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WHEN THEY SAY WHAT GOD? YOU SAY MY GOD A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO ALL CHRISTIANS

I must say up front that I am the last person to tell anyone how to serve God; or believe in God. I have no right to even write the words of my own heart because of my own failure in life. You see, I have been in prison since 1995 and, yes, I do deserve to be in prison. My god was the streets and I lived for the streets. I lived a gang filled life that has brought so much pain and hurt to families that I do not even understand why God has seen fit to allow me to live. One day when I was about to just give up, to end my own life, God was looking down on me and had mercy. He sent His servant, Mr. Henry M. SoRelle, to the prison I was at to stop me from taking my own life. What I saw in this old man was something I had never seen before. I saw a peace, a love; someone who really and truly cared. He did not pull back on his words; he did not just tell me what I wanted to hear. He told me about his God. It was on that day back in 1995, on bended knees, that I gave my life to Christ. I began to study, to learn, to know God, to understand God and to trust Him in all things so I could honestly say, MY GOD. It is for this very reason that I now write to all Christians this very true story. Please read these words with a clear mind to fully understand what I mean when I say:

WHEN THEY SAY WHAT GOD? YOU SAY MY GOD.

I was sitting in the back of the Chapel going over some of the Bibles that I would be sending out to those who have asked for them. I overheard two Muslim men and two Christian men in a heated debate. The Muslim men were asking questions, they were quoting Scripture; they knew the Bible inside out and were able to put down any of the words the two Christian men had. These two men, I know carry their Bibles every day, but after listening to them lose this debate; I knew they did not study God's word. Because they were ashamed of not knowing God's words, they got upset and this is what caused the heated debate. 2 Timothy, Chapter 2 Verses 14-16 Remind them of these things, and solemnly charge THEM IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD not to wrangle about words, which is useless and leads to ruin of the hearers. BE DILIGENT

I was upset because as a Christian, no matter who we are talking to, no matter where we are, no mat-

ter the different beliefs; when anyone questions our belief and asks us what God, we should answer right back saying MY GOD

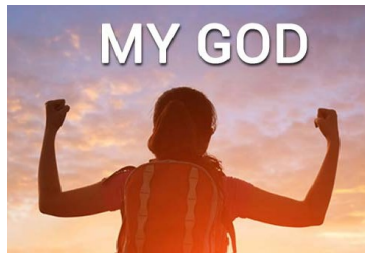
Daniel, Chapter 3

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego all served God and Him only. They were told that they had to bow down to the image of King Nebuchadnezzar. When

the three men refused, the King gave them one last chance, saying in verse 15, if you bow down all will be

well, but if you do not, what God is there to save you from my hands. All three men looked at the King and said in verse 17, if it be so, our God whom we serve will save us from the blazing fire.

A few months ago, on the streets of Chicago, 71 people were shot. Some were killed; some were wounded. One of the wounded was a 16 year old young lady who lived on the south side of Chicago. She was walking home when she was caught in the middle of blazing fire from different gangs. Connie was hit in the jaw, her legs and sides. Lying in the street, she did not understand why she was in the middle of this fire zone.



When she came to the hospital, a doctor was looking down at her and said, young lady you are very lucky. She looked at this doctor and said, no, doctor, I am not lucky; it was my God who saved me in the middle of the blazing firing of the guns. Can you see and feel her faith? There was a doctor saying she was lucky, but in her pain and misery she had her faith. This young 16 year old girl was able to say MY GOD.

So it is with all of us who say we believe in God. How can we say we believe if we do not study; how can we learn if our Bibles are on the shelf collecting dust? How can we know God, believe in God, and trust in God if we do not even read about our God. Here in prison I watch as some men who do not believe love to call out Christians and love to get them into debates. Why? Because as crazy as it sounds, those who do not believe seem to know the Bible better than those who carry their Bible everywhere they go. So I say to all Christians; know your Bible, know the Scriptures. Share what you know out of love, not anger, and when someone questions you about your God, when someone asks you what God can save you; you can look at them and say with power and conviction

MY GOD!

By-Alonzo D.



Humans on the Registry— By Timothy B. NARSOL

Since my conviction in 2004, I have actively studied the law. I have become an advocate for registrants and prisoners who are having issues with the criminal Justice system. I decided to make a change in the system for me and others.

I was convinced that my life was over as a result of my conviction. Moreover, I sure that I would never find another wife. The reality is that I found a wonderful wife, who supports me, in spite of this conviction. I would not have chosen the advocacy path, but the advocacy path is what made it easier for me to chan-

nel my energies and not only help myself but help others as well.

Taking the slow process of getting to the end of my lengthy sentence day by day, really helped me understand that there were a number of issues I needed to work on: patience, compassion, understanding and most of all, tolerance.

I have moved on to become the chairman of my town's local Water Board, and actively engaged in the local political scene. I am one of two registrants in the town I live in, and nobody has said anything about my past. As a result, I was elected to a position in a local County polit-

ical organization and on to a position on a State political organization as a representative from the County.

I served 5 years for my crimes. The reality is that one can let the conviction eat away at your soul, as it did for me for a brief period, or we can stand up and say, that is not who I am, that is what I did. It took me a long time to come around to realizing that I am more than my conviction. I am happy with where I landed: helping people, a wonderfully understanding wife, and work that I look forward to everyday.

We Love Your Letters But.....

We Love hearing from prison inmates and we are committed to answering you (them). However we often find ourselves trying to answer 10 or 20 letters in one day. They pile up fast when we have other things going. We are there-

fore asking you to please send us no more than one letter a month and no longer than one or two pages. We have tried to cope with 10 page letters written in light pencil. Our aging eyesight is having a problem! Thank you for helping us!



AL: CHILD SEX OFFENDER-CHEMICAL CASTRATION BILL SPONSOR STATE REP. HURST: 'IT SHOULD BE SURGICAL CASTRATION' — SOME OFFENDERS 'OUGHT TO DIE'

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Earlier this week, Gov. Kay Ivey signed HB 379 into law, which is a bill that will mandate so-called chemical castration for certain sex offenders as parole condition for early release.

The law received headlines all around the country, despite Alabama joining several states, which includes California, Louisiana and Florida, with chemical castration laws already on the books.

If the bill's sponsor had his way, it

would go much further. During an interview on Huntsville radio's WVNN, State Rep. Steve Hurst (R-Munford) explained his push for the legislation but added that he would prefer surgical castration or even death for some offenders.

"I did say this, and I still say this, and I've told the media, and I'll tell you – the way I look at it, it should be surgical castration," Hurst said on "The Jeff Poor Show." "But if somebody molest a small child, to be quite honest with you, they ought to die."





AK: SUPREME COURT DECLARES LAW REQUIRING ALL SEX OFFENDERS TO REGISTER UNCONSTITUTIONAL

June 14, 2019

The Alaska Supreme Court has ruled that the state's sex offender registry law violates offenders' right to due process.

In an opinion handed down Friday, the court — voting 3-2 — found the law requiring all offenders to register unconstitutional unless offenders are first given the opportunity to demonstrate they aren't a danger to the public.

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The High Court has spoken: Congress did not violate non-delegation clause

By Michael McKay . . . On Thursday, June 20, 2019, the U.S. Supreme Court rendered a 5-3 decision on *Gundy v. United States*, a ruling that says the U.S. attorney general's application of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act's (SORNA) registration requirements to offenders convicted even before the statute's enactment is not an unconstitutional delegation of legislative authority.

The majority opinion, by Justice Kagan, was joined by Justices Ginsburg, Breyer, and Sotomayor. Justice Alito filed a separate opinion concurring with the majority judgment. Justice Gorsuch filed a dissenting opinion, in which Chief Justice Roberts and Justice Thomas joined. Justice Kavanaugh took no part in the case.

The case was based on the notion that when the U.S. Congress enacted SORNA, they left many of the details of implementation up to the U.S. Attorney General. This allowed the AG to essentially make laws, a duty which is constitutionally supposed to be relegated to Congress. The Attorney General, who is the highest ranked law enforcement officer in the country, is charged with enforcing the laws as enacted by Congress, not writing laws. The so-called "nondelegation doctrine" was first established in a landmark 1928 decision, but the last time the United States Supreme Court invalidated a congressional

action on nondelegation grounds was in 1935 Justice Kagan, in her opinion, wrote:

Under that delegated authority, the Attorney General issued an interim rule in February 2007, specifying that SORNA's registration requirements apply in full to "sex offenders convicted of the offense for which registration is required prior to the enactment of that Act." 72 Fed. Reg. 8897. The final rule, issued in December 2010, reiterated that SORNA applies to all pre-Act offenders. 75 Fed. Reg. 81850. That rule has remained the same to this day. Petitioner Herman Gundy is a pre-Act offender. The year before SORNA's enactment, he pleaded guilty under Maryland law for sexually assaulting a minor. After his release from prison in 2012, Gundy came to live in New York. But he never registered there as a sex offender. A few years later, he was convicted for failing to register, in violation of §2250. He argued below (among other things) that Congress unconstitutionally delegated legislative power when it authorized the Attorney General to "specify the applicability" of SORNA's registration requirements to pre-Act offenders. §20913(d). The District Court and Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit rejected that claim, see 695 Fed. Appx. 639 (2017), as had every other court (including eleven Courts of Appeals) to consider the issue. We nonetheless granted certiorari. 583 U.

S. __ (2018). Today, we join the consensus and affirm.

Justice Gorsuch, in his dissenting opinion, wrote:

If Congress could pass off its legislative power to the executive branch, the "vesting clauses, and indeed the entire structure of the Constitution," would "make no sense." Without the involvement of representatives from across the country or the demands of bicameralism and presentment, legislation would risk becoming nothing more than the will of the current President. And if laws could be simply declared by a single person, they would not be few in number, the product of widespread social consensus, likely to protect minority interests, or apt to provide stability and fair notice.

Many criminal justice reform pundits saw the Gundy case as an attack on the "administrative state," and opined that if the Court were to find in favor of Gundy, the decision would potentially have had far-reaching implications that went far beyond just SORNA.

It is unfortunate that, in this instance, the Supreme Court has ruled against common sense and in favor of a policy that allows the Attorney General to essentially make up the laws as he goes, prosecuting those he will without the checks and balances purportedly



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Hebrew 13:3 - Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

Remember if you change your address you need to let us know if you want to continue to receive this newsletter



THE BABY JESUS STARTS TEETHING.

How To Feel Half Your Age -by Alice

DRIVE A RACE CAR AT 90? Why not? I really dreaded turning 90 so when I realized I had driven a race car 10 years ago I thought maybe I could do it again. I contacted the Mario Andretti racing school in Las Vegas and made a date to try again. Don and I drove over to Vegas, rented a motel and got out to the race track early in the morning since I had an appointment at 10:00. Meeting us there were old friends, Debbie and her daughter who had driven from California. They put me in a small Indy car and amazingly my feet wouldn't

adequately reach the pedals! Had I shrunk in 10 years? Then they popped me into a large Nas-car/stock car. They gave me a great push off, I starting moving down the track and with only two or three other cars driving around I quickly got the courage to step on the gas and circled the track about four times! It finally got to be fun! As you can see from the picture I had a great time. I am over worrying about being 90 and they told me I was a record holder going 132 miles an hour. So my fellow senior citizens, put on your jeans, get out there and show us your stuff!



DEAR AMAZING ARTISTS

—Thank you for beautiful pictures, amazing script, and other art we can't easily duplicate for our newsletter. We pray that while you are in prison you perfect your special talent. We communicate with very talented prisoners. We encourage you to forge ahead on taking all possible classes so that when released you will be qualified for a good job. In the meantime, our walls are sprouting with great art which we take with us to our annual Christmas party to be raffled off. Yes, we will try to make you famous!

Circle of Concern

Circle of Concern is aimed at breaking down isolation and fear by providing a safe place for registrants and their loved ones to get together, build community, and learn ways to step out and take charge of their lives and overcome the stigma

they face. The Circle of Concern is a group of concerned registered citizens, family and friends that meet together on the 3rd Sunday of each month. We are meeting this month on July 21, 2019 at 4 pm—6 pm. We will be having a potluck. We meet at Foothills Fellowship



Church, corner of Tramway and Candelaria on the far east side of Albuquerque. We encourage and try to help each other. It is a safe place to share our strengths and struggles. We hope you will join us. If you are planning to attend call Don at (505) 315-7940.