

## **INDEPENDENCE, RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AND EDUCATION**

***IN BERNSTEIN'S (THOMAS JEFFERSON) HE BEGINS IN THE CEMETARY AT MONTICELLO: AN OBELISK OF GRAY STONE WHICH CITES 'AUTHOR OF DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, RELIGIOUS FREEDOM STATUTE, AND FATHER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA'....A DREAM THAT HAS SWEEPED THE WORLD; TO DENY GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY TO DICTATE WHAT PERSONS BELIEVE IN RELIGION; A UNIVERSITY ALLIED WITH NO RELIGION OR CHURCH, A PLACE WHERE THE MIND CAN GROW.***

***ONE WOULD THINK THAT PRESIDENT OBAMA WOULD ENDORSE AND SUBSCRIBE TO ALL OF THESE TENETS AS AN EDUCATED AND THINKING MAN, CERTAINLY FOR AMERICA AND STILL A CHALLENGE TO MUCH OF THE WORLD WITH EVIDENCE OF IRANIAN –WAS IT DISSENT, QUASI-REVOLUTION OR JUST RIOTERS ATTRIBUTED TO THE LIKES OF THE BRITISH AND THE GREAT SATAN, THE UNITED STATES- ANGER AT WHAT SEEMINGLY WAS A FRAUDULENT ELECTION. FROM THE TEPID RESPONSE BY OUR LEADER, YET MEASURED IN A WAY HE COULD BE BOTH FRIEND AND FOE AND AGAIN SUGGEST MORAL EQUIVALENCE AND RELATIVITY AS PART OF HIS LEXICON. SHADES OF JOHN KERRY AND HIS ORAL GYMNASTICS TO CHANGE AND SATISFY ALL AUDIENCES AND IDEOLOGIES.***

***IN SUM, JEFFERSON WANTED POSTERITY TO SEE HIM AS HE SAW HIMSELF, AS SPOKESMAN OF A REVOLUTION OF IDEAS THAT WOULD MAKE THE WORLD OVER AGAIN. IS THERE SOME OF JEFFERSON IN OBAMA, PERHAPS AND THAT WOULD MAKE HAPPY HIS FOLLOWERS, ESPECIALLY THE YOUNG, IMPETUOUS AND HUNGRY FOR THE EXCITEMENT OF BEING PART OF THE OBAMA ENTOURAGE AND NEW HISTORY- MAKING TO REPLACE THE STALE AND DECADENT IDEOLOGIES OF THE NEVER-CHANGING CONSERVATIVES. IS THIS MAN UNIQUE, BRILLIANT, AND DOES HE AUGUR WELL FOR THE FUTURE? WE KNOW HE IS PROFESSIONAL, A GIFTED ORATOR, A NEAR-CELEBRITY, WITH A***

*LITANY OF IDEAS WHICH EITHER BODE WELL OR ILL FOR THE ECONOMY, OUR FINANCIAL MARKETS, AND QUASI-SOCIALISM IN THE GUISE OF ROOSEVELT THAT WOULD GIVE US A MYRIAD OF PROGRAMS VIA THE MONEY TREE AND ARGUE CAPITALISM IS THE ROOT OF EVIL AND GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION, SALVATION. "A GOVERNMENT FAILURE, NOT A MARKET FAILURE ARGUES JOHN MAKIN IN COMMENTARY WHERE ROOTS WERE IN GOVERNMENT ACTIONS THAT HAVE DISTORTED AND OBSCURED THE NATURE OF HOME OWNERSHIP." EVEN HOOVER ALLUDED TO THIS. OPENING THE DOORS TO THOSE WHO COULD NOT AFFORD A HOME, NO DOWN PAYMENT, AND RELAXED SUPERVISION LED TO A SERIES OF GET-RICH SCHEMES FOR INVESTORS AND THE COLLAPSE OF THE HOUSING MARKET.*

*MORE WORRISOME IS THE OBAMA 'OPEN DOOR' PERHAPS RECKLESS OVERTURE TO THE MILITANT ISLAMIC REGIMES WHOSE RELIGION IS THE GOVERNMENT IN MOST OF THE MID-EAST WITH NO COMPROMISE, AND NO ALTERNATIVE. MOHAMMED LED THE WAY FOR CONVERTS AND THE OPPORTUNITY WAS OPEN TO INFIDELS AND BELIEVERS, WHO OPTED TO JOIN, NOT PAY TAXES AND SURVIVE. SHARI'A – BODY OF LAWS AND PRECEPTS IS THE FOUNDATION AND 'PILLARS OF ISLAM' PROVIDES A RITUAL OF BELIEF IN ALLAH(GOD), DAILY PRAYERS, TITHES, FAST(RAMADAN) HAJJ(PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA) AND JIHAD(EXTEND THE BOUNDS OF ISLAM). ISLAM IS RELIGION, BELIEF AND NATION COLLECTIVELY. THESE ARE TRUE BELIEVERS.*

*OBAMA NEGLECTS MILITANT ISLAM, AND WHY?  
THE CRUCIBLE WILL BE HOW HE LEADS US OR MISLEADS US IN THE ONGOING FIGHT AGAINST MILITANT ISLAM OF AL-QAEDA, TALIBAN, HAMAS AND HEZBOLLAH. SITTING DOWN FOR TEA AND AN INTELLECTUAL DISCUSSION OF THE MERITS OF THESE TERROR ORGANIZATION BEGGARS THE IMAGINATION. WHAT OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION MR. PRESIDENT? JEFFERSON HAD HIS PROBLEMS WITH WAR, PRESIDENTIAL DECISIONS AND MAYBE THIS IS THE REASON HE LEFT THESE PROBLEMS FOR POSTERITY RATHER THAN HIGHLIGHTING SOME ON HIS TOMBSTONE.*

