

Daily Meditation 07/08/2023

Justice, Injustice, More Moral Stench from the Supreme Court

Good morning.

Today we continue our meditations on the Supreme Court--decisions it makes, delivered this past week. Decisions that affect many, many Americans, multimillions of Americans--all of us eventually--some of them, most of them.

And it is a sad state of affairs, for sure.

And this morning, I talk about this latest scandal, that of the most recently appointed Supreme Court Judge, Amy Coney Barrett, who, it seems, has been giving lectures, paid lectures, four or five of them, to this hate group, Alliance Defending Freedom. (ADF)

They're anti-gay and anti-trans. And they actually supported--financially supported, legally supported this recent lawsuit by Laurie Smith, the webmaster in Colorado who sued because she said a man named Stewart was gay and demanded that she respond to his request to hire her as a webmaster for his gay wedding.

And this court, this lawsuit, believe it or not, went all the way up to the Supreme Court. And the Supreme Court, believe it or not, took her side of the story, and has now started a precedent for institutionalizing hate. That anyone can say, *Oh, my religion forbids this*, and be successful in suing people they don't like, whether they be gay, or whether they be people of color, or something else, I guess.

And the appalling thing is that this lady lied to everybody, that this Stewart she named isn't gay, has been married for 15 years, and he's a webmaster himself. He never approached her once asking for help. He doesn't need help; that's his business, too. Why would he need that?

So, this puts one of our Supreme Court judges, one of the youngest, and certainly the most recently appointed, right in the middle of a huge scandal. On top, of course, of all the other scandals, a few of which are listed in my meditation.

But to think that we have a Supreme Court judge who's made a living by lecturing, interacting over four times with a hate group, taking their money. And it's also been reported that she has not reported all the gifts, if you will, or the payments that she's received from this hate group, ADF.

I think we all deserve a response from her, as you do from all these other judges, of course, and their sense of privilege and aristocracy rarely respond to concerns.

And I'm not a lawyer, but I do know that judges are supposed to avoid appearances, even appearances of conflict. To me it's an obvious conflict when one is in bed with a hate group, goes there three, four, five times, makes money from them, and this very hate group sponsors an issue before the Supreme Court that is going to affect millions of people.

So many scandals from one court.

Thank you. We'll see you tomorrow.