

Presidential Quotes

George Washington:

“He was a sincere believer in the Christian faith and a truly devout man.”

{Quote by John Marshall [Revolutionary General, Secretary of State, U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice]}

"To the character of hero and patriot, this good man added that of Christian. Although the greatest man upon earth, he disdained not to humble himself before his God and **to trust in the mercies of Christ.**"

{Quote by Gunning Bedford, signer of the Constitution}

“The name of American, belongs to you...[and] with slight shades of difference, you have the same religion.”

--George Washington in his [Farewell Address](#) to the American people, Paragraph 10; September 17, 1796 | [photo of farewell address](#)

“What students would learn in American schools above all is the religion of Jesus Christ.”

--George Washington in a speech to the Delaware Indian Chiefs May 12, 1779

"It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and Bible."

"It is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favors."

"Is it necessary that any one should [ask], “Did General Washington avow himself to be a **believer in Christianity?**” As well may we question his patriotism, his heroic devotion to his country. His mottos were, "Deeds, not Words"; and, "For God and my Country." {Quote by Nelly Custis-Lewis, Washington's adopted daughter}

A Portion of George Washington's personal prayers:

“O Most Glorious God, in **Jesus Christ**, my merciful and loving Father; I acknowledge and confess my guilt in the weak and imperfect performance of the duties of this day. I have called on Thee for pardon and forgiveness of my sins, but so coldly and carelessly that my prayers are become my sin, and they stand in need of pardon.”

“ I have sinned against heaven and before Thee in thought, word, and deed. I have contemned Thy majesty and holy laws. I have likewise sinned by omitting what I ought to have done and committing what I ought not. I have rebelled against the light, despising Thy mercies and judgment, and broken my vows and promise. I have neglected the better things. My iniquities are multiplied and my sins are very great. I confess them, O Lord, with shame and sorrow, detestation and loathing and desire to be vile in my own eyes as I have rendered myself vile in Thine. I humbly beseech Thee to be merciful to me in the free pardon of my sins for the sake of Thy dear Son and **only Savior Jesus Christ** who

came to call not the righteous, but sinners to repentance. Thou gavest Thy Son to die for me.”

"Make me to know what is acceptable in Thy sight, and therein to delight, open the eyes of my understanding, and help me thoroughly to examine myself concerning my knowledge, faith, and repentance, increase my faith, and direct me to the true object, ***Jesus Christ the Way, the Truth, and the Life, ...***"
[from a 24 page authentic handwritten manuscript book dated April 21-23, 1752]

John Adams:

“The general principles upon which the Fathers achieved independence were the general principles of Christianity...I will avow that I believed and now believe that those general principles of Christianity are as eternal and immutable as the existence and the attributes of God.”

[June 28, 1813; Letter to Thomas Jefferson]

“We recognize no Sovereign but God, and no King but Jesus!”

[April 18, 1775, on the eve of the Revolutionary War after a British major ordered John Adams, John Hancock, and those with them to disperse in “the name of George the Sovereign King of England.”]

• “[July 4th] ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty.”

[letter written to Abigail on the day the Declaration was approved by Congress]

"We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Avarice, ambition, revenge, or gallantry, would break the strongest cords of our Constitution as a whale goes through a net. **Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.**" --October 11, 1798

Thomas Jefferson

“The doctrines of Jesus are simple, and tend to all the happiness of man.”

“Of all the systems of morality, ancient or modern which have come under my observation, none appears to me so pure as that of Jesus.”

"I am a real Christian, that is to say, a disciple of the doctrines of Jesus." *[Letter to Benjamin Rush April 21, 1803]*

“God who gave us life gave us liberty. And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are a gift from God? That they are not to be violated but with His wrath?”

Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just, and that His justice cannot sleep forever." [Notes on the State of Virginia, 1781]

"It [the Bible] is a document in proof that I am a real Christian, that is to say, a disciple of the doctrines of Jesus."

[Jan 9, 1816 Letter to Charles Thomson]

Jefferson on the Judiciary branch:

"The Constitution is a mere thing of wax in the hands of the judiciary, which they may twist and shape into any form they please." [Sept 6, 1819]

"You seem to consider the judges as the ultimate arbiters of all constitutional questions; a very dangerous doctrine indeed, and one which would place us under the despotism of an oligarchy...The Constitution has erected no such single tribunal...knowing that to whatever hands confided, with corruptions of time and party, its members would become despots." [Sept 28, 1820 letter to William Jarvis]

"The germ of dissolution of our federal government is in the constitution of the federal Judiciary."

James Madison

At the Constitutional Convention of 1787, James Madison proposed the plan to divide the central government into three branches. He discovered this model of government from the Perfect Governor, as he read

Isaiah 33:22;

**"For the LORD is our judge, [judicial]
the LORD is our lawgiver, [legislative]
the LORD is our king; [executive]
He will save us."**

Baron Charles Montesquieu wrote "*The Spirit of the Laws*", a book that was read and studied intently by our Founders. *Montesquieu wrote in 1748;* "Nor is there liberty if the power of judging is not separated from legislative power and from executive power. If it [the power of judging] were joined to legislative power, the power over life and liberty of the citizens would be arbitrary, for the judge would be the legislature if it were joined to the executive power, the judge could have the force of an oppressor. All would be lost if the same ... body of principal men ... exercised these three powers." Madison claimed Isaiah 33:22 as the source of division of power in government.

- In 1812, President Madison signed a federal bill which economically aided the Bible Society of Philadelphia in its goal of the mass distribution of the Bible.

"An Act for the relief of the Bible Society of Philadelphia" Approved February 2, 1813 by Congress

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On April 20, 1816, Congress also approved relief for the Baltimore and Massachusetts Bible Societies!

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Who did President Madison thank and trust during his First Inaugural Address?

"...we have all been encouraged to feel in the guardianship and guidance of that Almighty Being whose power regulates the destiny of nations, whose blessings have been so conspicuously dispensed to this rising Republic, and to whom we are bound to address our devout gratitude for the past, as well as our fervent supplications and best hopes for the future."

With regards to the Judiciary department and laws:

"As the courts are generally the last in making the decision [on laws], it results to them, by refusing or not refusing to execute a law, to stamp it with its final character. This makes the Judiciary department paramount in fact to the Legislature, *which was never intended, and can never be proper.*"

[Oct 15, 1788]

James Monroe

"I enter on the trust to which I have been called by the suffrage of my fellow-citizens with **my fervent prayers to the Almighty** that He will be graciously pleased to continue to us that protect which He has already so conspicuously displayed in our favor." [*First Inaugural Address, March 4, 1817*]

"With a firm reliance on the protection of Almighty God, I shall forthwith commence the duties of the high trust to which you have called me." [*Second Inaugural Address--for his second term--March 5, 1821*]

"For these blessings **we owe to Almighty God**, from whom we derive them, and with profound reverence, our most grateful and unceasing acknowledgments....That these blessings may be preserved and perpetuated will be the object of my fervent and unceasing prayers to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe." [*Eighth Annual Address to Congress, December 7, 1824*]

John Quincy Adams

Sixth President of the United States

"The HellHound of Slavery"

US Senator

Negotiated treaty to end the war of 1812

"The highest glory of the American Revolution was this; it connected in one indissoluble bond the principles of civil government with the principles of **Christianity**." [July 4th, 1821]

From the day of the Declaration [of Independence]...they [the American people] were bound by the laws of God, which they all, and by the laws of The Gospel they nearly all, acknowledge as the rules of their conduct." [July 4th, 1821]

"Why is it that, next to the birthday of **the Savior of the world**, your most joyous and most venerated festival returns on this day [the Fourth of July]?" "Is it not that, in the chain of human events, the birthday of the nation is indissolubly linked with the birthday of the Savior? That it forms a leading event in the progress of the Gospel dispensation? Is it not that the Declaration of Independence first organized the social compact on the foundation of **the Redeemer's mission** upon earth? That it laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of **Christianity**?" [July 4th, 1837 when he delivered a Fourth of July speech at Newburyport, Massachusetts]

"So great is my veneration for the Bible that the earlier my children begin to read it the more confident will be my hope that they will prove useful citizens of their country and respectable members of society. I have for many years made it a practice to **read through the Bible** once every year."

Andrew Jackson

"Go to the Scriptures...the joyful promises it contains will be a balsam to all your troubles. That book...**is the rock on which our republic rests.**"

"Sir, I am in the hands of a merciful God. I have full confidence in His goodness and mercy...The Bible is true. I have tried to conform to its spirit as near as possible. Upon that sacred volume I rest my hope for eternal salvation, through the merits and blood of our blessed Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ."
[May 29th, 1845, just a few weeks before he died]

"The Bible is the Rock on which this Republic rests." --Andrew Jackson

Martin Van Buren

"The atonement of Jesus Christ is the only remedy and rest for my soul." [1862 during his final illness]

"Beyond that I only look to the gracious protection of the Divine Being whose strengthening support I humbly solicit, and whom I fervently pray to look down upon us all. May it be among the dispensations of His providence to bless our beloved country with honors and with length of days. May her ways be ways of pleasantness and all her paths be peace!" [March 4, 1837 Inaugural Address]

James Polk

"Under the benignant **providence of Almighty God** the representatives of the States and of the people are again brought together to deliberate for the public good. The *gratitude of the nation to the Sovereign Arbiter of All Human Events* should be commensurate with the boundless blessings which we enjoy." --{4th Annual Message to Congress; December 5, 1848}

"Under the blessings of Divine Providence ... It becomes us in humility to make our devout acknowledgments to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for the inestimable civil and religious blessings with which we are favored."--{1st Annual Message to Congress; December 2, 1845}

"I now commend you, fellow-citizens, to the guidance of **Almighty God**, with a full reliance on His merciful providence for the maintenance of our free institutions, and with an earnest supplication that whatever errors it may be my lot to commit in discharging the arduous duties which have devolved on me will find a remedy in the harmony and wisdom of your counsels."

{James Polk quoting [Andrew Jackson](#) in his 1st Annual Message to Congress; December 2, 1845}

President Polk quotes the Bible during conversation

Mrs. Polk was extremely popular. "Madam," said a prominent South Carolinian, at one of her receptions, "there is a woe pronounced against you in the Bible." On her inquiring his meaning, **[Mr. Polk] added: "The Bible says, 'Woe unto you when all men shall speak well of you.'"** [Luke 6:26]--{1887 Appletons' Encyclopedia}

President Zachary Taylor

"In conclusion I congratulate you, my fellow-citizens, upon the high state of prosperity to which **the goodness of Divine Providence** has conducted our common country. Let us invoke a continuance of the same protecting care which has led us from small beginnings to the eminence we this day occupy" --Inaugural Address, March 5, 1849

"I accept with gratitude and pleasure your gift of this inestimable Volume. **It was for love of the truths of this great Book that our fathers abandoned their native shores for the wilderness.** Animated by its lofty principles they toiled and suffered till the desert blossomed as a rose.

The same truths sustained them in their resolutions to become a free nation; and guided by the wisdom of this Book they founded a government under which we have grown from three million to more than twenty millions of people, and from being but a stock on the borders of this continent we have spread from the Atlantic to the Pacific."

President Millard Fillmore

On July 8, 1850, Fillmore was presiding over the Senate when a message was handed to him. President Taylor, who had been stricken by a stomach disorder, was dying in the White House. It was approaching midnight on July 9 when there came the dreaded knocking at Fillmore's door at Willard's Hotel. A note from the cabinet told him "Zachary Taylor is no more."

"I have no language to express the emotions of my heart," Fillmore responded. "The shock is so sudden and unexpected, I am overwhelmed."

The following morning Fillmore wrote out his first official contact with Congress as president-to-be. "I have to perform the melancholy duty of announcing to you that it has pleased **Almighty God** to remove from this life Zachary Taylor. . . . I propose this day at twelve o'clock . . . in the presence of both Houses of Congress, to take the oath prescribed by the Constitution."

May God save the country, for it is evident that the people will not.--*Millard Fillmore*

"God knows that I detest slavery, but it is an existing evil, for which we are not responsible, and we must endure it, till we can get rid of it without destroying the last hope of free government in the world."--*Millard Fillmore*

Abraham Lincoln

"In regards to this great Book (the Bible),
I have but to say it is the best gift God has given to man.
All the good the Saviour gave to the world was communicated through this Book.
But for it we could not know right from wrong.
All things most desirable for man's welfare, here and hereafter, are found portrayed
in it." -- *Abraham Lincoln*

"I believe I am an humble servant in the hands of our Heavenly Father;
I desire that all my words and acts may be according to His will." -- *Abraham
Lincoln*

Proclamation Appointing a National Fast Day

*Washington, D.C.
March 30, 1863*

**By the President of the United States of America.
A Proclamation.**

Whereas, the Senate of the United States, devoutly recognizing the Supreme Authority and just Government of Almighty God, in all the affairs of men and of nations, has, by a resolution, requested the President to designate and set apart a day for National prayer and humiliation.

And whereas it is the duty of nations as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions, in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that *genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord.*

And, insomuch as we know that, by His divine law, nations like individuals are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world, may we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war, which now desolates the land, may be but a punishment, inflicted upon us, for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole People? We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. *But we have forgotten God.* We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. **Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us!**

It behooves us then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.

Now, therefore, in compliance with the request, and fully concurring in the views of the Senate, I do, by this my proclamation, designate and set apart Thursday, the 30th. day of April, 1863, as a day of national humiliation, fasting and prayer. And I do hereby request all the People to abstain, on that day, from their ordinary secular pursuits, and to unite, at their several places of public worship and their respective homes, in keeping the day holy to the Lord, and devoted to the humble discharge of the religious duties proper to that solemn occasion.

All this being done, in sincerity and truth, let us then rest humbly in the hope authorized by the Divine teachings, that the united cry of the Nation will be heard on high, and answered with blessings, no less than the pardon of our national sins, and the restoration of our now divided and suffering Country, to its former happy condition of unity and peace.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this thirtieth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the United States the eighty seventh.

By the President: Abraham Lincoln
William H. Seward, Secretary of State.

Ulysses S. Grant

"My advice to Sunday Schools no matter what their denomination is: Hold fast to the Bible as the sheet anchor of your liberties; write its precepts in your heart, and practice them in your lives. To the influence of this Book we are indebted for the progress made in true civilization and to this we must look as our guide in the future. 'Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people (Proverbs 14:34)'."

"The Bible is the sheet-anchor of our liberties

Grover Cleveland

In a letter to Rev. Wilton Merle Smith, March 21, 1906

"I have quite often, lately, found myself longing for the rest of idleness, and and the peace of inactivity; and I have sometimes even given entrance to the thought that these were my due. But you have written words to me that will help me to constantly appreciate the fact that **God who has blessed me above all other men, and directed all my ways, deserves my service**, and every good cause deserves my best endeavour, as

long as my life and strength shall last.

" I know as no one else can know my limitations, and how fixed and inexorable they are . . . **but I shall trust God, as I have in the past**, for strength and opportunity for further usefulness."

Grover Cleveland's daughter died on January 6, 1904

These are entries from his diary after her death.

" I had a season of great trouble in keeping out of my mind the idea that Ruth was in the cold, cheerless grave instead of in **the arms of her Saviour**." -- 10 January 1904

" It seems to me I mourn our darling Ruth's death more and more. So much of the time I can only think of her as dead, not joyfully living in heaven." -- 11 January 1904

" **God has come to my help** and I am able to adjust my thought to dear Ruth's death with as much comfort as selfish humanity will permit." -- **15 January 1904**

"And let us not trust to human effort alone, but **humbly acknowledging the power and goodness of Almighty God, who presides over the destiny of nations, and who has at all times been revealed in our country's history**, let us invoke His aid and His blessings upon our labors." [First Inaugural Address. March 4, 1885]

"Above all, I know there is a Supreme Being who rules the affairs of men and whose goodness and mercy have always followed the American people, and I know He will not turn from us now if we humbly and reverently seek His powerful aid." [Second Inaugural Address. March 4, 1893]

Grover Cleveland

on polygamy

"...polygamy in the Territories, destructive of the family relation and offensive to the moral sense of the civilized world, shall be repressed."

[First Inaugural Address. March 4, 1885]

Theodore Roosevelt:

Every thinking man, when he thinks, realizes that the teachings of **the Bible** are so interwoven and entwined with our whole civic and social life that it would be literally impossible for us to figure ourselves what that life would be if these standards were removed. We would lose almost all the standards by which we now judge both public and private morals, all the standards which we, with more or less resolution, strive to raise ourselves.”

Theodore Roosevelt's published works were found to contain over 4,200 Biblical images, inferences, and quotations. His unpublished letters contained thousands more.

[James Lever, *"The Roosevelt Mythos"* 1923. p 191]

In 1917, when American troops were preparing to sail across the seas in order to take to the battlefields of France and Belgium in the first World War, the New York Bible Society asked Theodore Roosevelt to inscribe a message in the pocket New Testament that each of the soldiers would be given. The great man happily complied. And he began by giving a striking Biblical call for a life of balance, what he called *Micah mandate*. "He has shown you, O man, what is good and what the Lord requires of you, but to do justice and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God" *Micah 6:8*

Saying that the whole teaching of the New Testament is actually foreshadowed in Micah's verse, he exhorted the men to **"lead the world in both word and deed through unimpeachable moral uprightness."**

In his brief message to the soldiers he explained, "Do justice, and therefore fight valiantly against those that stand for the reign of Moloch and Beelzebub on this Earth. Love mercy, treat your enemies well, succor the afflicted, treat every woman as if she were your sister, care for the little children, and be tender with the old and helpless. Walk humbly, you will do so if you **study the life and teachings of the Saviour**, walking in His steps."

"A thorough knowledge of the Bible is worth more than a college education."

"The eighth commandment says, 'Thou shalt not steal.' It does not say 'Thou shalt not steal from the rich,' and it does not say 'Thou shalt not steal from the poor man.' It reads simply and plainly 'Thou shalt not steal.'

"Fear God in the true sense of the word means to love God, respect God, honor God, and all of this can only be done by loving your neighbor, treating him justly and mercifully and in all ways endeavoring to protect him from injustice and cruelty, thus obeying, as far as our human frailty will permit, the great immutable law of righteousness."

"It does so rest my soul to come into the house of the Lord and worship, and to sing and to mean it, the Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, and to know that He is my Father

and takes me up in His life and plans, **and to commune personally with Christ**. I am sure I get a wisdom not my own, and superhuman strength, for fighting the moral evils I am called to confront.”

Theodore Roosevelt knew Biblical Greek!

When Theodore Roosevelt was president of the United States, he went to a Dutch Reform Church in Washington. The pastor spoke in German and was speaking on charity from 1 Cor 13.

After the message was over, Theodore Roosevelt went up to the pastor privately and showed him from the Greek text that the word “charity” was “love.”

Theodore Roosevelt on "going to church"

“On Sunday, **go to church**. Yes, I know all the excuses. I know that one can worship the Creator and dedicate oneself to good living in a grove of trees, or by a running brook, or in one's own house, just as well as in Church.

“ But I also know as a matter of cold fact that the average man does not thus worship or thus himself. If he stays away from Church, he does not spend his time in good works or lofty meditation.

“ He looks over the colored supplement of the newspaper, he yawns, and he finally seeks relief from the mental vacuity of isolation by going where the combined mental vacuity of many partially relieves the mental vacuity of each particular individual.”

– Theodore Roosevelt, *The Ladies Home Journal*, Oct 1913

Woodrow Wilson:

“The sum of the whole matter is this, that our civilization cannot survive materially unless it be redeemed spiritually. It can be saved only by becoming permeated with the **spirit of Christ** and being made free and happy by the practices which spring out of that spirit.”

"America was born a **Christian nation**, America was born to exemplify that devotion to the elements of righteousness which are derived from the revelations of Holy Scripture."

"When you have read the Bible, you will know it is **the Word of God**, because you will have found it the key to your own heart, your own happiness, and your own duty."

Calvin Coolidge:

"The foundation of our society and our government rests so much on **the teaching of the Bible** that it would be difficult to support them if faith in these teachings would cease to be practically universal in our country."

*A selection from Calvin Coolidge's Inaugural Address
March 4, 1925*

The past and present show faith and hope and courage fully justified. Here stands our country, an example of tranquillity at home, a patron of tranquillity abroad. **Here stands its Government**, aware of its might but obedient to its conscience. Here it will continue to stand, seeking peace and prosperity, solicitous for the welfare of the wage earner, promoting enterprise, developing waterways and natural resources, attentive to the intuitive counsel of womanhood, encouraging education, *desiring the advancement of religion*, supporting the cause of justice and honor among the nations. America seeks no earthly empire built on blood and force. No ambition, no temptation, lures her to thought of foreign dominions. **The legions which she sends forth are armed, not with the sword, but with the cross.** The higher state to which she seeks the allegiance of all mankind is not of human, but of divine origin. She cherishes no purpose save to merit the favor of Almighty God.

**Selection from President Coolidge's Address dedicating a monument of General
George Gordon Meade
Washington, D.C., October 19, 1927**

"Throughout his life General Meade was a man of deep religious conviction. When he entered the service he said, **"I go into the field...trusting to God to dispose of my life and actions in accordance with my daily prayer that His will, not mine, shall be done."** Throughout his entire military career he constantly acted in harmony with that sentiment. Time and again, in his letters and statements, he acknowledged his dependence upon Divine Providence."

Herbert Hoover:

"The whole inspiration of our civilization springs from the teachings of Christ and the lessons of the prophets. To read the Bible for these fundamentals is a necessity of American life."

"Menaced by collectivist trends, we must seek revival of our strength in the spiritual foundations which are the bedrock of our republic. Democracy is the outgrowth of the religious conviction of the sacredness of every human life. On the religious side, **its**

highest embodiment is the Bible; on the political side, the Constitution." [1943 joint statement]

"This occasion is not alone the administration of the most sacred oath which can be assumed by an American citizen. **It is a dedication and consecration under God** to the highest office in service of our people. I assume this trust in the humility of knowledge that only through the guidance of Almighty Providence can I hope to discharge its ever-increasing burdens. I ask help of Almighty God in this service." [March 4, 1929 inaugural address]

"What the world needs today is a definite, spiritual mobilization of the nations who believe in God against the tide of Red agnosticism. It needs a moral mobilization against the hideous ideas of the police state and human slavery. And in rejecting an atheistic other world, I am confident that the Almighty God will be with us." [April 27, 1950 radio address]

Franklin Delano Roosevelt

We cannot read the history of our rise and development as a nation, without reckoning with the place **the Bible** has occupied in shaping the advances of the Republic. Where we have been the truest and most consistent in obeying its precepts, we have attained the greatest measure of contentment and prosperity."

["fireside chat" radio broadcast, 1935]

"As Commander-in-Chief, I take pleasure in commending the reading of the Bible to all who serve in the armed forces of the United States. Throughout the centuries men of many faiths and diverse origins have found in the Sacred Book words of wisdom, counsel, and inspiration. It is a fountain of strength and now, as always, an aid in attaining the highest aspirations of the human soul." [As written by President Roosevelt; Prologue to Gideon New testaments given to soldiers in WWII]

Harry S. Truman:

"The fundamental basis of this nation's laws was given to Moses on the Mount. The fundamental basis of our Bill of Rights comes from the teachings we get from Exodus and Saint Matthew, from Isaiah and Saint Paul. I don't think we emphasize that enough these days. If we don't have a proper fundamental moral background, we will finally end up with a totalitarian government which does not believe in rights for anybody except the State!"

Ronald Reagan:

"Within the covers of the Bible are all the answers for all the problems men face. The Bible can touch hearts, order minds, and refresh souls."

"Indeed, it is an indisputable fact that all the complex and horrendous questions confronting us at home and worldwide have their answer in that single book [the Bible.]"

Regarding abortion:

"Our nation-wide policy of abortion on demand through all nine months of pregnancy was neither voted for by our people, nor enacted by our legislators--not a single state had such unrestricted abortion before the Supreme Court decreed it to be national policy in 1973. [It was] an act of raw judicial power"...

"We cannot diminish the value of one category"

George W. Bush:

When George W. Bush was asked to name the philosopher that had the greatest influence on his life, this was his answer: "**Christ**, because he changed my heart"

"I believe marriage is between a man and a woman, and I think we ought to codify that one way or another," ... "Yes, I am mindful that **we're all sinners**," the president said Wednesday when asked for his views on homosexuality. "And I caution those who may try to take the speck out of the neighbor's eye when they've got a log in their own." ... "I think it's very important for our society to respect each individual, to welcome those with good hearts, to be a welcoming country," Bush added. "On the other hand, that does not mean that somebody like me needs to compromise on an issue such as marriage."
[Thursday, July 31, 2003]

"I recognize that in the eyes of [the] Almighty, **I am a lowly sinner**, and I ask for strength and wisdom and I pray for calmness when the seas are storming, and I pray for others. I pray a lot for families who have lost a life. I went to Walter Reed [Army Medical Center], was struck by the braveness--bravery of our soldiers, and kind of got a quiet moment afterwards and prayed for them and their families.

The other thing about America that is amazing is a lot of people pray for me. Little old me. Seriously. And it's a powerful thought when you think about it. I'm not so sure how you translate that into would I behave differently or not, but it gives me strength and humility, to think others would take time to pray for me.

You know, my faith is an integral part of being who I am, and I'm not going to change." -
-George W. Bush [September 2003 in a FOX news interview with Brit Hume]

"In want or in plenty, in times of challenge or times of calm, we always have reasons to be thankful. America is a land of abundance, prosperity, and hope. ...This Thanksgiving, we again give thanks for all of our blessings and for the freedoms we enjoy every day. Our Founders thanked the Almighty and humbly sought His wisdom and blessing. May we always live by that same trust, and may God continue to watch over and bless the United States of America." --President George W. Bush

