

# Sotomayor's proposed multiculturalism

During a recent talk at Brooklyn Law School, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor expressed, "It is important that we have greater diversity on the Supreme Court" and, "I, for one, do think there is a disadvantage from having (five) Catholics, three Jews, every one from an Ivy League school."

Sotomayor is both a Catholic and an Ivy League school graduate. With regards to her reference of the popularized concept of multiculturalism, I wonder, could this perceivably be a good thing for American Government?

You might not realize it, but this is a very important question.

The current "politically correct" viewpoint argues that pluralism – the acceptance and celebration of differing religions, philosophies and ideologies – contributes to the strength of America. Though diversity of culture and backgrounds is the beauty of America, antagonism towards our Christian foundation is not.

You can see this "modern pluralism" at work in the widespread attempt to sanitize schools, courts and courthouses, and public buildings and places, of any reference to God, Christ and the Bible.

This agenda is based on the notion that we are a more stable, prosperous society because we embrace diversity, toleration and acceptance of anything and everything.

But is this true? Those who founded and fought for our American culture and our American form of government didn't think so. In fact they had a very different view.

You are probably familiar with the name of Samuel F. B. Morse. He was the inventor who developed the Morse Code.

But his father, Jedidiah Morse was a pretty famous person as well. A Yale graduate, he was an educator who is still known as the "Father of American Geography".

Here's what he said about the importance of Christianity to the culture and the administration of government:

"To the kindly influence of Christianity we owe that degree of civil freedom, and political and social happiness which mankind now enjoys. In proportion as the genuine effects of Christianity are diminished in any nation, either through unbelief, or the corruption of its doctrines, or the neglect of its institutions; in the same proportion will the people of that nation recede from the blessings of genuine freedom, and approximate the miseries of complete despotism."

Was Jedidiah Morse right about this?

Asked another way, how is this multiculturalism working out for our culture?

As we see the role of Christianity diminished in our country – as we see our institutions abandon or corrupt its doctrine – are things getting better or worse for us?

When we eliminate biblical standards – When paganism or immoral philosophies of other religions are considered protected, do we have greater freedom?

If Morse was right, America is in trouble.

Our Founding generation fought and died for something. If we now believe that there is nothing that is wrong, then what did they fight against and what did they die for?

Or did they know something we have forgotten?

Psalm 33:12 reminds us, as it informed them, “Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord”.

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