

*"Religion occupies the highest seat in the human mind, and sees beneath it the civil matters pertaining to the world; it also ascends by means of them, as the pure sap ascends through the tree to its very top, and from that height it surveys what is natural, as from a tower one surveys the plains below."*

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On law and lawyers...

*"The law which is justice ought to be passed by the wise and God-fearing lawyers in the kingdom...."*

The New Jerusalem and its Heavenly Doctrine  
(Chadwick translation)

*"...most law schools do not include in the science of jurisprudence the systematic study of the connection between higher law, such as divine law and natural law, and human law, such as constitutional law and statute law. The underlying premises of our entire legal system are therefore left unexamined."*

Robert Kraynak, in the *Intercollegiate Review*, Spring 2003

*"Justice is to politics what beauty is to art; indeed, beauty and justice become almost identical at the highest levels of human aspiration."*

Raymond English, in an unpublished essay quoted by Russell Kirk

EDITORIAL

As the Summer of 2003 streams past, the price of a free Iraq is currently being paid in American lives. Media portrayals of the events occurring in Iraq since April have been so uniformly negative that it requires a conscious effort to balance the price paid with the blessings being secured by the Army of Freedom. The overwhelming majority of Iraqis, as they become assured that the regime is truly destroyed, are celebrating their first-ever taste of freedom. Neighboring Kuwait, along with an emboldened Bahrain and Qatar, have made major steps toward representative democracy. Saudi Arabia and Pakistan have been encouraged to confront terror sympathizers in their own lands. Protesters in Iran have rocked that country's theocracy back on its heels. Syria has been forced to its best behavior, and is withdrawing from its meddling in Lebanon. As the Army of Freedom, having destroyed the Taliban regime in Afghanistan, continues to break the back of Al Qaeda around the world, countries ranging from Russia to the Philippines have been inspired to crush terrorist groups on their own soil. In the Middle East, Yassir Arafat is being isolated, and the Palestinians are coming to the table to negotiate peace. These events are not occurring by chance. They are the direct results of sacrifices made by the Army of Freedom.

On April 12th, for the first time as far as we know, there was a formal gathering of New Church attorneys for the purpose of discussing and debating the law and legal ethics. Together with interested members of the community, those in attendance participated in a day of presentations and discussions about the source and nature of legal ethics. This issue of *Church and State* is largely devoted to reviewing the fruits of this effort. For the full text of the papers by Eli Echols and Dr. Tom Andrews, please contact the editor.

*"Liberty is not a means to a higher political end. It is the highest political end."*

Lord Acton

*"Laws control the lesser man, right conduct controls the greater man."*

Chinese proverb

*"It has been discovered that lawyers are the larval stage of politicians."* -- anonymous

On Iraq...

*"So you can try to kill an American if you must.... But, in doing so you will just be killing yourself. Because Americans are not a particular people from a particular place. They are the embodiment of the human spirit of freedom. Everyone who holds to that spirit, everywhere, is an American."*

Conclusion of an anonymous letter circulated on the internet by an Australian

*"If you ... study what U.S. military spokesmen said about how [recent military] conflicts were going at each stage, you'll see that they were right, and that they told the truth, by and large."*

Brit Hume, The American Media in Wartime, *Imprimis*, June 2003

*"Here the country had finally given liberals a war against fundamentalism and [the liberals] don't want to fight it. They would have, except it would put them on the same side as the United States."*

Ann Coulter, in her book *Slander*

*"Read George Bush's major speeches -- and nothing else -- and nothing he does will come as a surprise to you. Like Babe Ruth pointing to the stands before hitting his home run, Bush clearly indicates in advance exactly what he will do."*

David Frum, in *The Right Man*