

DOJ NEEDS TO PROBE ANTIFA'S ANTI-CHRISTIAN RIOT

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A group of Christians hold a pro-family rally in Seattle and are attacked by Antifa anarchists for doing so.

This is exactly the kind of incident that President Trump's Commission on Religious Liberty needs to investigate. He set up a task force on anti-Christian bias, and the Catholic League has been working with this unit, supplying documentation and other information. We are contacting their lawyers today.

On Saturday, May 24, a Christian pro-family group, Mayday USA, held one of its [#DontMessWithOurKids rallies in Seattle](#). They were there to combat the radical transgender movement which is exploiting vulnerable young people. It didn't take long before they were assaulted by the counter-protesters.

The Antifa counter-protesters wore their signature [black-clad garb and masks, and some exposed themselves publicly](#). The pro-family rally was held in Cal Anderson Park, in the heart of the LGBTQ community. The mayor, Bruce Harrell, a Democrat, blamed the pro-family group, saying they "[inspired violence](#)," yet all 23 of those arrested were from the [Antifa-led counter-protesters](#). Moreover, the rally's organizers said they never wanted this venue, arguing that they tried to hold their event in a [different neighborhood](#).

The pro-LGBTQ anarchists waved transgender flags and threw [water bottles and other objects at the police](#). [Some jumped the police barrier](#) and assaulted the cops; [one officer was taken to a hospital for treatment](#). They called their protest "Keep Your Bibles Off Our Bodies," saying their goal was to fight "[fascist family values](#)."

One of the pastors who led the pro-family rally, [Russell Johnson](#), wrote on X that the Seattle mayor “owes Christians in WA State an apology for his bigoted remarks after folks who were holding a peaceful worship event at Cal Anderson Park were violently assaulted for the high crime of expressing their deeply held religious beliefs in the form of a permitted worship event on city property.”

Anti-Christian violence needs to be condemned and those responsible for it must be brought to justice. The Department of Justice is empowered to address this incident and it is our hope that they will do so with dispatch. They can begin by questioning the mayor, asking him to explain why he was more condemnatory of the non-violent protesters than he was the violent extremists who went on a rampage.