

Mr. President, *Rebuild That Wall!*



I contemplate with sovereign reverence that act of the whole American people which declared that their legislature should make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, thus building a wall of separation between church and state.

—Thomas Jefferson

Dismantle Bush's disastrous "faith-based initiative"

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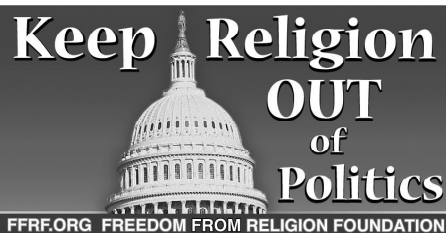
Government should run on facts, not faith. History shows that nothing is more divisive than religion in government. America was founded on the principle that it is tyrannical to force citizens to support religious worship or ministries in which they disbelieve.

Needy Americans deserve practical assistance from government-funded agencies, not proselytizing and prayers. Congress wisely never approved Bush's faith-based scheme. A Government Accountability Office report showed widespread abuse and little, if any, oversight. Where public money goes, public accountability should follow.

Please return to the historic policy of limiting the funding of religious agencies to those which create secular arms, keep separate books, do not discriminate in hiring and services or expose a captive audience to religion.

Use your mandate of change to restore respect for our nation's secular principles and freedom of conscience. Restore the Jeffersonian "wall of separation between church and state."

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