation: rewarding the younger fundraisers who sign on to the effort with 10 percent of any funds raised above the first \$1,000.

http://abcnews.go.com/Politics/BothSidesAllSides/story?id=2988499&page=1

DiFi (Sen. Dianne Feinstein) and the culture of corruption - Sen. Dianne Feinstein's conflict of interests as a member of the Military Construction Appropriations subcommittee who voted for appropriations worth billions to her husband's firms - They report on Feinstein's resignation from the subcommittee yesterday: SEN. Dianne Feinstein has resigned from the Military Construction Appropriations subcommittee

Is DiFi dirty? In January, I linked to Metroactive's extensive investigation of Sen. Dianne Feinstein's conflict of interests as a member of the Military Construction Appropriations subcommittee who voted for appropriations worth billions to her husband's firms. Looks like Metroactive's work may have had an effect. They report on Feinstein's resignation from the subcommittee yesterday: ... The NYTimes is demanding an investigation. Arianna Huffington has launched ads lambasting Feinstein. The left-wing blogosphere is an uproar over Feinstein's war profiteering. -- Kidding. Am I missing something? Because I surfed over to the San Francisco Chronicle website, and as of 10:55am Eastern, I see nothing about Feinstein's resignation.

http://michellemalkin.com/archives/007198.htm

Study: Dinosaur loss wasn't mammals' gain - "I was flabbergasted," said study co-author Ross MacPhee, curator of vertebrate zoology at the American Museum of Natural History in New York {More proof the evolutionist are simply groping their way through theories and making them up as they go along.}

NEW YORK (AP) -- The big dinosaur extinction of 65 million years ago didn't produce a flurry of new species in the ancestry of modern mammals after all, says a huge study that challenges a long-standing theory. Scientists who constructed a massive evolutionary family tree for mammals found no sign of such a burst of new species at that time among the ancestors of present-day animals. ... Some experts praised the large scale of the new evolutionary tree, which used a controversial "supertree" method to combine data covering the vast majority of mammal species. It challenges paleontologists to find new fossils that can shed light on mammal history, said Greg Wilson, curator of vertebrate paleontology at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science. William J. Murphy of Texas A&M University, who is working on a similar project, said no previous analysis had included so many mammal species. But, "I don't think this is the final word," he said. The study's approach for assigning dates was relatively crude, he said, and some dates it produced for particular lineages disagree with those obtained by more updated methods. So as for its interpretation of what happened when the dinosaurs died off, "I'm not sure that conclusion is well-founded," Murphy said.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/TECH/science/03/28/mammal.evolution.ap/index.html

Netflix CEO Joins Microsoft Board - It also includes ... James E. Robison professor of business administration at the Harvard Business School; Dina Dublon, former chief financial officer of JPMorgan Chase; and Raymond Gilmartin, professor of management practice at Harvard Business School and former chairman, president and chief executive officer of Merck & Co ... David Marquardt, general partner at August Capital, ... Charles Noski, former vice chairman of AT&T; and Dr. Helmut Panke, former chairman of the board at BMW AG, round out the board

Microsoft announced it has expanded the company's board by one seat -- from nine to 10 -- and elected Reed Hastings, 46, chairman and CEO of Netflix, to fill the new spot. Hastings has also been appointed to the finance committee. ... Hastings founded Netflix in 1997, and the company had 6.3 million subscribers by the end of 2006, more than doubling over the last two years. Prior to founding Netflix, Hastings founded Pure Software, which he built into one of the world's 50 largest public software companies, according to a Microsoft statement. Rational Software, now a part of IBM, bought out Pure in 1997. Also a former president of the California State Board of Education, Hastings has a masters in computer science from Stanford University, according to his bio online.

http://redmondmag.com/news/article.asp?EditorialsID=8374

Bush, Broadcast Reporters Share A Few Laughs - President Bush poked fun at himself (again)

Wednesday night at the annual Radio and Television Correspondents' dinner {At a time when the Nation desperately needs leadership we truly have a child in the White House office. In these days Bush should have canceled his appearance at this dinner, he has more important things to do than to Yuk it Up yet again with the press corps.}

"A year ago my approval rating was in the 30s, my nominee for the Supreme Court had just withdrawn, and my vice president had shot someone," the president said. "Ah," he said, "those were the good ol' days." ... Looking ahead to life after leaving the White House, Mr. Bush said he might follow President Clinton's lead and produce a memoir. "I'm thinking of something really fun and creative for mine," he said. "You know, maybe a pop-up book."

http://www.kwtx.com/home/headlines/6768027.html

Poll: Americans Overwhelmingly Oppose Israeli Land Concessions - Americans believing by a factor of 45% to 22% that a Palestinian state would be a "terrorist state rather than a peaceful democracy"

The poll, conducted among 1,000 Americans on March 25, also found that Americans overwhelmingly (by a factor of 45% to 4.6%) supported Israel over the Palestinians in the context of the conflict. "This puts to rest that anti-Semitic nonsense [according to which] a small group of Jews are pushing America into doing Israel's will," commented ZOA head Morton Klein upon the release of the poll's findings on Tuesday. "American congressmen support Israel because their constituents do," he told The Jerusalem Post, adding, "if [Americans' support was] 10-to one in favor of the Arabs over Israel, I promise you Congress would not be supporting Israel." The study's findings indicate that a primary issue which may be detracting from support for the Palestinians is terrorism, with Americans believing by a factor of 45% to 22% that a Palestinian state would be a "terrorist state rather than a peaceful democracy." "And it's not surprising," commented Klein, saying of the Palestinians: "It's not like they're acting like decent civilized people promoting peace. They're not. Most Palestinians say in polls [conducted in Palestinian areas] that even if they have a state they will continue with terrorism." ... The study's findings regarding Egypt and Saudi Arabia show that Americans are almost as wary of these countries as they are of Palestinian intentions, as 65% of Americans believe that Saudi Arabia is an unreliable and untrustworthy ally "in the war against radical Islamic terrorism," according to the figures, compared with only 11% who believe the opposite.

http://www.iris.org.il/blog/archives/2297-Shock-Poll-Americans-Overwhelmingly-Oppose-Israeli-Land-Concessions.html

Senate passes war spending bill with withdrawal deadline - Bush invited all House Republicans to the White House to appear with him in a sort of pep rally to bolster his position in the continuing war policy fight {Now the Bush Republican Party has sunk to the depths that Republicans are not to support America but Bush only. If this keeps up The Republican defeat in 2006 is going to be minor compared to a 2008 defeat.}

The Senate vote marked its boldest challenge yet to the administration's handling of a war, now in its fifth year, that has cost the lives of more than 3,200 American troops and more than \$350 billion. In a show of support for the president, most Republicans opposed the measure, unwilling to back a troop withdrawal schedule despite the conflict's widespread unpopularity.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/03/29/us.iraq.ap/index.html

Bush withdraws envoy nominee who had Swift Boat campaign ties {Liberal Republicans like George

Bush cannot be counted on to come through and defend their base supporters. The Swift Boat Vets are probably wondering why they even bothered to raise money and support Bush.}

Washington -- Facing almost certain defeat in the Senate, the White House on Wednesday withdrew the ambassadorial nomination of Sam Fox, who contributed \$50,000 to the Swift Boat veterans' controversial campaign against Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., in the 2004 presidential race. President Bush had nominated Fox, a St. Louis businessman, to be the U.S. envoy to Belgium. The withdrawal, a rare setback for the sort of nomination that normally would sail through the Senate, reflected both the muscle Democrats are exercising in Congress and the problems likely to surround any Bush appointee linked to the attacks on Kerry. ... The nomination was withdrawn less than an hour before the committee was scheduled to vote on it, amid indications that Fox would be defeated. Fox, 77, is national chairman of the Jewish Republican Coalition. He and his wife have donated about \$1 million to a long list of moderate and conservative Republican candidates and causes since the early 1990s.

http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/c/a/2007/03/29/MNG5LOTPA21.DTL

Ex-Justice official (Kyle Sampson) says prosecutors fired for not supporting Bush agenda - He acknowledged planning the firings as much as two years ago with the considered, collective judgment of a number of senior Justice Department officials - However, he denied that the firings were improper {Besides totally fanning the flames of the scandal Kyle makes it sound like his job was just a giant witch hunt. Until now the Republican Party line has been that the prosecutors were not performing well enough.}

WASHINGTON---- Eight federal prosecutors were fired last year because they did not sufficiently support President Bush's priorities, Attorney General Alberto Gonzales' former chief of staff maintains, calling it a legitimate policy. ... The Justice Department admitted Wednesday that it gave senators inaccurate information about the firings and presidential political adviser Karl Rove's role in trying to secure a U.S. attorney's post in Arkansas for one of his former aides, Tim Griffin. ... Still, Sampson provided plenty of fodder. He acknowledged planning the firings as much as two years ago with the considered, collective judgment of a number of senior Justice Department officials. However, he denied that the firings were improper, and he spoke dismissively of Democrats' condemnation of what they call political pressure in the firings. "The distinction between 'political' and 'performance-related' reasons for removing a United States attorney is, in my view, largely artificial," he said. "A U.S. attorney who is unsuccessful from a political perspective ... is unsuccessful." {Politics is not above the law. The Bush administration seems to think it is above the law and even that now it is the law.}

http://www.suntimes.com/news/nation/318770,pros032907.article

Support of Romney for President is Dropping - only three percent of Republican and Republican-leaning voters support Romney, down from eight percent earlier this month

(KSL News) A new poll shows support is dropping for Republican Presidential hopeful Mitt Romney. The poll done by USA Today shows only three percent of Republican and Republican-leaning voters support Romney, down from eight percent earlier this month. The paper says part of the drop could be blamed on the announcement from former Tennessee senator Fred Thompson saying he may enter the race.

http://www.ksl.com/?nid=148&sid=1039792

Senate Democrats Win Vote to Keep Iraq Withdrawal Timetable in Emergency Spending Bill -

President Bush has said he will veto any withdrawal language and the votes are not there to override his veto - The debate came on legislation that provides \$122 billion to fund the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan as well as domestic priorities such relief to hurricane victims and payments to farmers {I don't think Bush can veto this bill it has his funding in it and he needs it.}

Before the vote, Nelson said he would reject the measure - offered up by Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss. - because it strikes several other "critical provisions, including language acknowledging that the situation in Iraq has become a civil war," as well as a call for diplomatic and political engagement by the Iraqi and American governments. The measure also called for suggested goals for the Iraqi government to provide for its own security, enhance democracy and distribute its oil wealth fairly. "Such steps are necessary for success in Iraq and I do not support taking them out of the supplemental bill. Therefore, I will vote against this amendment," Nelson said.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,261664,00.html

Sentiment on war has shifted, but not President Bush - WITHIN THREE weeks, the United States could face a constitutional crisis over President Bush's war policy in Iraq - Bush's "take-it-or-leave-it" approach to the bill is also "hurting the political standing of his Republican colleagues" in Congress by forcing them to back an open-ended commitment in Iraq at a time when their constituents are demanding a different approach

WITHIN THREE weeks, the United States could face a constitutional crisis over President Bush's war policy in Iraq. The president and his allies seem to want this fight. Yet insisting upon a confrontation will be another mistake in a long line of bad judgments about a conflict that grows more unpopular by the day. ... Bush, of course, might still win this Senate vote and a reprieve for his war policy. But the president's refusal to acknowledge that the country has fundamentally changed its mind on the war makes it impossible for him to work with Congress on a sensible approach to a withdrawal that will happen some day -- with or without a constitutional showdown.

http://www.sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?file=/chronicle/archive/2007/03/27/EDG56N7C0K1.DTL

U.S. commander: No civil war in Iraq - He characterizes the Iraqi conflict as being driven by "small factions fighting each other" {If his assessment is true then this is an Iraqi situation and there is no reason for our troops to be over there and we should finally bring them home. However I doubt his assessment is honest and there is a major civil war going on over there and Bush is determined to support the radical Shiite's until the end.}

The Pentagon report said warfare in Iraq has morphed from a "predominantly Sunni-led insurgency against foreign occupation to a struggle for the division of political and economic influence among sectarian groups and organized criminal activity." {I would question the "Sunni-led" aspect it seems al-Sadr, the Shiites and Iran have been a bigger problem for the USA, but then Bush doesn't seem to want to be honest about what is going on over there.} ... When he was asked, "What are you going to do about Iran?" Fallon says, "The question is what is Iran going to do about its behavior." {Isn't that propaganda 101 where the person answers a valid question with their own nonsense question?}

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/meast/03/27/irag.centcom/index.html

Billy Graham ceremony draws special guests - the dedication of the \$27 million Billy Graham Library - The library will be open free of charge within weeks after the dedication, Franklin Graham said

CHARLOTTE -- Two former U.S. presidents will attended the dedication of the \$27 million Billy Graham Library, which the facility's namesake also is expected to attend. ... The library looks like a barn from the outside, a tribute to Graham's childhood years spent on a farm. A giant glass cross is built-in to the front of the building, which Graham estimates will attract 200,000 to 400,000 people annually. The library will be open free of charge within weeks after the dedication, Franklin Graham said.

http://rdu.news14.com/content/headlines/?ArID=102394&SecID=2

Romney Offers Student Fundraisers Money - Participants in "Students for Mitt" will get 10 percent of the money they raise for the campaign beyond the first \$1,000 {Mitt is turning his Presidential bid into just another 'get-rich-quick' scheme for himself; he probably doesn't know how to do anything else.}

"It may very well succeed, but I'd like to think that he'd approach young people and college students based on their commitment to the country, not because they want walking-around money," said Steve Grossman, a prominent Massachusetts fundraiser and past chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

http://www.poststar.com/articles/2007/03/27/ap/headlines/d8o4eni00.txt

George Soros And The Dope Lobby - Bill Maher, has also declared, "I'm the guy who thinks religion is bad and drugs are good"

Richardson took \$50,000 from Soros and one of his pro-marijuana front groups and successfully pressured the New Mexico state legislature into passing a fraudulent "medical marijuana" bill that offers false hope to sick people. Meanwhile, a leading British newspaper, The Independent, has now admitted, years after promoting the decriminalization of marijuana in that country, that the drug causes a loss of contact with reality, a condition known as psychosis, and other mental problems. The Independent, which had successfully campaigned to decriminalize the drug in Britain, published a March 18 editorial apologizing for having misled the public. ...

http://www.gopusa.com/commentary/ckincaid/2007/ck 03261.shtml

Stephanopoulos Catches Mitt Romney Lying for the (Mormon) Lord - (YouTube :58)

Brief clip of Stephanopoulos correcting Romney on Mormon Doctrine. The video is from a third party source not affiliated with the networks. ... Romney chose to evade the question and answer something else. Why is it so hard for Mormons to understand that this is lying? He answered a question that was not asked and tried to pass it off. He got caught. End of story. This wasn't the first time and I am sure it won't be the last.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nnSe238oUM

Romney Receding - A big financial backer in Florida defects from the Romney to the Giuliani camp - Meanwhile, NewHampshireforRomney.com is desperately seeking bloggers - after the three they had lost interest - and hasn't been updated, apparently, since January 30, 2007

It has not been a good couple of days for the Romney campaign. The former senator from Tennessee, Fred Thompson, who isn't even running, overtakes Mr. Romney in Iowa, where there's a robust Romney campaign apparatus. Mr. Thompson ties Mr. Romney in Ohio. A big financial backer in Florida defects from the Romney to the Giuliani camp. Now, a rival-campaign operative forwards on some other recent bad news for Mitt that you may have missed. First, we've got one state rep. in Michigan switching from Romney to McCain, and another state rep. in Michigan, a member of Mr. Romney's leadership team in the state, defecting to Mr. Giuliani. Also, a Tennessee congressman, John J. Duncan Jr. (R-Knoxville), who endorsed Mr. Romney less than two months ago, now says he'd rather support Mr. Thompson if he enters the fray. Meanwhile, NewHampshireforRomney.com is desperately seeking bloggers - after the three they had lost interest - and hasn't been updated, apparently, since January 30, 2007.

http://www.nysunpolitics.com/blog/2007/03/romney-receding.html

Those Left Behind By Evolution - Mitt Romney has described the shift in his positions on abortion and other issues as an evolution, a gradual change that occurred when he broadened his perspective as time passed

... the death of a distant relative in an illegal abortion, convincing him (Mitt Romney) that the procedure needed to remain legal. {I wonder if Mitt will ever become convinced that any abortion is dangerous to both the mother and the child.} ... The personal touch got Al Gore in trouble in 2000. Recall when Gore used the death of his sister to explain his anti-tobacco passion -- and then it came out that Gore profited from leasing his land to tobacco interests years after her death? Republicans had no problem pointing out the hypocrisy involved then, and we can expect these anecdotes to come out of Romney's past in the 2008 campaign.

http://www.captainsquartersblog.com/mt/archives/009499.php

Newspapers Roiled by Declining Ad Revenue - Newspaper ad revenue suffered a sharp drop in February, with some leading U.S. publications showing double-digit declines compared to February of last year

Collectively, February ad sales were "the worst group performance to date," said Steven Barlow, an analyst at Prudential Equity Group. Mark Fratrik, an economist at BIA Financial Network, told the New York Times: "The younger groups, the most desired demographics, are just not reading [newspapers]." ... Newspaper circulation peaked in 1984 at 63 million, but today stands at 53 million. Analysts said the decline in ad revenue was due in large part to the shift of classified ads from print to online, and to the weakness of the real estate market in several areas, the Times reported. ... There was one piece of good news for the newspaper industry - ad spending on newspaper Web sites rose 31.5 percent last year compared to the year before, to \$2.7 billion. But that's still small potatoes compared to last year's \$22.2 billion in print ad revenue.

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/ic/2007/3/26/111954.shtml

UPS Launches Package Intercept Service - a new service allowing customers to intercept or reroute sent packages before they are delivered - "This service allows us to create flexibility and a kind of insurance policy for customers in a world of tight deadlines"

Customers who want to either change the delivery address or halt delivery of a package that has been shipped but not yet been delivered can do so using Atlanta-based UPS' web site or over the phone around the clock. Kuehn cited the example of one UPS user who shipped double orders to a customer during the test phase and was able to intercept one order, avoiding the embarrassment of having both orders delivered. "Also, if you send out a business presentation and realize you have the wrong figures in there, you can intercept it before it gets to your client," he added. ... Kuehn said the service is unique and claimed UPS will gain a competitive advantage in the package delivery market because of the degree of control it will give customers over their packages while in UPS' network.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,261200,00.html

HonestReporting.com - Download Short Info Films - Can the media be so eager for news that they report stories that are not true? Absolutely! (Downloads - .swf files)

Israel is in the midst of a battle for public opinion - waged primarily via the media. To ensure Israel is represented fairly and accurately "'HonestReporting'" monitors the media, exposes cases of bias, promotes balance, and effects change through education and action. ... Why is the struggle for media fairness so important? The media sways public opinion, which directly affects foreign policy towards Israel and in turn the lives of her citizens. One person alone may not impact this struggle, but thousands united can!

http://www.honestreporting.com/a/film_download.asp

What is the Mark of the Beast 666 - There are at least three aspects to the Mark of the Beast as explained in the book of Revelation

There are at least three aspects to the Mark of the Beast as explained in the book of Revelation. It is an actual mark or marking and it is also an Image (Icon) a representation of the Antichrist (Satan) himself and it is represented in his personal name of, emptiness, which is referenced by the number 666.

http://www.basicchristian.org/mark beast 666.html

Christians Say National ID Number Is the 'Mark of the Beast' - Several Christian evangelical groups say the national ID numbers mandated by Congress represent the Bible's "mark of the beast" - the number 666 associated with the godless

Several Christian evangelical groups say the national ID numbers mandated by Congress represent the Bible's "mark of the beast" - the number 666 associated with the godless. The federal Real ID Act will standardize state drivers licenses and link them to corresponding national ID numbers by 2009, and the ID cards will be required to board an airplane or enter a federal building. But the Christian groups fear that persons assigned a national ID number will be "marked" as prophesied in the Bible's book of Revelation. Their concern is that the number-based ID system will eventually spread throughout the world and be used by a global dictator - the antichrist - who will control international trade with the ID numbers, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch reports.

http://news.newsmax.com/?bWamjK0jAdO4g7E91qkMZDQK6xb

Hagel: Some See Impeachment as Option - he made clear that some lawmakers viewed that as an option should Bush choose to push ahead despite public sentiment against the war - "We have

clearly a situation where the president has lost the confidence of the American people in his war effort"

"Any president who says, I don't care, or I will not respond to what the people of this country are saying about Iraq or anything else, or I don't care what the Congress does, I am going to proceed - if a president really believes that, then there are - what I was pointing out, there are ways to deal with that," said Hagel, who is considering a 2008 presidential run. The Senate planned to begin debate Monday on a war spending bill that would set a nonbinding goal of March 31, 2008, for the removal of combat troops. ... "We have clearly a situation where the president has lost the confidence of the American people in his war effort," Hagel said. "It is now time, going into the fifth year of that effort, for the Congress to step forward and be part of setting some boundaries and some conditions as to our involvement." "This is not a monarchy," he added, referring to the possibility that some lawmakers may seek impeachment. "There are ways to deal with it. And I would hope the president understands that."

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/articles/2007/3/25/150858.shtml

le party with the American people. We have all heard enough Republican lies. The party leaders now have to actually do something and accomplish something positive like real Pro-Life achievements and supporting, defending and backing Israel. Words, speeches and petty donations are not even close to being enough.}">Republican hopefuls stay mum on Bush - the annual conference of the American Conservative Union, which drew 6,300 participants, Bush was the man who was not there - Not only did he not speak to the convention, he was barely mentioned when those vying to succeed him addressed the conservative cadres {The Republican Party is no longer a credible party with the American people. We have all heard enough Republican lies. The party leaders now have to actually do something and accomplish something positive like real Pro-Life achievements and supporting, defending and backing Israel. Words, speeches and petty donations are not even close to being enough.}

WASHINGTON - The Republican presidential candidates are giving President Bush the silent treatment. ... As one candidate after another addressed the annual conference of the American Conservative Union, which drew 6,300 participants, Bush was the man who was not there. Not only did he not speak to the convention, he was barely mentioned when those vying to succeed him addressed the conservative cadres. ... Listing the issues that consistently come up as voter concerns in his surveys - the war, healthcare, education, the economy and rising gasoline prices - he added, "What they need to say is, 'I'm going to lead you out of this.' They're going to have to do that, but they're not doing it now."

http://www.latimes.com/news/politics/la-na-bushgop25mar25,1,4465831.story?coll=la-headlines-politics

UN Secretary General Won't Meet PA's Hamas Leadership - Among other pressing issues, the two discussed the efforts to obtain the release of kidnapped IDF soldiers Gilad Shalit, Eldad Regev and Ehud Goldwasser - Shalit is being held by the Islamist Hamas faction of the PA government, and Regev and Goldwasser are being held by the Lebanese Hizbullah terrorist organization {Bush can and should be blamed for this ongoing mess. Bush stopped the war early and has done little or nothing to gain their release. The untrustworthy Bush has however largely financed and armed these terrorist organizations and is preparing them for their next bloody war against Israel.}

United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon arrived in Israel on Saturday for a three-day official visit, which will include meetings with Israeli and Palestinian Authority leaders. ... Ki-Moon is scheduled to meet with PA chairman Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen) and other PA leaders in Ramallah on Sunday. However, during a press conference in Cairo on Saturday, the Secretary General announced that he would not meet with PA Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh. Addressing reporters following a meeting with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Ki-Moon said that he expects the new PA unity government to "live up to the expectations of the international community, for the sake of regional peace and security."

http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/121941

American newcomers find their place in the IDF - Battalion 50 has one of the highest concentrations of lone soldiers who came to Israel from abroad to serve in the IDF - over 70 - hailing mostly from the United States, but also from Holland and other European countries

They all fought in the Second Lebanon War and have since conducted patrols along Israel's northern border. Last week, close to nine months after the war against Hizbullah ended and with talk of a possible new conflict by summertime, the soldiers of Battalion 50 of the Nahal Brigade took to the hills of the Golan Heights for five weeks of training, which commander Lt.-Col. Zion Razon says will prepare them for the challenges to come. Battalion 50 is just like most of the other infantry units in the IDF. During the war, its soldiers fought with the rest of the Nahal Brigade in the central sector of southern Lebanon. The battalion lost one soldier on July 12, the first day of the war and the same day reservists Eldad Regev and Ehud Goldwasser were kidnapped.

http://www.jpost.com/servlet/Satellite?cid=1173879164734&pagename=JPost%2FJPArticle%2FShowFull

VOLUME 2 -- Secret Mysteries of America's Beginnings: Riddles in Stone - Secret Architecture of Washington, D.C. - Does this occult "wisdom" represent the interests of America, or a hidden agenda? (DVD \$29.99)

"Riddles In Stone: Secret Architecture of Washington, D.C.", will continue to explore the fascinating history behind the origins and focus of the world's most powerful nation: America. Why was this nation founded? How was the precise location of Washington, D.C., determined? What is the meaning of the seemingly countless occult images in our nation's capitol? Volume II zeroes in on the Masonic & Rosicrucian influence so prevalent amongst our Founding Fathers as they planned, and began to implement, the layout of America's Capitol. For years, extreme controversy has abounded as to the exact meaning of the occult symbols found within the street layout, the buildings, and the monuments of Washington, D.C. ... Why did our Masonic Founding Fathers perform "Corn, Wine, and Oil" ceremonies at cornerstone layings and at the dedication of the finished structure? ... Does this occult "wisdom" represent the interests of America, or a hidden agenda? As with Volume I, this "Secret Mysteries" series will continue to explore current -- and possibly future -- events by examining America's past. What can these realities mean for the unfolding destiny of America and the world? Now you will know that, when President Bush said he was fulfilling the "Ancient Hope" of the "New Order of the Ages" (as we show in Volume I), he was merely acting out the plan reflected in the street layout and in the architecture of Washington, D.C. 3 hour video (DVD).

http://cuttingedge.org/detail.cfm?ID=1319

Time for God - Drawing on polls that show over 60% of Americans favor teaching about Scripture in a secular setting like public schools, writer David van Beima discusses the consequences of our nation's Biblical illiteracy - Among them, he notes the lack of knowledge and understanding about Western civilization at large

The movement to bring the world's best-selling book back into the classroom is gaining ground across the U.S., demonstrated, in large part, by a thoughtful Time magazine cover story on the subject. The article, "The Case for Teaching the Bible," argues that the social and cultural benefits of secular Bible classes outweigh any hypersensitivity about Church and State. Drawing on polls that show over 60% of Americans favor teaching about Scripture in a secular setting like public schools, writer David van Beima discusses the consequences of our nation's Biblical illiteracy. Among them, he notes the lack of knowledge and understanding about Western civilization at large. Van Beima writes, "[In the end], what is required in teaching the Bible in our public schools is patriotism: a belief that we live in a nation that understands the wisdom of its Constitution clearly enough to allow the most important book in its history to remain vibrantly accessible for everyone." What was lost in the sweeping 1963 Supreme Court case that removed prayer from public schools is the reality that the Constitution does not bar an objective treatment of the Bible and religion in schools. It encourages it. Yet the case triggered a mass exodus of any reference to Christianity in education. The time has come for our nation to experience a true revelation on the Bible's relevance--not only to our personal lives but to our identity as Americans.

http://www.frc.org/get.cfm?i=WU07C15

Perens continues to fight the good fight - continuing his campaign against Novell which he began after the company signed a deal with Microsoft last year

Every year, Novell holds its annual tradeshow, which it calls Brainshare, in Salt Lake City, Utah. This year, the company has had a much smaller, but possibly more raucuous, companion, across the street. Free software advocate Bruce Perens, one of the two people who founded the open source initiative to bridge the gap between free software and the business community, was out there, continuing his campaign against Novell which he began after the company signed a deal with Microsoft last year.

http://www.itwire.com.au/content/view/10681/1090/

Novell apologizes for false free software funding claim - after it was pointed out that his claim that Novell is "a significant financial contributor to the Free Software Foundation" was incorrect - "Novell last gave funds to the FSF in October 2005, when they donated \$5K as part of FSF Corporate Patron program

In his apology Steinman stated that he believed his original statement to be true at the time he made it, but nevertheless apologized for misrepresenting the facts. "Further research inside Novell confirms that Peter Brown is correct and I spoke in error. I want to make it clear that I had no intention of making false claims or providing misinformation to the market," he wrote. "I want to apologize to the Free Software Foundation and to the open source community for making this misrepresentation. I should have double-checked the accuracy of my information before speaking, and for that, I offer no excuse." The apology comes at a time when Novell's standing in the open source community is at best precarious. It has been openly criticized for entering into a patent agreement with Microsoft Corp in November 2006 that Microsoft's CEO, Steve Ballmer, has used to suggest that Linux infringes Microsoft's intellectual property.

http://www.cbronline.com/article_news.asp?guid=DFD1A947-76D2-4791-BC6A-E31CB53F5EEB

Gonzales And His "I Did Not Have Sex With That Woman" Moment - Either he misled us all, via live television a la former President Clinton, when he told us two weeks ago that he wasn't involved in these sorts of conversations, Or he wasn't sharp enough to remember his presence and role at this meeting and comprehend the notion that, eventually, this information would tumble into the public

realm

Either way, this latest embarrassing episode alone (never mind all the other reasons) disqualifies Gonzales to serve as the nation's top lawyer and its chief law enforcement official. Either way, it undercuts a core premise of the defense the Justice Department and the White House had tried so hard this past week to sell us: the Attorney General is a good guy who was shocked-- shocked!-- to find his subordinates playing fast and loose with well-established (if unwritten) rules about the political dismissal of U.S. Attorneys. It's no wonder that there are now two separate investigations underway at the Justice Department to determine the scope of the wrongdoing.

http://blog.washingtonpost.com/benchconference/2007/03/post_21.html

Dueling Fools: Microsoft Bear - Any investor looking for long-term growth should look elsewhere - it's worthwhile to note that it (Microsoft) makes money on only three of its seven product lines

When it comes to the long haul, Microsoft's (Nasdaq: MSFT) wheels are spinning. Any investor looking for long-term growth should look elsewhere. Technology's changing swiftly, and Microsoft's a massive behemoth that has historically had a hard time moving quickly enough to keep up. Its operating-system business is definitely in the uptrend of the cycle now, which should bode well for the next couple years. But for the true long term, I'm thinking that an investment here might be the equivalent of stuffing cash under your mattress. ... Information is slowly but surely moving off the desktop. People can argue about whether Google (Nasdaq: GOOG) is a bargain or terribly overvalued, but one thing's for sure -- it's helping to bring us closer to the time when most of what we do on our computers happens on, and is stored on, the Internet. As that transition continues, operating systems will become less and less significant. Soon, it won't matter whether one uses a PC, one of Apple's (Nasdaq: AAPL) Macs, or even the Linux OS. Microsoft's competitive advantage in operating systems has faded compared with a decade ago, given increasing compatibility.

http://www.fool.com/investing/value/2007/03/22/dueling-fools-microsoft-bear.aspx

Bush names Education Department headquarters after LBJ - Lawmakers were eager to move the bill quickly so that the former first lady would know that the Department of Education headquarters, near Capitol Hill, will be known as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Federal Building

WASHINGTON - Lyndon Baines Johnson's daughters, Lynda Robb and Luci Baines Johnson, returned to the Oval Office on Friday for a bill-signing that named the Education Department headquarters building after their father, the 36th president. It was a Texas reunion for the Johnson daughters and their families and President Bush and first lady Laura Bush. "We're all children of the Oval Office," Bush said, according to Rep. Gene Green, D-Texas, who sponsored the legislation. ... Lawmakers were eager to move the bill quickly so that the former first lady would know that the Department of Education headquarters, near Capitol Hill, will be known as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Federal Building. ... The bill was stalled for several Congresses by former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, who objected to the "big government" that Johnson represented.

http://www.fortwayne.com/mld/newssentinel/news/editorial/16963071.htm

Documents Show Gonzales Approved Plans to Fire Several U.S. Attorneys - Gonzales signed off on the plan, which was crafted by his chief of staff, Kyle Sampson

WASHINGTON - Attorney General Alberto Gonzales approved plans to fire several U.S. attorneys in a November meeting, according to documents released Friday that contradict earlier claims that he was not closely involved in the dismissals. ... focused on a five-step plan for carrying out the firings of the prosecutors, Justice Department officials said late Friday. There, Gonzales signed off on the plan, which was crafted by his chief of staff, Kyle Sampson. Sampson resigned last week in the wake of the political firestorm surrounding the firings.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,260801,00.html

Some background on Kyle Sampson - Gonzales Staffer Was "Ready Replacement" for Karl Rove - Kyle is from Utah - He also served a 2 year (Mormon) LDS mission to Minnesota Minneapolis around 1998-1991

Some background on Kyle Sampson, the now former chief of staff to Alberto Gonzales whom you'd never heard of before today. ... From the NYT: "...He arrived in Washington in 1999, around his 30th birthday, with impeccable credentials - at least for a man his age - among religious conservatives. A native of Utah and a Mormon, he had completed his undergraduate studies at Brigham Young University. Mr. Sampson then followed the lead of Dallin H. Oaks, the former president of Brigham Young, by attending the University of Chicago for law school, another bastion of conservatism..." Kyle is from Utah... He was edged out of the US Attorney job in Utah by Brett Tolman. Tolman was the guy that put the Patriot language in the conference report. ... He also served a 2 year LDS mission to Minnesota Minneapolis around 1998-1991.

http://www.tpmmuckraker.com/archives/002748.php

Bush Official Admits Guilt In Abramoff Scandal - Griles vehemently denied any ties to Abramoff and told senate investigators that it was "outrageous" and "not true" that the disgraced lobbyist had any special access to him or his department - He now admits he lied and that Abramoff did in fact have special access to him {Abramoff is who lobbied for Indian casino gambling and tries to outlaw internet gambling (their competition) while protecting and promoting casino gambling.}

The highest-ranking Bush Administration official to be criminally investigated in the Jack Abramoff corruption scandal finally admits that he obstructed justice by concealing his unique relationship with the convicted lobbyist and repeatedly lying about it to senate investigators. ... The senate committee launched the investigation amid reports that wealthy Indian casino operators paid Abramoff tens of millions of dollars to influence Congressional and Interior Department decisions that would affect them. Abramoff lured his clients by assuring them that he had serious connections at the Interior Department and a close relationship with a high-ranking official. In a desperate effort to hamper the senate committee's investigation that criminally implicated him, Griles vehemently denied any ties to Abramoff and told senate investigators that it was "outrageous" and "not true" that the disgraced lobbyist had any special access to him or his department. He now admits he lied and that Abramoff did in fact have special access to him.

http://www.corruptionchronicles.com/2007/03/bush_official_admits_guilt_in.html

Romney endorsed by Christian Coalition officer Drew McKissick - Gitcho and McKissick said there was no link between the endorsement and the paid campaign job - Romney's political action committee donated \$5,000 to McKissick's SC for Marriage group {George Soros and his liberal pals donate millions of dollars to their causes, while Mitt Romney also one of the world's richest men donates nickels to conservative causes. I think you could say that Romney is not really dedicated to conservative causes like Soros is to liberal causes and that Romney is just buying window dressing.}

The campaign declined to say how much McKissick would be paid. Last year, Romney's political action committee donated \$5,000 to McKissick's SC for Marriage group, which pushed a state constitutional amendment that prevents any type of legal recognition of same-sex unions. While the group solicited cash from other presidential hopefuls, Romney was the only one to write a check, McKissick said.

http://www.signonsandiego.com/news/politics/20070322-1532-onthe2008trail.html

{Flashback} Mitt Romney Buys the Right - If Romney secures the Republican nomination, he will confirm Will Rogers' words of wisdom, "A fool and his money are soon elected" {If Romney wins anything, it's not even winning, it's not even winning ugly, it's just dirty backroom political bribes and tricks.}

As I reported in the Nation last November, Lopez was given a private reception by Romney last October. The visit yielded a fawning blog post and a softball interview in which NR editors acknowledged that KLo "has some pro-Romney tendencies." What the National Review failed to acknowledge was that Romney donated \$10,000 to its in-house think tank, the National Review Institute, right before declaring his presidential candidacy. As David Kirpatrick of the Times reported yesterday, NR is not the only right-wing group awash in Romney's riches. The Federalist Society, a right-wing legal cabal that hosted, Romney as a speaker at its 2005 convention, has been granted \$35,000 by the ex-governor over the past two years. Romney's relationship with the Massachusetts Family Institute is more telling. The Family Institute, a local affiliate of James Dobson's Focus on the Family, was one of Romney's most aggressive critics during his term as governor. But in 2006, after Romney donated \$10,000 to the group, it changed its tune. ... Romney's fortunes have continued to flood the conservative grassroots since he declared his candidacy. Many observers of the recent conservative movement gathering, CPAC, were suprised that Romney defeated other, more conservative Republican presidential contenders in the event's straw poll. Yet his victory was assured from the beginning: Romney paid droves of student "volunteers" to attend CPAC, purchasing their plane tickets and hotel fare in exchange for their votes.

http://news.yahoo.com/s/thenation/20070312/cm_thenation/45174210

Democratic Party: DNC: Three Days, Three Scandals, One Bottom Line: Romney Not Ready for Prime Time - #3 The Politico revealed that three leaders of his "Lawyers for Romney" fundraising arm worked for scandal-plagued Attorney General Alberto Gonzales when he was White House counsel {Mitt Romney is too much of a Washington insider - we need change and responsibility in Government not more of what the Mitt Romney's have to offer.}

Today, The Politico revealed that three leaders of his "Lawyers for Romney" fundraising arm worked for scandal-plagued Attorney General Alberto Gonzales when he was White House counsel, including one who has been directly linked to emails concerning Karl Rove's involvement in the politically-motivated firing of eight U.S. Attorneys. ... The news comes barely a week after Romney backed Gonzales on Larry King Live, saying it was too soon to determine whether he should be fired, which raises the question of whether this explains Romney's support for Gonzales, and whether these three former White House lawyers were vetted to see if they played any role in the Attorneys' firings.

http://www.allamericanpatriots.com/m-news+article+storyid-21638.html

The Mitt Romney Challenge to Debate The Truth (YouTube 5:31) {Bravo!! This is an Excellent Presentation ... this person gets it ... issues matter, issues matter and issues matter. Let's start having some real candidate access about real motives and the real intentions of America's 2008

Presidential candidates.}

Certainly all of you are tired of the back and forth truths being exposed and disclosed by my videos and the Romney Camp. I too wish to have clarity in this area.. so here it is: Governor If you have nothing to HIde then lets meet and show the youtube world the truth, full disclosure on your beliefs and mine and I am willing to give in to you if you could possibly prove me wrong on your bizarre absolutely incredulous beliefs that are racist and unfounded. I accept anytime anywhere.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s0fR6s 29Gg

Gap in Justice, White House e-mails raises questions - A 16-day gap in e-mail records between the Justice Department and the White House concerning the firing of U.S. attorneys last year has attracted the attention of congressional investigators

WASHINGTON (CNN) -- A 16-day gap in e-mail records between the Justice Department and the White House concerning the firing of U.S. attorneys last year has attracted the attention of congressional investigators. In an investigation into whether seven U.S. attorneys were fired for political rather than professional reasons, the Justice Department on Monday handed over 3,000 pages of documents to the House and Senate Judiciary committees. But the documents included no correspondence about the firings in the critical time period between November 15, 2006, and December 2, 2006, right before the attorneys were asked for their resignations.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/POLITICS/03/21/attorneys.email.gap/index.html

Bush Used Press Confrence to Force PR Buzzwords into the Debate - THE PRESIDENT (Bush): Earlier today, my staff met with congressional leaders about the "resignations" of U.S. attorneys - however, that "firing" has and continues to be the keyword used to describe what the Bush administration did to their Federal Attorneys

In a scripted moment of imperial bravado, President Bush held a press conference yesterday to address the scandal over his Attorney General having lied to Congress. Why this sudden move? In a word: framing. ... In the very first sentence of his press conference, President Bush said the following: THE PRESIDENT: Earlier today, my staff met with congressional leaders about the resignations of U.S. attorneys. Since the key to framing a debate is naming the subject being discussed, the top priority of the White House, yesterday, was to redirect the whole discussion of Attorney General Gonzales with one, big word: resignations. President Bush repeated "resignation" 4 conspicuous times in his 12-minute appearance, yesterday, including the coveted opening line of the entire event. So important is this word to the White House that they even used it in the title they gave the press conference on their website ("President Bush Addresses Resignations of U.S. Attorneys"). A simple Google search reveals, however, that "firing" has and continues to be the keyword used to describe what the Bush administration did to their Federal Attorneys. By attempting to swap the word "firing" for the word "resignation," President Bush is trying to force the debate onto more neutral grounds.

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/jeffrey-feldman/the-5-words-bush-wants-am b 43935.html

Tom DeLay Nomination Prompts American Conservative Union (ACU) Protest - Four members of the American Conservative Union's board resigned in protest over the nomination of former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay to the board - [they] refuse to let the Texas Republican off the hook for the massive increases in government spending that took place during his tenure as majority leader

Four members of the American Conservative Union's board resigned in protest over the nomination of former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay to the board. ... But some members of the ACU - one of America's most prominent conservative groups - refuse to let the Texas Republican off the hook for the massive increases in government spending that took place during his tenure as majority leader. "He carried the water for some of the biggest government expansions in the history of the republic," political strategist Marc Rotterman, one of the four board members who resigned after DeLay was nominated in December, told the publication Roll Call. "We looked at Tom DeLay to stop those kinds of bills, not to promote them. He was complicit." ... Rotterman singled out the No Child Left Behind Act, the Medicare prescription drug program and the surge in federal earmarks as big-spending measures that passed during DeLay's tenure. Conservative Rep. Jeff Flake of Arizona described DeLay's leadership as concentrating on redistricting, fund raising, and the distribution of pork, according to columnist Robert Novak, who first disclosed the resignations.

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/ic/2007/3/21/114008.shtml

Listen, who did President Bush invite first to the White House but Ted Kennedy? Who did George Bush Sr. give his third annual award for distinguished service? To Ted Kennedy. And who did President Bush rename the Justice Department? The Robert F. Kennedy Justice Department. So it's really not a partisan issue {The Republicans have been more supporting, forwarding and advancing of individual Democrats and the Democrat agenda than even the Democrats themselves have been. Bush has needlessly, through his neglect and misuse has put the Republican Party into severe disarray, disarray that could possibly even end the Republican Party's viability as a National party.}

MATTHEWS: Let me ask you about the Kennedy family. First of all, the word Camelot is in fact a post-Dallas term. No one ever called the new frontier Camelot when Kennedy was there. Who first started it? It was Jackie in her interview with Ted White for "LIFE" magazine that created the whole notion of Camelot. Do you think it was just a myth? LAURENCE LEAMER, AUTHOR, "SONS OF CAMELOT": Well, White didn't know what to do that weekend, because he thought it was over the top. But here was the president's widow the weekend after. And he went with it and it created an enormous impact in "LIFE" magazine. Yes, but I think, finally, after all these years, we've come to terms with the Kennedys, the good and the bad. Listen, who did President Bush invite first to the White House but Ted Kennedy? Who did George Bush Sr. give his third annual award for distinguished service? To Ted Kennedy. And who did President Bush rename the Justice Department? The Robert F. Kennedy Justice Department. So it's really not a partisan issue. We know that these are patriots who care for their country. MATTHEWS: In fact, Ronald Reagan, to name another Republican, he gave the Freedom Medal to Robert Kennedy soon after he came in. And Jimmy Carter had been holding that up. But I guess question is, what role do they play? Are they out of power or in power? Would you say the Kennedys are still influential with regard to national policy?

http://peacecorpsonline.org/messages/messages/467/2021717.html

Bush Aides Facing Subpoenas Over Firings - Watch John Jessup's report and Pat Robertson's comments about why Americans yearning for statesmanship (Video) (It's obvious that the Republicans are Bush League (or more likely just too liberal and inept) when it comes to politics. They kissed the toes of every Democrat like (Sandy) Samuel R. Berger instead of following the law when they had the chance to and now of course the Democrats are going to fight for real. The Lazy Republicans sat out their responsibilities, sat out their elected terms and the 2006 elections and now they want favors from the Democrats well don't count on it.)

CBNNews.com - The showdown has been simmering for days. Members of Congress want to know whether the dismissals of eight U.S. attorneys was part of a politically-charged plan hatched by the White House. ... A House committee is expected to authorize subpoenas as early as today to investigate the firings. Their targets? Karl Rove and other administration officials, including former White House counsel Harriet Miers who is believed to be part of a campaign to oust U.S. prosecutors who were not on the same page with the administration. The move comes after President Bush offered to let key officials be interviewed privately. Under his proposal, they would not be under oath during a one-time only session without any recorded transcripts.

http://www.cbn.com/cbnnews/123385.aspx

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http://www.seagate.com/www/en-us/products/consumer_electronics/DAVE/

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http://www.bluonyx.com/bluonyx.cfm

Today's Devotional: "You Will be Scattered, Each to his Own Home, and Will Leave Me Alone" John 16:32

Few had fellowship with the sorrows of Gethsemane. The majority of the disciples were not sufficiently advanced in grace to be admitted to behold the mysteries of the agony. Occupied with the Passover feast at their own houses, they represent the many who live upon the letter but are mere babes as to the spirit of the Gospel. To twelve, no, to only eleven the privilege was given to enter Gethsemane and see "this great sight." Out of the eleven, eight were left at a distance; they had fellowship, but not of that intimate sort to which men greatly beloved are admitted. Only three highly favored ones could approach the veil of our Lord's mysterious sorrow. Within that veil even they must not intrude; they remain a stone's throw apart. He must tread the winepress alone, and of the people there must be none with Him. ... To some selected spirits it is given, for the good of others and to strengthen them for future, special, and tremendous conflict, to enter the inner circle and hear the pleadings of the suffering High Priest; they have fellowship with Him in His sufferings, becoming like Him in His death. Yet even these cannot penetrate the secret places of the Savior's woe. "Thine unknown sufferings" is the remarkable expression of the Greek liturgy: There was an inner chamber in our Master's grief, shut out from human knowledge and fellowship. There Jesus is "left alone." Here Jesus was more than ever an "unspeakable gift!" Is not Watts right when he sings-- And all the unknown joys He gives, Were bought with agonies unknown.

http://www.truthforlife.org/growth.php?date=03-21&version=morning

With each new crisis, Bush finds less political support from GOP - "I think Republicans are in a very awkward position of having to defend a number of indefensible acts," said GOP strategist Scott Reed - "It's causing them to move into the every-man-for-himself mode"

The Associated Press WASHINGTON - With every unfolding crisis, President Bush is finding fewer allies in his corner. Republicans are ever more nervous about the Iraq war, Attorney General Alberto Gonzales' problems, FBI abuses of the USA Patriot Act and the botched treatment of war wounded at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center. ... These have not been good days for the administration. The Senate voted 94-2 Tuesday to end Gonzales' authority to fill U.S. attorney vacancies without Senate confirmation. The House is to vote this week on a war spending bill that would effectively withdraw U.S. combat troops by fall 2008. Competing threats of presidential vetoes and congressional subpoenas fill the air. ... More and more, there's less Bush can do to reward Republicans for backing him - or punish those who don't. "Support for President Bush becomes less important the closer we get to the election," said Republican consultant Rich Galen. "I'm not sure he'll be totally irrelevant, but certainly there will be more time, attention and money spent on propping up and/or defending the emerging front-runner, and then the party nominee, than the outgoing president."

http://www.theolympian.com/101/story/71567.html

Rove will not tesitfy under oath {so far} on firings - Mr Bush said in a televised address. "I will oppose any attempts to subpoena White House officials" - The Senate judiciary committee is to vote to authorise subpoenas on Thursday

An influential Republican with close White House ties said the attorney-general's position was not safe. He said Fred Fielding, the White House counsel, had not lined up a replacement for the attorney-general, but that he "knows all the potential choices", he said. ... "It is sort of giving us the opportunity to talk to them, but not giving us the opportunity to get to the bottom of what really happened here," said Chuck Schumer, the New York senator. "In that way, it is a pretty clever proposal." The Senate judiciary committee is to vote to authorise subpoenas on Thursday. It is particularly interested in Mr Rove because his former aide was named to replace one of the prosecutors fired last year. ... Earlier on Tuesday, Democrats rejected a White House offer of making Mr Rove and Ms Miers available for private questioning by the Senate judiciary committee. "After telling a bunch of different stories about why they fired the US attorneys, the Bush administration is not entitled to the benefit of the doubt," said Harry Reid, the Senate majority leader. "If Karl Rove plans to tell the truth, he has nothing to fear from being under oath like any other witness." Mr Bush's language marks a serious deterioration in White House relations with the Hill after several months of both sides promising to create a climate of bipartisan co-operation. Few observers now believe that what little bipartisan rapport had been reached will be easy to retrieve.

http://www.ft.com/cms/s/675a4886-d715-11db-b9d7-000b5df10621.html

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http://www.cameratown.com/news/news.cfm/hurl/id%7C3707

CPAC 2007: The Unauthorized Documentary (YouTube-Video 7:18) {A Good Video it shows that the Republican Party has a lot of Soul searching to do before the next Presidential election in 08. It is also proof positive that Michelle Malkin is among the Very Best of talented, committed, trustworthy news commentators, if not the Best!}

The Nation's Max Blumenthal takes us on a revealing (and at times shocking) tour of the Conservative Political Action Conference. Featuring Ann Coulter, Michelle Malkin, Grover Norquist, Mitt Romney, Tom Tancredo, and many more.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ByLqJD36F7E

Mitt Romney and Ann Coulter CPAC 2007 Backstage right before she gave her speech (YouTube-Video 2:51) {This is just plain Bizarre! ... try to listen to all of the comments.}

Mitt Romney and Ann Coulter CPAC 2007 Backstage right before she gave her speech. I apologize that I had to delete msg'ing as comments were becoming equally offensive and I truly hope everyone understands.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7uvUunV3MZM

PAT ROBERTSON'S REGENT UNIVERSITY INVITES MORMON MITT ROMNEY! - they (Christians) will start wondering whether supporting the religious right leaders who have been taking them down this path for over 25 years was EVER the right thing to do - You know, whether it was EVER God's Will

See what people who are dancing with the mammon (money and power) demon are capable of. The Bush presidency and the Iraq War has been really harmful for the GOP and ESPECIALLY the religious right, and they know that if a Democrat gets into office (or worse, if a GOPer gets in without their at least PRETENDING to be kingmaker), then they will be to the GOP what, well, we blacks are to the Democratic Party! They will be out of power for good after having accomplished ABSOLUTELY NOTHING despite all those years of getting their parishioners to contribute money and volunteer for campaigns. And you know what will happen then? All of those parishioners who fill their suburban megachurches, send their kids to their colleges (LIKE REGENT UNIVERSITY, WHERE MORMON MITT ROMNEY IS GOING TO SPEAK!), and support their political and TV networks will start to wonder exactly why they spent all of their resources on trying to change laws through politics and the ballot box rather than trying to change hearts with the gospel, and then they will start wondering whether supporting the religious right leaders who have been taking them down this path for over 25 years was EVER the right thing to do. You know, whether it was EVER God's Will.

http://healtheland.wordpress.com/2007/03/08/pat-robertsons-regent-university-invites-mormon-mitt-romney/

Want Your Tax Dollars to Kill Human Embryos? - President Bush is the first president to federally fund human embryonic stem cell research {Embryonic stem cells are different from adult stem cells.}

Next week, the U.S. Senate will consider a bill to fund research that requires the killing of human embryos. Sponsored by Senators Harry Reid (D-Nev.) and Tom Harkin (D-lowa), S. 5 will federally fund research on human embryos that supposedly are "leftover" from in vitro fertilization. Instead of promoting the adoption of these human embryos, this bill would require their death. President Bush is the first president to federally fund human embryonic stem cell research. He decided that such research could be funded so long as the cells had been obtained from embryos on or prior to August 9, 2001, the date of his announcement. Since then, the government has funded research on over 22 stem cell lines based on these embryos. However, the President's policy does not encourage the further killing of human embryos.

http://www.frc.org/get.cfm?i=AL07C02

Rise of the Adulterers: GOP at Risk of Hostile Takeover by the Left - Are grassroots conservative Republicans really willing to abandon everything they ever believed in and every conservative principle they ever supported for the illusory hope of a soulless victory? - Giuliani, McCain, and Romney - have been either lifelong moderates or liberals and have been longtime opponents of conservatives on a host of issues

Following the GOP's electoral debacle in the November 2006 mid-term elections, conservatives remain in complete disarray. Perhaps in belated realization that they have been supporting a President for the past six years who does not now and never has shared their conservative principles, many have become disillusioned with the GOP. They have been discouraged due to repeated betrayals of conservative principles by Bush and other GOP leaders and are ambivalent as to whether they will vote for the GOP in the next election without major policy changes that address their concerns, including either a plan for winning the war in Iraq or getting out entirely. Others have lost their way and no longer seem to know what they believe or who they should support, causing conservative commentator Robert Novak to write a recent article entitled "The Conservative Void." ... Perhaps it is a measure of how liberal the Republican Party has become since the party was hijacked from conservatives by George W. Bush, that three of the top four GOP candidates in early primary polls - Giuliani, McCain, and Romney - have been either lifelong moderates or liberals and have been longtime opponents of conservatives on a host of issues.

http://www.intellectualconservative.com/2007/03/14/rise-of-the-adulterers-gop-at-risk-of-hostile-takeover-by-the-left/

Swift Boat group's backer joins Romney campaign - Perry has earned a reputation for his willingness to finance the political activities of "527 groups"

WASHINGTON -- The primary donor of an independent group that raised questions about Senator John F. Kerry during the 2004 presidential election has signed on to raise money for former Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney's GOP presidential campaign. Perry has earned a reputation for his willingness to finance the political activities of "527 groups," nonprofit organizations named after the federal tax code that applies to them. He gained notoriety for the \$4.5 million he donated to Swift Boat Veterans for Truth, a group of Vietnam War veterans who questioned Kerry's military credentials. ... In 2006, Perry was the largest political donor in Texas.

http://www.boston.com/news/nation/articles/2007/03/18/swift boat groups backer joins romney campaign/

Military.com - Opinion: The Deceit of the Right - Playing the Course - That's Homeland Security's job, and if Homeland Security can't keep terrorists from infiltrating our country, why does it even exist? {BTW "The Sunni organization al-Qaeda" are not the same thing 'Sunni' is a tribe-sect of Islam 'al-Queda' is an invented convenient scapegoat for George Bush, anything Bush wants to Boogieman becomes 'al-Queda', al-Queda is simply an Arabic term meaning 'the base'.}

Straying the Course: From the beginning, The (Bush) administration and its echo chamberlains have sold their woebegone war in Iraq with a fabric of glittering generalities, appeals to emotion, bandwagons, sand bagging, blame shifting, straw man attacks, faulty main assumptions, false analogies, and the rest of the propaganda arsenal. They coaxed us into this war by making visions of mushroom clouds dance in our heads, and they've been playing Rovewellian mind games with us ever since. Their most enduring trick has been the "fighting them over there so we don't have to fight them over here" mantra. In recent months "fighting them over there" has morphed into "If we withdraw, they will follow us here." Pish. How are they going to get here--hide in our troops' luggage? Swim? Wind surf? Jump? ... That's Homeland Security's job, and if Homeland Security can't keep terrorists from infiltrating our country, why does it even exist?

http://www.military.com/opinion/0,15202,129284,00.html?wh=wh

Claire's (Claire's Stores, which sells costume jewelry and accessories) agrees to \$3.1 billion private buyout - The deal makes Claire's the latest in a string of retailers snapped up by cash-rich

private-equity firms. Recent successful bids have targeted Dollar General Corp., Neiman-Marcus Group and Toys "R" Us

NEW YORK (MarketWatch) -- Claire's Stores Inc. said Tuesday that it has agreed to be acquired by an affiliate of private-equity firm Apollo Management for about \$3.1 billion. ... The deal makes Claire's the latest in a string of retailers snapped up by cash-rich private-equity firms. Recent successful bids have targeted Dollar General Corp., Neiman-Marcus Group and Toys "R" Us. ... "We believe that the increased flexibility available to a private company will enable Claire's to capitalize on the many opportunities before it, both here and abroad," said Peter Copses, a senior partner at Apollo. "We have a long track record of successful investment in the retail industry and are firmly committed to Claire's continued growth as a highly successful global specialty retailer."

http://www.marketwatch.com/news/story/claires-agrees-taken-private-31/story.aspx?guid=%7B80778B55%2D47F6%2D4D98%2DA381%2D9A7B575ABC16%7D

Emerging confrontation with 'citizen journalists' - How much do we really want the average person to contribute to the newsgathering process, to politics and to the culture itself? It depends on whom you ask - the vast collection of online opinions will profoundly influence on many areas of life

HOLLYWOOD (MarketWatch) -- How much do we really want the average person to contribute to the newsgathering process, to politics and to the culture itself? It depends on whom you ask."If we keep up this pace, there will be over five hundred million blogs by 2010, collectively corrupting and confusing popular opinion about everything from politics to commerce, to arts and culture," writes Andrew Keen, author of the recently published "The Cult of the Amateur: How the Democratization of the Digital World Is Assaulting Our Economy, Our Culture and Our Values." Keen, a moderator at the iHollywood Forum in Hollywood this week, is no doubt spot-on with his prediction that hundreds of millions of blogs, many written by rank amateurs, lie in our future. Consider that there were just 10,000 Web sites back in 1994. Today, it's estimated that there are more than 100 million. It's likely that Keen is similarly accurate in stating that the vast collection of online opinions will profoundly influence on many areas of life.

http://www.marketwatch.com/news/story/emerging-confrontation-citizen-journalist-brigade/story.aspx?guid=%7B4D7B51FA%2DBD3E%2D4610%2D898E%2DCECD00294B60%7D

The power of brands - As voice, television, Internet and wireless services converge, the question facing the players is: Who accrues the most value?

NAPA, Calif. (MarketWatch) -- As voice, television, Internet and wireless services converge, the question facing the players is: Who accrues the most value? Will it be the companies the content, such as Walt Disney, Google, Viacom or News Corp's MySpace? The device makers, such as Apple, Nokia, or Motorola? How about the network operators, such as cable companies, Comcast, Time Warner Cable, Sprint Nextel, Verizon? ... Few attending the retreat made any outright predictions regarding the question posed above, with the exception of Rich Wong, a venture capital partner at Accel Partners. He argued that content players would be the big winners, if market capitalization was the measure. He pointed to the \$140 billion market value of Google versus the paltry valuations of the Internet service providers which managed to survive.

http://www.marketwatch.com/news/story/networks-ponder-ties-web-20/story.aspx?guid=%7BE2886764%2D9 866%2D4BE9%2DB14D%2DE2A251A23584%7D

White House: Karl Rove, Harriet Miers Won't Testify Under Oath - The White House offered Tuesday

to make political strategist Karl Rove and former counsel Harriet Miers available for interviews - but not testimony under oath

WASHINGTON -- The White House offered Tuesday to make political strategist Karl Rove and former counsel Harriet Miers available for interviews - but not testimony under oath - by congressional committees investigating the firing of eight federal prosecutors. ... The White House move was announced after the Senate voted overwhelmingly to end the Bush administration's ability to unilaterally fill U.S. attorney vacancies. That had come as a backlash to Attorney General Alberto Gonzales' firing of the prosecutors.

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/articles/2007/3/20/150643.shtml

(Flashback) Supreme Court Nominee Harriet Miers Provided Misleading Information to Judiciary Committee

Miers gives wrong dates in questionnaire; Firm was sued during period omitted. President Bush's nominee to the Supreme Court, Harriet Miers, provided erroneous and incomplete information to the Senate Judiciary Committee about her membership on a Board of Directors for a real estate investment company, RAW STORY has learned.

http://rawstory.com/news/2005/Miers_misleads_Senate_Judicial_Committee_on_1020.html

(Flashback) Diocese: Harriet Miers Never Catholic - Acquaintances of Miers have said she worshipped as a Catholic

DALLAS -- The Roman Catholic diocese of Dallas is setting the record straight: Supreme Court nominee Harriet Miers has never been a Catholic. A review of records for such sacraments as baptism, first Eucharist and confirmation found no evidence that Miers or anyone in her immediate family was Catholic, Bronson Havard, a spokesman for the diocese, said Friday.

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/ic/2005/10/21/213013.shtml

{Flashback} Harriet Miers Objected to an Initial Draft of President Bush's 2001 Christmas Message as Being "too Christian"

Objected to an initial draft of President Bush's 2001 Christmas message as being "too Christian" and one that "might offend people of other faiths." The author, aide Ned Ryun, refused to change the message; and the assignment of writing the Christmas message was transferred to another staffer.

http://www.eagleforum.org/court_watch/alerts/2005/oct05/10-14-05.html

t dont matter.}">Mitt's Commie phrase sparks rage - Romney also garnered criticism for ... and ending the talk with the phrase "Libertad, Libertad, Libertad," a revolutionary saying made famous in the gangster movie "Scarface," which many Cubans feel plays on cultural stereotypes {If you think Mitt Romney had no reason to know the names of key-prominent GOP members think again. During the failed 2006 elections Romney was chairman of the Republican Governors Association.} {It's obvious that to Mormons facts just don't matter.}

Cubans in Miami are steaming mad at former Gov. Mitt Romney for shooting his mouth off in stumbling Spanish, mispronouncing names and erroneously associating a notorious Fidel Castro-spewed Communist catch phrase with freedom fighters. ... At another point in the speech to the Miami-Dade Republican Party, Romney bungled the names of prominent Cuban GOP politicians, referring to Florida House Speaker Marco Rubio as "Mario." Romney also garnered criticism for his hard-line stance on immigration and ending the talk with the phrase "Libertad, Libertad, Libertad," a revolutionary saying made famous in the gangster movie "Scarface," which many Cubans feel plays on cultural stereotypes.

http://news.bostonherald.com/politics/view.bg?articleid=189589

Mitt Romney Loses 2008 Florida Vote, in 2007 - he mistakenly associated Fidel Castro's trademark speech-ending slogan -- Patria o muerte, venceremos! -- with a free Cuba, listeners didn't laugh - They winced - What's next? "Heil Hitler!" in a room of Jews? {Repeat ... Mitt Romney is the 2008 version of Bob Dole - Romney is the unelectable candidate.}

People chuckled when presidential candidate Mitt Romney, a Mormon raised in Michigan and elected in Massachusetts, bungled the names of Cuban-American politicians during a recent speech in Miami. But when he mistakenly associated Fidel Castro's trademark speech-ending slogan -- Patria o muerte, venceremos! -- with a free Cuba, listeners didn't laugh. They winced. Castro has closed his speeches with the phrase -- in English, "Fatherland or death, we shall overcome" -- for decades. "Clearly, that's something he was ill-advised on or didn't do his homework on," said Hialeah City Council President Esteban Bovo. "When you get cute with slogans, you get yourself into a trap." ... I'm in complete agreement with Louis on this one. Romney has his foot in his mouth up to his knee. We can analyze whether it was poor preparation, an ignorant speech writer, too much time in Mass, or something else. In the end it doesn't really matter. It is just part of the pre-election parade of guayabera-wearing-cafecito-drinking-vivaCubalibre spouting politicos who come around every election eve on the arm of local power mongers looking for our votes. They don't really mean half of what they say, and there is no intent to follow through.

http://www.babalublog.com/archives/004867.html

Marine Commander Faces Politically Charged "Haditha" Prosecution; - Prior to the November 19, 2005 attacks, Marines had uncovered evidence that the Haditha area was a terrorist stronghold - Thomas More Law Center Joins Defense Team {Bush can step in anytime now and support and defend his own troops ... or is Bush just going to continue to be AWOL in his own war!}

The decision to launch a criminal investigation of the November 19 incident was made three months after its occurrence and as a result of a grossly erroneous and inflammatory Time Magazine news lead, which military commanders in the field suspected was instigated by terrorist propaganda. The suspicious nature of the process was reinforced when months before the investigation was completed, Congressman John Murtha, an outspoken anti-war critic and chairman of the House military appropriations subcommittee, publicly accused the four Marines of being "cold-blooded murderers" and high ranking officers of "covering it up." Murtha is the same person caught on tape negotiating bribes with Arab Sheiks during the FBI's 1980 Abscam investigation-he was an un-indicted coconspirator in that case. ... The gist of the charges against Chessani is that he failed to properly investigate and brief higher commanders on the November 19 incident. However, fellow Marines of all ranks have supported the fact that under the circumstances, Chessani had properly briefed his superiors concerning the incident, including the civilian deaths, within hours. According to news stories, higher echelons were even monitoring the action as it was taking place through radio traffic and remote controlled aircraft. Yet, none of these higher echelon commanders saw the need for further investigation.

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A man who is good enough to shed his blood for his country is good enough to be given a square deal afterwards. More than that no man is entitled, and less than that no man shall have." Theodore Roosevelt, 1903

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'Excavation Vacations' Attract Holy Land Diggers - "I didn't expect to find something like that, so it's very exciting," Krewson says - About 30,000 to 50,000 people pay to do the dig each year

JERUSALEM (AP) - Deep in a 2,000-year-old tunnel system outside Jerusalem, a young woman unearthed a rare oil lamp used in ancient rituals. Tourists pay \$25 to spend the day digging and sifting through the ruins. Their fees underwrite the more difficult parts of archaeological work: washing pottery shards, logging finds, and publishing papers in academic journals. For Abby Krewson, the discovery was especially gratifying: Krewson is a 10th-grader from Philadelphia participating in a "dig for a day" archaeological experience with her family and a Bible college group. "I didn't expect to find something like that, so it's very exciting," Krewson says. Tourists like Krewson pay \$25 to spend the day working in ancient tunnels at Israel's Beit Guvrin National Park, about 20 miles southwest of Jerusalem.

http://www.christianpost.com/article/20070319/26409 %27Excavation Vacations%27 Attract Holy Land Diggers.htm

Oregon Biology Teacher Fired Over Bible References - "Critical thinking is vital to scientific inquiry," said Helphinstine, who has a master's degree in science from Oregon State "My whole purpose was to give accurate information and to get them thinking" {So Oregon school officials trust that their teachers will not cause their students to think ... and America wonders why it is having trouble competing for jobs in the scientific world.}

SISTERS, Ore. - During his eight days as a part-time high school biology teacher, Kris Helphinstine included Biblical references in material he provided to students and gave a PowerPoint presentation that made links between evolution, Nazi Germany and Planned Parenthood. That was enough for the Sisters School Board, which fired the teacher Monday night for deviating from the curriculum on the theory of evolution. "I think his performance was not just a little bit over the line," board member Jeff Smith said. "It was a severe contradiction of what we trust teachers to do in our classrooms." Helphinstine, 27, said in a phone interview with The Bulletin newspaper of Bend that he included the supplemental material to teach students about bias in sources, and his only agenda was to teach critical thinking.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,259844,00.html

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The Three Stages of Discipleship - Christians are designed to grow - Whenever a Christian is stagnant, something is drastically wrong

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http://www.foundationsforfreedom.net/Topics/Disciple/Flow Discipleship.html

CuttingEdge.org Newsletter: News reports seem to be telling us that President Bush is once again engaged in deceptive tactics in dealing with the American public - Months ago, he told us all that he needed to "surge" 21,500 more troops into the Battle For Baghdad - Now, he and/or his officials keep asking for more troops incrementally - One news report indicates that the President may be secretly aiming for a total of 50,000 more troops!

Did you catch this revelation? General Pretraeus is asking for up to 3,000 more troops, in addition to the more than 26,000 troops already on the way to Iraq! President Bush initially told Congress and the American people that he needed 21,500 additional troops. Already, that number has increased by 4,500, with General Petraeus asking for 3,000 more. But, now this next article informs us that the real number of troop increase might be 50,000! NEWS BRIEF: "US military has told Bush that to "retake" Baghdad" will require 50,000 more troops", TBR News.org, March 12, 2007 ""We are rapidly approaching a major confrontation here yet very few people are aware of it. The military has told Bush that to 'retake Baghdad' i.e., kick out the insurgents and, most important, secure the city against a return, the U.S. will need ca 50,000 new troops!"

http://www.cuttingedge.org/newsletters/031707.html

{Flashback} Nearly 800 civilian contractors killed in Iraq - The U.S. has outsourced so many war and reconstruction duties that there are almost as many contractors (120,000) as U.S. troops (135,000) in the war zone

In a largely invisible cost of the war in Iraq, nearly 800 civilians working under contract to the Pentagon have been killed and more than 3,300 hurt doing jobs normally handled by the U.S. military, according to figures gathered by The Associated Press. Exactly how many of these employees doing the Pentagon's work are Americans is uncertain. But the casualty figures make it clear that the Defense Department's count of more than 3,100 U.S. military dead does not tell the whole story. "It's another unseen expense of the war," said Thomas Houle, a retired Air Force reservist whose brother-in-law died while driving a truck in Iraq. "It's almost disrespectful that it doesn't get the kind of publicity or respect that a soldier would."

http://www.chron.com/disp/story.mpl/front/4577165.html

Gonzales has lost credibility, should resign -- or be fired - The Bush administration has been tossing expendable officials overboard at an accelerating pace as scandals continue to erupt

The Bush administration has been tossing expendable officials overboard at an accelerating pace as scandals continue to erupt. The process began with the abuses at the Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq, with low-level "fall guys" taking the heat while higher-ups claimed ignorance. Late last year, with the war in Iraq going increasingly badly, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld was kicked off the boat. Then, Lewis "Scooter" Libby, the chief of staff to the vice president, was hung out to dry, sacrificed in a trial that hinted at the involvement of higher-ups. That was quickly followed by the scandal at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, which has consumed several generals. The latest is the Army's top medical officer -- the surgeon general -- who earlier this week "asked" to retire. Meanwhile, the FBI was revealed to have misused provisions of the Patriot Act to obtain personal information on hundreds of American citizens, just as critics of the act had warned. And although no has been sacked -- yet -- FBI Director Robert Mueller "took responsibility." ... And then Tuesday, the chief of staff to Attorney General Alberto Gonzales resigned to deflect growing heat on Gonzales, who is trying to deflect heat from the president, over the clumsy, politically motivated firings of eight U.S. attorneys.

http://www.pensacolanewsjournal.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070315/OPINION/703150301/1020

GOP misgivings with Gonzales boil over - Rohrabacher criticized the (Bush) administration for its "pattern of arrogance" and the "ruthless prosecution" of former Border Patrol agents Ignacio Ramos and Jose Compean

The latest example is Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (R-Calif.). The lawmaker has strongly criticized Gonzales in the case of two Border Patrol agents, who are serving long prison sentences for an incident that resulted in the shooting of a suspected Mexican drug smuggler. Rohrabacher criticized the (Bush) administration for its "pattern of arrogance" and the "ruthless prosecution" of former Border Patrol agents Ignacio Ramos and Jose Compean. Since taking office, the Bush administration's Justice Department has drawn the ire of Democrats and Republicans with expanding executive authority - often irking lawmakers in the process.

http://thehill.com/leading-the-news/gop-misgivings-with-gonzales-boil-over-2007-03-16.html

Will Gonzales Fall For Attorney Firings? - The fallout from the firings continues to grow in Washington, and sources tell CBS News that it looks like Attorney General Alberto Gonzales will take the fall - "Maybe the president should have an attorney general who is less a personal friend and more professional in his approach"

The White House is bracing for a weekend of criticism and more calls for Gonzales to go. One source tells CBS News he's never seen the administration in such deep denial, and Republicans are growing increasingly restless for the president to take action. ... "Even for Republicans, this is a warning sign ... saying there needs to be a change," said Rohrbacher. "Maybe the president should have an attorney general who is less a personal friend and more professional in his approach."

http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2007/03/16/politics/main2580260.shtml

Wal-Mart withdraws industrial banking push - FDIC says retailer 'made a wise choice' not to pursue application for limited banking operations - (Walmart) The world's largest retailer applied in July 2005 to establish an "industrial loan bank" or "industrial loan company" (ILC) in Utah

NEW YORK (CNNMoney.com) -- Wal-Mart Stores said Friday it will withdraw its controversial application for limited banking operations, after critics said the world's No. 1 retailer might use the bank as a stepping stone to offer a broader range of financial services. "Since the approval process is now likely to take years rather than months, we decided to withdraw our application to better focus on other ways to serve customers," Jane Thompson, president of Wal-Mart Financial Services, said in a statement. ... If Wal-Mart attracts all the deposits from small town banks, it could wipe out small businesses that depend on community banks for loans to support their operations," Narter said. "Where Wal-Mart excels is not in commercial lending. It's good at commercial processes like check cashing and money transfers." The withdrawal was greeted by federal regulators. "Wal-Mart made a wise choice. This decision will remove the controversy surrounding their intentions," FDIC Chairman Sheila C. Bair, said in a comment e-mailed to CNNMoney.com Friday.

http://money.cnn.com/2007/03/16/news/companies/walmart/index.htm?cnn=yes

{Flashback} Wal-Mart Partners With Gay and Lesbian Group - A Wal-Mart spokeswoman declined to comment on the trio of moves and would only confirm the company's partnership with the NGLCC - "This partnership shows Wal-Mart is changing"

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AdAge.com) -- In an unprecedented push, Wal-Mart Stores has hired a gay-marketing shop, joined the National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce and begun discussions with activist groups about extending domestic-partnership benefits to its employees. ... "This partnership shows Wal-Mart is changing," Mr. Wexler said. "It's worth noting they declined to publicize this partnership and left it up to the chamber. Wal-Mart is very eager to publicize partnerships. It's possible they fear a backlash from their conservative consumer base."

{Flashback} Wal-Mart Faces Boycott for "Banning" Christmas - Top retailer accused of discrimination while promoting Kwanzaa, Hanukkah

He points out, and WND confirmed, that when using the company's online search engine, if the world "Hanukkah" is entered, 200 items for sale are returned. The term "Kwanzaa" yields 77. But when "Christmas" is entered, the message returned says: "We've brought you to our 'Holiday' page based on your search."

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=47330

Doctors Group Laments Record Oregon Assisted Suicide Figures - A doctors group says it's dismayed by new figures from the Oregon health department showing the number of assisted suicides on the rise {Critical life decisions and legalized marijuana Not a good mix.}

Ottawa, Canada (LifeNews.com) -- A doctors group says it's dismayed by new figures from the Oregon health department showing the number of assisted suicides on the rise. The numbers also show that, in 2006, more patients died after killing themselves in assisted suicides than in any previous year since the state become the only one to allow the practice. According to the data, 46 Oregonians, most of them suffering from cancer, killed themselves after getting a prescription for a lethal amount of drugs from their physician. ... The group is disappointed that the Oregon Department of Human Services prepared a very brief report on assisted suicide compared with more comprehensive reporting in the past. It says the report "is amazingly brief and incomplete, and much of the past narrative-type information is not present in this year's report." For example, the doctors group says the new survey doesn't include information about the number of prescriptions written by doctors that prior reports contained. But when analyzing the information the report does contain, the physicians group is worried about the status of assisted suicide in Oregon. "Only two of the 46 patients dying from assisted suicide in 2006 were referred for psychiatric evaluation, yet depression is the most common cause of suicidal ideation," the group said. The organization was also worried about the lack of a true doctor-patient relationship.

http://www.lifenews.com/bio2027.html

t makes Mitt Romney appear anything but Pro-Choice, he seems to be a strong supporter for abortion. And what is the point here an aunt of his who had died during a botched abortion as though supposed legal abortions are in any way safe.}">Will the Real Mitt Romney Please Stand Up? - It's hard to know quite what to do with this suggestion that Romney was pro-life before he was pro-choice before he was pro-life - You have to wonder, though, if the Romney campaign got Dushku in touch with the [Washington] Post in the hope of planting the notion that Romney has actually always been pro-life {I don't see how this account makes Mitt Romney appear anything but Pro-Choice, he seems to be a strong supporter for abortion. And what is the point here an 'aunt of his who had died during a botched abortion' as though supposed legal abortions are in any way safe.}

Dr. Judith Dushku, a professor of government at Suffolk University. She tells of speaking with Romney (whom she knew from (LDS) church) after he announced he would run against Sen. Kennedy in 1994, and writes, "I congratulated him on taking a pro-choice position, one of the reasons I had been open to working with him. I remember his response was something like: "Well, this is Massachusetts. I realized I had to take this position," which was the first indication to me that what I had understood to be his personal view was a stance he was actually taking pragmatically. He went on that day to talk about an aunt of his who had died during a botched abortion and how he thought legalized abortion was important. But those around him, and people who knew him closely in the ward, knew that it was a position he had taken because he thought he had to in order to win." ... It's hard to know quite what to do with this suggestion that Romney was pro-life before he was pro-choice before he was pro-life. You have to wonder, though, if the Romney campaign got Dushku in touch with the Post (as they presumably did with the others who wrote) in the hope of planting the notion that Romney has actually always been pro-life.

http://corner.nationalreview.com/post/?q=MzAxZjUxMzUwNzdkZDk0MmJIM2QzMTI3ODYwODE3MmY=

By Dick Morris: Right Candidate Blocked by Romney, Gingrich - But neither McCain, as he fades, nor Romney, as he sputters, nor Gingrich, as he waits, are getting out of the way to let [new] right-wingers attract support {Mitt Romney is the 2008 version of Bob Dole - Romney is the unelectable candidate.}

Romney, who is panting after their support, is a political duck decoy, distracting onlookers from focusing their gaze on the real conservatives who might run. He can't win. He can't get nominated or even become the consensus candidate of the right wing. He's too Mormon (it shouldn't be an issue, but it is) and flip-flop-flipped from pro-life to pro-choice and back again. These problems, combined with his flip-flops on gay rights and stem cell research, make him incapable of becoming the right-wing candidate to oppose Giuliani. ... But neither McCain, as he fades, nor Romney, as he sputters, nor Gingrich, as he waits, are getting out of the way to let right-wingers attract support - These three well-known candidates are standing in the way, blocking one of the lesser-known candidates from emerging.

http://www.realclearpolitics.com/articles/2007/03/right_candidate_blocked_by_rom.html

EXCLUSIVE: E-Mails Show Karl Rove's Role in U.S. Attorney Firings - Unreleased Emails contradict White House Assertions That the Firings Originated With Harriet Miers

New unreleased e-mails from top administration officials show that the idea of firing all 93 U.S. attorneys was raised by White House adviser Karl Rove in early January 2005, indicating Rove was more involved in the plan than the White House previously acknowledged. The e-mails also show that Attorney General Alberto Gonzales discussed the idea of firing the attorneys en masse weeks before he was confirmed as attorney general. The e-mails directly contradict White House assertions that the notion originated with recently departed White House counsel Harriet Miers, and was her idea alone. ... What has made the issue a political firestorm is the White House's insistence that the idea came from Miers and was swiftly rejected. White House press secretary Tony Snow told reporters Tuesday that Miers had suggested firing all 93, and that it was "her idea only." Snow said Miers' idea was quickly rejected by the Department of Justice. The latest e-mails show that Gonzales and Rove were both involved in the discussion, and neither rejected it out of hand.

http://abcnews.go.com/Politics/story?id=2954988&page=1

KSM: The Ultimate Patsy "Confesses" - But since Khalid has squealed on the "A to Z" of 9/11,

perhaps he can provide some answers to a few troubling little questions that still have us 9/11 "conspiracy nuts" running around in circles - Was Khalid Shaikh Mohammed responsible for NORAD completely reversing its standard operating procedure on the day of 9/11? {And ... why was the Pentagon hit by a small missile and not a plane?}

Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, the alleged "Al-Qaeda mastermind," has confessed to direct involvement in a myriad of terrorist attacks and assassination plots around the world, including 9/11 "from A to Z," but some are likely to be disappointed that after 5 years of torture he stopped short of accepting responsibility for killing Kennedy, creating AIDS and being the real Santa Claus. ... But since Khalid has squealed on the "A to Z" of 9/11, perhaps he can provide some answers to a few troubling little questions that still have us 9/11 "conspiracy nuts" running around in circles; ... Was Khalid Shaikh Mohammed responsible for the FBI ordering the 1993 World Trade Center bombing to go ahead? In his confession, KSM says he ran the attack but fails to explain why it was the FBI who provided the terror cell with the bomb materials through their informant. ... Was Khalid Shaikh Mohammed responsible for advising the Secret Service not to remove President Bush from a completely unsecured Florida elementary school by letting them know he wasn't a target on 9/11?

http://www.prisonplanet.com/articles/march2007/150307ultimatepatsy.htm

Reports of the GOP's Death . . . You would have to be a clueless Republican not to be worried - {The Republican Party needs Christian/conservatives more than Christian/conservatives need the Republican Party. In fact with this current Liberal - Republican in name only Party there might as well be Democrats in the White House. If anyone thinks Bush is at all popular even in his own Party just look back at the last election disaster.}

Months before the first votes are cast in the campaign of 2008, some in the media are conducting last rites for the Republicans. The rush to bury the GOP is as hasty as it is premature. ... Of course, Republican partisans have every reason to be uneasy today. Their party has lost control of both houses of Congress. The president's overall ratings are in the cellar; the Iraq war continues, with mounting casualties; and aggressive investigations are uncovering fresh scandals in the administration at almost every turn. You would have to be a clueless Republican not to be worried. But the only thing we know for certain about the 2008 election is that we know none of the vital facts that will determine its outcome. We don't know the identities of the candidates or their strengths and weaknesses. We don't know where the war will be or what new challenges terrorism and other international forces may present. We don't know what condition the economy will be in, and we don't know what fears or hopes will animate the voters.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/03/14/AR2007031402178.html

U.S. Mint accidentally releases coins without 'In God We Trust' - Production of the presidential dollar entails a "new, complex, high-volume manufacturing system" that the mint will adjust to eliminate any future defects, the mint said in a statement

Faulty coins from Philly: About half were made in Philadelphia and the rest in Denver. So far the mint has only received reports of error coins coming from Philadelphia, mint spokeswoman Becky Bailey said. Bailey said it was unknown how many coins lacked the inscriptions. Ron Guth, president of Professional Coin Grading Service, one of the world's largest coin authentication companies, said he believes that at least 50,000 error coins were put in circulation. ... Guth said it appeared from the roughly 50 smooth-edge dollars he has authenticated that the problem had to do with quality control rather than a mechanical error. ... Bailey said the striking of the Adams coin, expected to roll out in mid-May, will proceed as planned. "We are adjusting the manufacturing process to try to eliminate the problems," she said.

Panel OKs Subpoenas in Attorney (General) Probe - Still, Bush left himself room to sack the attorney general - "What was mishandled was the explanation of the cases to the Congress," Bush said "And Al's (Alberto Gonzales) got work to do up there"

The subpoenas are a warning to the embattled administration to follow through on promises in recent days by Gonzales and Bush to tell the whole story of the firings, beyond the selected details that Associate Deputy Attorney General William Moschella revealed to the House panel last week. ... Although some Republicans have been tepid in their support for the attorney general, Sununu was the first to go so far in the uproar over the Justice Department's firing of the attorneys and its response to congressional questions, plus a separate report that the administration abused its power to secretly investigate suspected terrorists. The White House issued a curt response to Sununu's remarks. "We're disappointed, obviously," White House spokesman Tony Snow said. A Justice Department spokeswoman refused to comment. Speaking to reporters in Mexico before returning to Washington, Bush expressed confidence in Gonzales and defended the firings. "What Al did and what the Justice Department did was appropriate," the president said. Still, Bush left himself room to sack the attorney general. "What was mishandled was the explanation of the cases to the Congress," Bush said. "And Al's got work to do up there." Gonzales, expected to meet with lawmakers this week, has been fending off Democratic demands that he resign over the ousters of the eight U.S. attorneys, which Democrats have characterized as a politically motivated purge. "We want Congress to know, to understand what happened here," Gonzales said. "We'll work it out."

http://www.examiner.com/a-620449~Panel OKs Subpoenas in Attorney Probe.html

'Congress was lied to' - Calls for ouster of attorney general (Alberto Gonzales) if involved in providing false information to lawmakers

U.S. Rep. Darrell Issa said Wednesday he was "outraged" that executive branch officials recently gave a congressional hearing misleading and inaccurate testimony based on information that both the Department of Justice and the White House knew to be untrue. "We can soft-pedal it a lot of ways, but Congress was lied to," Issa, R-Vista, said in a Wednesday phone interview from his Washington office. ... He said that if Attorney General Alberto Gonzales had any role in false information being given to Congress, "he should not be able to continue in his job." ... "I am concerned that we have lost trust in the attorney general's office," Issa said. "Everybody who is part of us getting false testimony must go, up to and including the attorney general himself."

http://www.nctimes.com/articles/2007/03/15/news/top_stories/1_01_463_14_07.txt

{Flashback} November 14 - November 25, 2001: US Secretly Authorizes Airlift of Pakistani and Taliban Fighters (from Afghanistan to Pakistan) - when asked to assure that the US did not allow such an airlift, Rumsfeld says, "Oh, you can be certain of that. We have not seen a single-to my knowledge, we have not seen a single airplane or helicopter go into Afghanistan in recent days or weeks and extract people and take them out of Afghanistan to any country, let alone Pakistan" - Reporter Seymour Hersh believes that Rumsfeld must have given approval for the airlift

At the request of the Pakistani government, the US secretly allows rescue flights into the besieged Taliban stronghold of Kunduz, in Northern Afghanistan, to save Pakistanis fighting for the Taliban (and against US forces) and bring them back to Pakistan. Pakistan's President "Musharraf won American support for the airlift by warning that the humiliation of losing hundreds-and perhaps thousands-of Pakistani Army men and intelligence operatives would jeopardize his political survival." [New Yorker, 1/21/02] Dozens of senior Pakistani military officers, including two generals, are flown out. [PBS Now with Bill Moyers, 2/21/03] In addition, it is reported that the Pakistani government assists 50 trucks filled with foreign fighters to escape the town. [New York Times, 11/24/01] Many news articles at the time suggest an airlift is occurring. [BBC, 11/26/01; Independent, 11/26/01; New York Times, 11/24/01; Independent, 11/16/01; Guardian, 11/27/01; MSNBC, 11/29/01] Significant media coverage fails to develop, however. The US and Pakistani governments deny the existence of the airlift. [State Department, 11/16/01; New Yorker, 1/21/02] On December 2, when asked to assure that the US did not allow such an airlift, Rumsfeld says, "Oh, you can be certain of that. We have not seen a single-to my knowledge, we have not seen a single airplane or helicopter go into Afghanistan in recent days or weeks and extract people and take them out of Afghanistan to any country, let alone Pakistan." [MSNBC, 12/2/01] Reporter Seymour Hersh believes that Rumsfeld must have given approval for the airlift. [PBS Now with Bill Moyers, 2/21/03] However, The New Yorker magazine reports, "What was supposed to be a limited evacuation apparently slipped out of control and, as an unintended consequence, an unknown number of Taliban and al-Qaeda fighters managed to join in the exodus." A CIA analyst says, "Many of the people they spirited away were in the Taliban leadership" who Pakistan wanted for future political negotiations. US intelligence was "supposed to have access to them, but it didn't happen," he says. According to Indian intelligence, airlifts grow particularly intense in the last three days before the city falls on November 25. Of the 8,000 remaining al-Qaeda, Pakistani, and Taliban, about 5,000 are airlifted out and 3,000 surrender. [New Yorker, 1/21/02] Hersh later claims that "maybe even some of bin Laden's immediate family were flown out on those evacuations." [PBS Now with Bill Moyers, 2/21/03]

http://www.cooperativeresearch.org/entity.jsp?id=1521846767-603

{Flashback} Bush Admits He Lied About Rumsfeld For Political Purposes (Video 1 Min.)

Last week, President Bush unequivocally told a group of reporters that Defense Secretary Rumsfeld and Vice President Cheney would "remain with him until the end of his presidency, extending a job guarantee to two of the most-vilified members of his administration." Bush said, "Both those men are doing fantastic jobs and I strongly support them." Today, he announced Rumsfeld is resigning and being replaced by former CIA Director Robert Gates. ... Bush admitted that he had talked to Rumsfeld about resigning and was actively searching for his replacement at the time.

http://thinkprogress.org/2006/11/08/bush-lied-rumsfeld/

Exclusive: 2002 Pro-Choice Romney Video - He clearly states his firm position of being pro-choice in this video, which is sure to make lasting impressions of Romney in the minds of many voters {Mitt Romney is clearly dishonest. Why is the Republican Party even willing to take a chance on him?}

CBNNews.com -- As if Mitt Romney's conversion from pro-choice to pro-life didn't make enough conservatives uneasy, a second You Tube video -- discovered and reported first by CBN News -- is almost sure to make a few more waves in his quest for presidency. The 2002 video shows footage of Romney and his wife, Ann, being interviewed during his bid for the Governor of Massachusetts. He clearly states his firm position of being pro-choice in this video, which is sure to make lasting impressions of Romney in the minds of many voters. Earlier this year in January, a video surfaced on You Tube of Romney's 1994 U.S. senatorial campaign debate with Sen. Ted Kennedy, where he clearly stated his pro-choice stance, as well. In a press release which can be found on Romney's Web site, the governor's communications director, Kevin Madden, commented that the 1994 footage was "ancient," implying that he had long since departed from that view.

http://www.cbn.com/cbnnews/120115.aspx

Folger urges conservatives not to settle for GOP frontrunners - But Folger says she is especially troubled that many conservative leaders are rushing to support former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney - Romney is "extreme" as he "not only wants abortion -- he wants you to pay for it with your tax dollars" - "even after his supposed (Pro-Life) conversion"

Conservative author and talk show host Janet Folger of the group Faith 2 Action (faith2action.org) believes GOP presidential frontrunners -- Rudy Giuliani, John McCain and Mitt Romney -- are Republicans in name only. Meanwhile, she says GOP presidential candidates who actually agree with the party's platform are not even being considered by the mainstream press and many conservative leaders. ... But Folger says she is especially troubled that many conservative leaders are rushing to support former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney. "This is the most concerning," she says, "because there's a lot of people who are running to him because he suddenly and conveniently switched from being an ardent, hardcore pro-abort." In actuality, the pro-family talk radio host says, Romney is "extreme," as he "not only wants abortion -- he wants you to pay for it with your tax dollars." And that is exactly what the candidate's healthcare plan said, she points out, "even after his supposed conversion." Romney also "mandated marriage licenses to homosexual couples," Folger adds, "even after his supposed pro-marriage conversion." Instead of looking at name-only Republican presidential hopefuls such as McCain and Romney, she argues, conservatives need to take a closer look at candidates like Duncan Hunter, Tom Tancredo, Sam Brownback and Mike Huckabee, and others who more closely align with the Republican Party's platform.

http://www.gopusa.com/news/2007/march/0313 gop frustration.shtml

Microsoft Sues Cybersquatters - Software giant alleges trademark infringement against companies claiming similar domain names - a practice known as cybersquatting, or misspellings of those names, known as typosquatting

It alleges that the companies intentionally registered domain names with variations of its trademarks, a practice known as cybersquatting, or misspellings of those names, known as typosquatting. Often, domains registered in this way point to Web pages containing advertisements that, if clicked upon, generate revenue for the owner of the domain. Microsoft said the practice is deceptive and confusing for users. Microsoft will receive damages from some companies, it said. ... Over the last six months, Microsoft said it has reclaimed 1,100 domain names that infringe on its brand. The company owns 21,000 domain names, and new ones recovered through settlements are redirected to the microsoft.com domain, Le Toquin said.

http://www.pcworld.com/article/id,129840-c,internetlegalissues/article.html

Episcopal Minister Boycotts 'Straight' Weddings - {Christian fasting is to be used for removing and

overcoming evil and immorality and not for embracing it. The Christian Baptism is a symbol that a person has changed from their past immoral life and has entered into a New Holy life in Jesus. Baptism is not an entry pass into heaven nor is it a seal of approval for one's own sins.}

An Episcopal minister in Massachusetts will stop performing all wedding ceremonies to protest the denomination's prohibition of same-sex unions. "We are called to join the fast that our homosexual brothers and sisters in Christ have had to observe all their lives," said the Rev. Robert Hirschfeld, rector of Grace Episcopal Church in Amherst. ... Two priest associates at Grace Church, the Rev. Margaret Bullitt-Jonas and the Rev. Burton Whiteside, also said they won't perform marriages. "I am convinced that when gays and lesbians are baptized, they become full members of the body of Christ," said Bullitt-Jonas. "They are not partial members or conditional members or second-class members."

http://www.newsmax.com/archives/ic/2007/3/13/90245.shtml

Scientists: Gore Goes Too Far in 'An Inconvenient Truth' - "But there are a lot of inaccuracies in the statements we are seeing, and we have to temper that with real data"

Several experts on climate change, including both proponents and skeptics of the man-made global warming theory, question former Vice President Al Gore's assertions in his Academy Award-winning documentary film "An Inconvenient Truth." "I don't want to pick on Al Gore," said Don J. Easterbrook, a geologist at Western Washington University, told an annual meeting of the Geological Society of America, according to a report in The New York Times. "But there are a lot of inaccuracies in the statements we are seeing, and we have to temper that with real data."

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,258462,00.html

Mitt Romney Buys the Right - If Romney secures the Republican nomination, he will confirm Will Rogers' words of wisdom, "A fool and his money are soon elected" {If Romney wins anything, it's not even winning, it's not even winning ugly, it's just dirty backroom political bribes and tricks.}

As I reported in the Nation last November, Lopez was given a private reception by Romney last October. The visit yielded a fawning blog post and a softball interview in which NR editors acknowledged that KLo "has some pro-Romney tendencies." What the National Review failed to acknowledge was that Romney donated \$10,000 to its in-house think tank, the National Review Institute, right before declaring his presidential candidacy. As David Kirpatrick of the Times reported yesterday, NR is not the only right-wing group awash in Romney's riches. The Federalist Society, a right-wing legal cabal that hosted, Romney as a speaker at its 2005 convention, has been granted \$35,000 by the ex-governor over the past two years. Romney's relationship with the Massachusetts Family Institute is more telling. The Family Institute, a local affiliate of James Dobson's Focus on the Family, was one of Romney's most aggressive critics during his term as governor. But in 2006, after Romney donated \$10,000 to the group, it changed its tune. ... Romney's fortunes have continued to flood the conservative grassroots since he declared his candidacy. Many observers of the recent conservative movement gathering, CPAC, were suprised that Romney defeated other, more conservative Republican presidential contenders in the event's straw poll. Yet his victory was assured from the beginning: Romney paid droves of student "volunteers" to attend CPAC, purchasing their plane tickets and hotel fare in exchange for their votes.

http://news.yahoo.com/s/thenation/20070312/cm_thenation/45174210

Halliburton to Move Headquarters to Middle East Hub of Dubai - "At this point in time we clearly see

there are greater opportunities in the eastern hemisphere than the western hemisphere"

MANAMA/HOUSTON - U.S. oil services firm Halliburton Co. (HAL) is moving its headquarters and chief executive to Dubai in a move that immediately sparked criticism from some U.S. politicians. Texas-based Halliburton, which was led by Vice President Dick Cheney from 1995-2000, did not specify what, if any, tax implications the move might entail. It plans to list on a Middle East bourse once it moves to Dubai - a booming commercial center in the Gulf. The company said it was making the moves to position itself better to gain contracts in the oil-rich Middle East. "This is an insult to the U.S. soldiers and taxpayers who paid the tab for their no-bid contracts and endured their overcharges for all these years," said judiciary committee chairman Sen. Patrick Leahy, a Vermont Democrat. ... Halliburton has drawn scrutiny from auditors, congressional Democrats and the Justice Department for the quality and pricing of its KBR Inc. (KBR) unit's work for the U.S. army in Iraq. ... But Lesar told reporters: "At this point in time we clearly see there are greater opportunities in the eastern hemisphere than the western hemisphere."

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,258274,00.html

Who Killed Jesus? - He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: - and the LORD hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all (Flash)

Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:4-6

http://freechristiancontent.org/PU-Who Killed Jesus.htm

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http://www.basicchristian.us/downloads/JesusWalk.pdf

Examining the 'Jesus Tomb' Evidence - Their method is essentially, "Evidence that favors the theory is included. The rest is excluded

Scientific method demands a careful, systematic weighing of all the evidence, for and against. The documentarians have not done this. They have systematically ignored the unfavorable evidence: (1) they ignored those who should not be in the tomb, (2) they did not properly consider those who should be in the tomb; (3) they ignored the strong likelihood that Jesus could not be buried in the tomb. Their method is essentially, "Evidence that favors the theory is included. The rest is excluded." ... What they offer here is not science, but pseudo-science -- polemic dressed in scientific language. Numbers and "tests" are trotted out, but only for the sake of appearance. The hypothesis is never actually in danger because the falsifying evidence is excised before the evaluation begins. In other words, the rules of the game are: heads they win, tails you lose. The game was rigged from the start.

Bible verse: But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in the statutes of your fathers, neither observe their judgments, nor defile yourselves with their idols: I am the LORD your God; walk in my statutes Ezekiel 20:18-19 ... {The complete Bible is available at BasicChristian.info}

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'With Republicans Like These, Who Needs Democrats?' - Do we really want to throw serious Conservative candidates under the bus in favor of "star power?" - That's the question upon which hangs the future of the Republican party

Do we really want to throw serious Conservative candidates under the bus in favor of "star power?" Since the Republicans dumped Conservative Tom McClintock because moderate Arnold Schwarzenegger was a "sure win" in the 2003 recall election, California's Governator has moved so far Left that Grey Davis might as well have been left in charge. Sure, the man's got an "R" after his name, but letters don't make policies-people do. Now weak-willed Republicans propose to make the same mistake on a larger scale. The election of our President should not be reduced to the level of a popularity contest. We're not electing homecoming king of the local high school, but the leader of the free world. A serious party should put forth a serious candidate-one who represents the best that party has to offer. Yet I fear that the Republican party is being driven towards candidates whose only recommendation is name recognition, regardless of their qualifications or policies. ... If the Republicans put forth a moderate media darling like McCain or Giuliani instead of a sincerely Conservative candidate like Duncan Hunter, they will have proven that they no longer espouse Conservative values and ideals. Should the party that once propelled Ronald Reagan to two electoral landslides fear to promote a man who espouses Reagan's policies because he lacks a benediction from the fourth estate? That's the question upon which hangs the future of the Republican party.

http://newsbyus.com/more.php?id=7405_0_1_0_M

Iraq's PM Al-Maliki Orders Probe Into British-Iraqi Raid at the National Iraqi Intelligence Agency - Inside, troops discovered 30 prisoners with signs of torture and abuse, including one woman and two children, the British military said in a statement

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Iraq's government opened a probe Monday into a British-Iraqi raid on a police intelligence headquarters in southern Iraq that captured an alleged death squad leader and found 30 prisoners with signs of torture. The raid took place Sunday at the National Iraqi Intelligence Agency building in Basra, Iraq's second-largest city, 340 miles southeast of Baghdad. ... Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki ordered an investigation into the raid and vowed to punish "those who carried out this illegal and irresponsible act," his office said in a statement late Sunday. ... Sunday's raid came a day after Iraqi commandos arrested a suspected militia leader, from whom they gleaned information that enabled them to carry out the operation, the statement said.

http://www.foxnews.com/story/0,2933,256603,00.html

Giuliani, McCain, Romney Vie For GOP Moderate Soul - Perhaps the lack of true ultra-conservative candidate is due to wanting to win against the likely candidacy of Hillary Clinton (or even Barack Obama) who will bring out the "conservative" vote in the Republican party, anyway

The Republican Presidential primary really is the campaign of the middle ground {in this particular Election Cycle-Year}. Among the top tier candidates there is no true Pat Robertson or Pat Buchannan-type-of-candidate that the right-wing conservatives can call their own. Perhaps the lack of true ultra-conservative candidate is due to wanting to win against the likely candidacy of Hillary Clinton (or even Barack Obama) who will bring out the "conservative" vote in the Republican party, anyway. ... In reality, in today's political world, the Republican candidate who wins the primary season will be a non-Hillary or Obama but a moderate on many issues with a tinge of hard-rock conservatism in areas where it matters. Ultimately, the party is simply putting pragmatism over hard-core principle. That's what it will take to capture the Presidential nomination--as the candidates battle for dollars trying to cross the finish line in this brutal Republican battle of primary attrition.

http://www.bayoubuzz.com/News/US/Politics/President Race 2008/Giuliani McCain Romney Vie For GO P_Moderate_Soul___2990.asp

Vermonters say winter's not what it used to be - Vermont natives say winter now arrives late, leaves early

DANVILLE, Vermont (AP) -- Jane Larrabee hadn't had to shovel snow off the roof of her cottage in three years, until a big storm socked Vermont on Valentine's Day. Maple sugar maker Burr Morse, Jr., can no longer predict when the sap will start running in his farm's 3,000 maple trees. In recent years, warm weather has tricked trees into believing it's springtime, prompting runs in January instead of March. ... "We're very used to the idea that winter is not only a distinct and powerful season, but it's probably THE most distinct and powerful season in our minds. People used to say Vermont was 10 months of winter and two months of bad sledding. "Now, it's two months of bad sledding and 10 months of mud season," McKibben said. "It's very strange and unsettling."

http://www.cnn.com/2007/WEATHER/03/04/changing.winter.ap/index.html

Dr. Dobson, Evangelical Leaders Challenge Global-Warming Rhetoric - Letter urges National Association of Evangelicals to restrain its D.C. spokesman {Yeah, I think Jesus said 'Preach the Gospel' and not to stress out too much over political propaganda like global-warming. BTW a main component to global-warming is weather modification/manipulation and weather experiments - these issues need to be addressed and resolved.}

In a letter to the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE), James C. Dobson, Ph.D., chairman of Focus on the Family Action, joined other pro-family leaders in urging the NAE to refrain from taking a position on the controversial and divisive topic of global warming and other issues. NAE official Richard Cizik, who works in the group's Washington, D.C., office, has told the media it's indisputable that human activity has contributed to global warming and has encouraged evangelicals to make it a top issue. On other occasions, he's said evangelicals "must confront population control." "We ask," Dobson and the others wrote, "how is population control going to be achieved, if not by promoting abortion, the distribution of condoms to the young and even by infanticide in China and elsewhere? Is this where Richard Cizik would lead us?" To demonstrate that not all evangelicals are on board with global warming alarmism, the letter references a statement by the Interfaith Stewardship Alliance that challenges common assumptions about global warming. ...

http://www.citizenlink.org/clspecialalert/A000004040.cfm

Gates Joins Saudi Prince in Four Seasons Buy - A group including Bill Gates' Cascade Investment has agreed to buy the Four Seasons Hotels for \$3.37 billion - The group, which plans to take the company private, also includes Kingdom Hotels International and Isadore Sharp, Four Seasons' chairman and chief executive. Kingdom Hotels is owned by a trust created by Saudi Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal

Luxury hotel operator Four Seasons Hotels said Monday it agreed to accept a US\$3.37 billion going-private offer from its chief executive and firms owned by Bill Gates and a Saudi prince. Under the terms of the agreement, parties including Gates' Cascade Investment, Kingdom Hotels International and Isadore Sharp, Four Seasons' chairman and chief executive, will buy the Toronto company for \$82 per share. Kingdom Hotels is owned by a trust created by Saudi Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal, a nephew of the late King Fahd and one of the richest businessmen in the Middle East. ... The transaction will be implemented by way of a court-approved plan of arrangement under Ontario law. Four Seasons currently operates 73 hotels in 31 countries, and has more than 25 other properties under development.

 $\underline{http://www.ecommercetimes.com/story/XEMQz2ge2deUPW/Gates-Joins-Saudi-Prince-in-Four-Seasons-Buy.} \\ xhtml$

{Flashback} This morning out in Jackson Hole, Wyoming {Bush appointed} Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke is speaking to fellow central bankers at the Jackson Hole symposium - This year's theme for the symposium is "Global Economic Integration: What's New and What's Not." - The USA Today reports that more than 80 formerly public companies have gone private this year, on pace to be the busiest year since at least 2000

... In the face of a meltdown in same-store sales and falling customer counts, some of the biggest names in casual dining are cutting prices, according to the USA Today. "This is unprecedented," Paul Avery, COO of OSI Restaurant Partners (OSI), which includes the Outback Steakhouse brand, told the newspaper. Beginning in November, Outback plans to cut prices across its menu. ... The Future of the Stock Market? The USA Today reports that more than 80 formerly public companies have gone private this year, on pace to be the busiest year since at least 2000. Hey old public friend, where ya going?

http://www.minyanville.com/articles/index.php?a=11074

Gates sells more Microsoft stock, filings show - Bill Gates, chairman and co-founder of Microsoft Corp., sold 4 million shares of the software giant's stock over the last three days of February, bringing his total sales for the month to 20 million [shares] {I think the 'Wow' has started now ... as in 'Wow' Bill Gates must think Microsoft has little future and it is about to tank!}

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http://www.marketwatch.com/news/story/filings-show-gates-sold-20/story.aspx?guid=%7B49EF9F15-1156-44BC-A94B-6C851DD00B63%7D

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What bird has a [bottom] beak that grows continually? - So, evolutionists have a real problem trying to explain how the lower beak came to continually grow and the upper beak did not

Skimmers are birds that live along the coast, and they have a unique way of feeding. These birds fly just above the water with their lower beak skimming the surface. Whenever that beak hits anything in the water, it scoops up its prey. Over time, the friction of the water wears against the lower beak, so you would expect the beak to wear away. But the lower beak of the skimmer continually grows at the same rate that it wears! Skimmers that are kept in zoos have to have their lower beaks trimmed on a regular basis or the lower beak will grow out way past the upper beak. The upper beak of the skimmer doesn't continually grow. But it doesn't touch the water and won't wear down. So, evolutionists have a real problem trying to explain how the lower beak came to continually grow and the upper beak did not.

http://www.answersingenesis.org/e-mail/archive/AnswersUpdate/2007/0303.asp

Belated outrage emerges over Easter Bunny's 2003 name change - "First people can't wish 'Merry Christmas' at a store, and now they've taken Easter away from the Easter Bunny" {Try to find a traditional Easter product like candy, eggs or baskets in a store that actually says 'Easter' on it. It's nearly impossible, now everything is a Spring product.}

City spokesman Brad Rovanpera said he was surprised by the media buzz and TV news trucks outside City Hall Thursday, attracted by a change instituted in 2003 with no controversy. The city's Spring Bunny reigns over annual "Spring Egg Hunts" in two city parks. "This will be the fifth year we are doing it that way," Rovanpera said. "This is the first complaint that I have ever heard. In fact, no one has ever complained to the city that we know of. This is from a letter to the editor." But the author of the letter that a local paper published Wednesday, a former newspaper reporter named Michael Runzler, said banishing the word "Easter" from the bunny and the eggs strikes a nerve with many people. He is happy the story is getting attention, even if belatedly. "First people can't wish 'Merry Christmas' at a store, and now they've taken Easter away from the Easter Bunny," Runzler said in an interview Thursday. "Everyone is welcome to celebrate what they want to celebrate, but if you're offended by an Easter Bunny or an Easter egg, then maybe you should not participate."

http://sfgate.com/cgi-bin/article.cgi?f=/c/a/2007/03/02/BAGHQOE7111.DTL

*** Regent students upset at Romney's choice as speaker - his Mormon faith clashes with the school's bedrock evangelical Christianity - "What we're against is the fact that Mormonism is on the complete opposite end of the spectrum from Christian values and what we believe" {A guest speaker is one thing and a commencement speaker is another. A commencement speaker is who you want your students to emulate as an example. The Mormon Mitt Romney like other Mormons likely believes that ALL contemporary Christians are eternally damned (diminishing the blood of Jesus) and headed to hell, or to a third heaven or forever to be servants to obedient Mormons or something similar. Pat Robertson needs to explain this decision!}

VIRGINIA BEACH - Selecting presidential candidate Mitt Romney as its May commencement speaker has riled some of Regent University's students and alumni who say his Mormon faith clashes with the school's bedrock evangelical Christianity. "What we're against is the fact that Mormonism is on the complete opposite end of the spectrum from Christian values and what we believe," said Doug Dowdey, a Virginia Beach pastor who said he graduated from Regent's divinity school last year. The controversy over Romney's visit has bubbled for two weeks among students, spilling onto Regent's internal electronic bulletin board, "The Branch." Scores of e-mails on both sides of the debate have been posted, a student said. Pat Robertson, the Christian broadcaster who is Regent's founder and chancellor, invited Romney to be the keynote speaker, said Sherri Stocks, a Regent vice president. Romney is the former Republican governor of Massachusetts.

http://content.hamptonroads.com/story.cfm?story=120422&ran=110486

Free Software Foundation (FSF) Urges Computer Makers To Replace Windows Vista With Free OS - The FSF sent five proposals to Sun Microsystems, HP, and Dell in January that would aid in the spread of free operating systems

The Free Software Foundation, taking advantage of what it says is the rejection of Microsoft's Windows Vista operating system, is urging major computer hardware manufacturers to offer consumers computers without any operating system or with a free GNU/Linux OS. "We see Microsoft Vista as being a failure," said Peter Brown, FSF executive director, in an interview Friday. "People aren't buying new hardware because of Vista." ... The FSF's suggestions that hardware makers can adopt to aid the spread of free software range from supporting free software drivers and a free BIOS to removing proprietary BIOS locks and rejecting digital rights management systems, which the foundation calls digital restrictions management. Brown says the most important of the five proposals is to convince PC makers to ship machines without an OS or with a free operating system. Brown believes many consumers want computers without pre-installed operating systems so they can choose a free OS. As evidence, he pointed to Dell's new IdeaStorm site that solicits consumer opinions. The idea on the Dell site that's generating the most votes by far is, "offer the top free Linux versions for free pre-installation on all Dell PCs."

http://www.informationweek.com/news/showArticle.jhtml?articleID=197700816

McCain wins Spartanburg, South Carolina straw poll - California Rep. Duncan Hunter is 3rd

WASHINGTON (CNN) -- Arizona Sen. John McCain won a Spartanburg, South Carolina straw poll Friday, an early sign of how conservative South Carolinians might view the GOP presidential field. McCain beat former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani by two votes, 164-162, according to Spartanburg County GOP chairman Rick Beltram. California Rep. Duncan Hunter came in third with 158 votes.

http://www.cnn.com/POLITICS/blogs/politicalticker/2007/03/mccain-wins-spartanburg-straw-poll.html

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http://www.carm.org/questions/abortion.htm

'Cameron on Jesus is like Hefner on abstinence' - Critics of Discovery Channel's 'Lost Tomb' project multiplying - no one from the Israeli Antiquities Authority has been willing to corroborate the claim and no Israeli archaeologists have stepped forward in support

"The fact remains, Jesus Christ's tomb was empty, he physically appeared to thousands of people and ate with and spoke to them, the Romans and Jews who opposed Jesus and His followers at the time could not find his bones, and cowards like Peter, skeptics like Thomas, and vicious persecutors like Paul became extraordinarily brave men who underwent painful torture and death rather than deny that they had witnessed the resurrected Jesus Christ," Baehr said. "Having watched how Hollywood portrays Christians and Christian values for the past 30 years, it is clear that Hollywood considers Christianity its greatest enemy. Because of our silence, Christianity is the only religion they feel free to attack!" the American Family Association said. "It is time for Christians to send a message to The Discover Channel and Hollywood that enough is enough!"

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE ID=54506

Microsoft OneCare Last in Antivirus Tests - In tests involving worms, viruses, Trojan horses, and other malware, Microsoft's Windows Live OneCare came in - last

Microsoft's Windows Live OneCare came in dead last out of a group of 17 antivirus programs tested against hundreds of thousands of worms, viruses, Trojan horses and other malware, an Austrian antivirus researcher reported Wednesday. The AV Comparatives Web site, which is maintained by Andreas Cleminti from Innsbruck, Austria, posts quarterly results of tests that pit the top antivirus products against a dynamic list of nearly half a million individual pieces of malware. ... Holding the bottom spot was Microsoft's Windows Live OneCare, the consumer security suite that the Redmond, Wash. developer launched last year. OneCare took care of just 82.4 percent of the malware.

http://www.pcworld.com/article/id,129521-c,antivirus/article.html

Life is like a Super Bowl! - by Dr. Norman Geisler - Audio (MP4)

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http://www.impactapologetics.com/product.asp?P_ID=828&numRecordPosition=2&strPageHistory=&strKeywords=&strSearchCriteria=&PT_ID=331

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William & Mary's Wren Cross decision defines arrogance - I have not spoken to one person who has received a response from President Gene Nichol to letters or e-mails concerning the matter - I guess he figures it's acceptable to just ignore them

It seems that the most amazing aspect of the debate over whether a historic cross should be returned to the College of William & Mary's Wren Chapel is the incredibly arrogant attitude displayed by the college's administration. ... This time the arrogance is displayed by Nichol's director of university relations, Michael Connelly. In a Feb. 23 CNS News article, Connolly blamed the students, and especially those students who opposed the cross's removal, for bringing an embarrassing "Sex Workers' Art Show" to campus. He's quoted as saying the show "was financed by student fees, selected by students, paid for by student organizations." The article mentioned that Connelly said "two of the students who set up the Save the Wren Cross campaign on campus were also school senators [who] had voted on the issue of where to spend the student fees." He added: "Why did the co-founders of the Save the Wren Cross site allow this certain program to go on using their student fees? If there is hypocrisy here, it might begin with the student founders of the Save the Wren Cross site. To use un-Christian means to promote Christianity seems to be a contradiction in terms." *** Seems scathing, but here is the problem with Connelly's statement: The two student senators Connelly alluded to voted against the sex show. And this guy is a seasoned PR professional? Connelly has a lot of nerve twisting the facts *** and then using these false characterizations to impugn the faith of these courageous young men. Clearly, an apology is in order. (An apology and a resignation or two would also be in order!}

http://fredericksburg.com/News/FLS/2007/032007/03012007/263106

\$6m more OK'd for (Massachusetts Turnpike) Big Dig repairs - {No wonder Gov. Big Dig Mitt Romney only wants to talk about the 02 Winter Olympics, not sure anyone would want this taxpayer fiasco on their Presidential resume!}

The Massachusetts Turnpike Authority yesterday approved an additional \$6 million to pay for Big Dig repairs, increasing the price tag from last summer's fatal tunnel ceiling collapse to \$31 million -- with more potentially to come. ... About a month after Del Valle's death, Big Dig officials sought and received \$15 million for fixes, but warned that the amount was a preliminary estimate. In December, the turnpike authority board approved another \$10 million at the request of Big Dig officials. The Turnpike Authority board's chairman, John Cogliano , who presided over the aftermath of the tunnel collapse as transportation secretary under former governor Mitt Romney , said any initial estimates made on repair costs were based on limited information. "If you go back to July, we didn't know," he said. "We didn't know what the problems were. I would be hard pressed to come up with an estimate back then." ... The money has come from the state government's bond account. Attorney General Martha Coakley is contemplating a lawsuit against Big Dig contractors to recover the money.

http://www.boston.com/news/local/articles/2007/03/01/6m more okd for big dig repairs/

Cross debate costs College of William & Mary \$12 million donation

WILLIAMSBURG, Virginia (AP) -- A longtime donor to the College of William and Mary is withholding a \$12 million pledge because of the decision to remove of a cross from a campus chapel, the school said. The donor, who was not identified, changed his mind after school President Gene Nichol decided in October that the cross should be stored in a sacristy to make the chapel welcoming to students of all faiths, Nichol spokesman Mike Connolly said. The loss of the funds "represents a serious setback to the college," Nichol wrote in an e-mailed statement Tuesday.

http://www.cnn.com/2007/EDUCATION/02/28/college.cross.ap/index.html

William & Mary College - Out with the cross, in with the strippers

The formerly Christian college that sparked a national furor by removing a cross from its chapel in the interest of diversity this week packed out its auditorium with an explicit porn show. The historic College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia, whose chancellor is former Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor ...

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=54289

October 8, 2006 - Annual Missions Conference - Don Richardson - Sermon_20061008.mp3 (MP3)

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Google on collision course with Microsoft - These pathways will be open to many vendors, and not just Google - Gartner believes that by year-end 2007, Microsoft, Yahoo, AOL and IBM among others will introduce (software as a service) SaaS offerings that compete with Google Apps

Google's new fee-based hosted suite of email and collaboration tools will disrupt Microsoft's model for the pricing and provisioning of enterprise email and other applications, experts predicted today. New research from Gartner said that Google Apps Premier Edition, a package of collaboration tools and personal productivity applications aimed at enterprise users, will be the first 'software as a service' (SaaS) offering that enterprises will seriously consider over the next three years. "Earlier competitors of Microsoft required enterprises to directly replace Microsoft Office and Outlook services and were therefore judged chiefly based on their ability to emulate Microsoft features," said the Gartner briefing. "Consistent with the 'disruptive innovation' notion taught in business schools, Google Apps creates a new category that can coexist with Microsoft products while distinguishing itself."

http://www.itweek.co.uk/vnunet/news/2184410/apps-premier-puts-google

'Cameron's coffin' is 2007 Easter attack - "The Lost Tomb of Jesus," is just the 2007 version of an annual attack on Christianity right around the time of Easter, the time at which the Christian church remembers Jesus' Resurrection

Robert Knight, director of the Media Research Center's Culture and Media Institute, told WND that the film, "The Lost Tomb of Jesus," is just the 2007 version of an annual attack on Christianity right around the time of Easter, the time at which the Christian church remembers Jesus' Resurrection. "It always seems to happen just before Easter," he said. "It's as if there's a script going around, and everyone gets a turn at it - to call into doubt the central theme of Christianity, which is that Jesus is God Incarnate and rose from the dead." ... A year ago, he said, it was the film, "Da Vinci Code," in which the claim is made that Jesus had a daughter. This year, under the pending "documentary" made by James Cameron, Jesus married Mary Magdalene, had son Judah, and they all died and were buried together in Jerusalem.

http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=54474

Apple's Open Source Assault - Because Apple makes its money on hardware, it can work to create good implementations, rather than working to hinder open interoperability, like Microsoft

While rebuilding its business over the last decade, Apple under Steve Jobs has armed itself with an incredibly powerful force: open source. It has leveraged that power to both rapidly outpace Microsoft in desktop operating system development and to build partnerships within the industry. Apple will soon be unleashing the power of open source to target a major line of Microsoft's business in a new way. ... Adding proprietary value to openly available code and specifications allows Apple to distinguish its products while still leveraging the power of open source and open standards. Because Apple makes its money on hardware, it can work to create good implementations, rather than working to hinder open interoperability, like Microsoft.

http://www.roughlydrafted.com/RD/RDM.Tech.Q1.07/818DF0CE-0BC8-4AE7-9CE9-8033889B1B35.html

Ten Reasons Why The Jesus Tomb Claim is Bogus - "Even the early opponents of the Christian message acknowledged that Jesus' tomb was empty - And the evidence for Jesus' bodily resurrection appearances has never been refuted"

"Unfortunately, this is a story full of holes, conjectures and problems," said Dr. Ben Witherington, author of What Have They Done With Jesus? and New Testament professor at Asbury Theological Seminary. "It will make good TV {yeah, good TV to avoid and boycott} and involves a bad critical reading of history. Basically, this is old news with a new interpretation. We have known about this tomb since it was discovered in 1980. There are all sorts of reasons to see this as much ado about nothing much." ... "In light of all the incredible number of problems with the recent claim that Jesus' grave has been found, the time-honored, multi-faceted evidence for the bodily resurrection of Jesus is more convincing than ever," said Dr. Gary Habermas, an expert on the resurrection of Jesus and author of The Case for the Resurrection. "Even the early opponents of the Christian message acknowledged that Jesus' tomb was empty. And the evidence for Jesus' bodily resurrection appearances has never been refuted."

http://www.christiannewswire.com/news/457272336.html

Was Thomas Jefferson Jewish?: Researchers Find TJ's Possibly Jewish Genes - Dr. Hammer said he would "hazard a guess at Sephardic Jewish ancestry" for Jefferson, although any such interpretation was highly tentative - Sephardic Jews are descendants of those expelled from Spain and Portugal after 1492

Researchers have found that Jefferson's Y chromosome belongs to a lineage rare in Europe but common in Jews from the Middle East who came to Europe. This riases the possibility that our nation's third President and one of its Founding Fathers had one or more Jewish ancestors, possibly a Sephardic Jew. ... The fact that K2 is common in the Middle East, however, raises the possibility that Jefferson had a Jewish ancestor, Dr. Jobling said. Jewish Y chromosomes resemble those of Middle Eastern peoples, and the Jewish Diaspora is one way Middle Eastern chromosomes entered Europe. But because so little work has been done on the rare K2 lineage, "our research raises the possibility, but doesn't help anyone to answer it either way," Dr. Jobling said. ... Dr. Hammer said he would "hazard a guess at Sephardic Jewish ancestry" for Jefferson, although any such interpretation was highly tentative. Sephardic Jews are descendants of those expelled from Spain and Portugal after 1492.

http://www.debbieschlussel.com/archives/2007/02/was_thomas_jeff.html

JAMES: The Activity Of Faith by Ray C. Stedman - Excellent Info about the life the teachings and the martyred death of James (Text)

The New Testament falls into various sections, each dealing with specific themes. A last section, introduced by the book of Hebrews, is concerned with the single theme of faith. The whole thrust of these letters of the New Testament is to explain to us what faith is and how it works, and each letter makes its unique contribution to that theme. James is the second book, then, in this section that deals with faith. This letter is of unique and peculiar significance to us because it comes from the one who knew more about the Lord Jesus than any other human being -- at least as far as the record that is passed on to us is concerned. James, the brother of our Lord, was raised in the same home in Nazareth, grew up with the Lord Jesus, saw him through all those silent years of which we have no record, and joined with his three other brothers -- Joseph, Simon, and Judas -- in opposition to the Lord Jesus during the early days of his ministry. James was finally converted by the resurrection of the Lord; and the Apostle Paul tells us that after the resurrection, the Lord appeared to James (1 Cor. 15:7). Many of us would give a lot to know what happened during that time when James had looked upon Jesus as nothing more than his brother. He was one who had grave doubts that Jesus was indeed the Son of God as he claimed; once he had regarded him as a madman, and came with his mother and brothers to have him locked up -- or at least go home with them, get him out of the public view. But finally, by the resurrection, he was convinced that here indeed was God manifest in the flesh -- "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us" {John 1:14a RSV}, and James, too, saw "his glory as of the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth," {John 1:14b KJV}. And so he begins his letter, James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, {Jas 1:1a RSV} That is a great testimony, isn't it, to the deity of Jesus? That this one who was his half-brother by nature should address him this way: "Our Lord Jesus Christ." And throughout this letter, there breathes a reverence and a respect for the person of the Lord that is unequaled anywhere in the New Testament. ...

http://www.pbc.org/library/files/html/0260.html

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http://www.pbc.org/library/series/2971

Excellent blog post by Ben Witherington on the inaccuracies underpinning the arguments laid out in "The Lost Tomb of Jesus" - In addition we are now regaled with a book by Simcha and Charles Pellegrino entitled The Jesus Family Tomb: The Discovery, the Investigation, and the Evidence That Could Change History just released today by Harper-Collins {Our not so good friends at 'Harper-Collins' parent company of 'Zondervan NIV bible publisher' and also parent company of 'The Satanic bible' are getting involved in this one too!}

Remember the tale of the Titanic? How it was supposed to be impregnable, and nothing could poke holes in it? How it would never be sunk? Well all I can say is that human hubris knows no bounds, and that hasn't changed in the last century. On April 15th 1912 the supposedly leak proof Titanic rammed into an iceberg and sank-sank like a giant stone. Sank quickly, with great loss of life. ... Furthermore, Eusebius reports that the tomb marker for James' burial was close to where James was martyred near the temple mount, indeed near the famous tombs in the Kidron valley such as the so-called tomb of Absalom. Talpiot is nowhere near this locale.

http://benwitherington.blogspot.com/2007/02/jesus-tomb-titanic-talpiot-tomb-theory.html

MRC's Bozell to Discovery Channel: Bury the 'Lost Tomb' Documentary - I don't support the suppression of news and information, but the unsupported sensationalism of this documentary seems a bit... distasteful - If there is no basis in fact for this show, it is misnamed (at least) and it's speculation is needlessly and tastelsessly denigrating to Christians

In a press statement released today, MRC President Brent Bozell urged the Discovery Channel to table the misleading James Cameron documentary "The Lost Tomb of Jesus." "If the Discovery Channel fails to cancel this slanderous 'documentary,' it will have to explain why it is intentionally misleading the public," said L. Brent Bozell III, president of the Media Research Center, referring to Sunday's upcoming airing of The Tomb of Jesus. "They should be embarrassed by this plunge into sensational speculation masquerading as 'science.' To slander Christianity at the start of the Lenten season is unconscionable." ... I don't support the suppression of news and information, but the unsupported sensationalism of this documentary seems a bit... distasteful. If there is no basis in fact for this show, it is misnamed (at least) and it's speculation is needlessly and tastelsessly denigrating to Christians.

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