

ELITES IGNITE ANTI-CHRISTIAN HYSTERIA

Catholic League president William Donohue says that an anti-Christian hysteria has gripped the nation's cultural elites. Consider the following recently published comments:

- * Robert Wright, visiting professor at Princeton, says Bush's "divine-feeling feelings" are part of today's "problem, not the solution."
- * A *New York Times* editorial says if Bush wins again, he will appoint judges that will allow states to become "mini-theocracies."
- * David Domke, a University of Washington professor, says "one is hard pressed" to distinguish between Osama bin Laden's religious views and Bush's.
- * NYU professor Mark Crispin Miller says Bush wants a "theocracy."
- * USC professor Neal Gabler says Bush's ideas are "the stuff of a theocracy—the president as pope or mullah."
- * Yale emeritus professor Harold Bloom fears if Bush is reelected, we could be faced with a "theocracy, an eventual tyranny of the twice-born."
- * Robert Kuttner of the *American Prospect* says Bush "seems to want to move the United States towards a theocracy."
- * Journalist James Ridgeway says, "Bush's goal is to blur the lines separating church and state and turn the U.S. toward theocracy."
- * Brian Rusche, director of the Minnesota Joint Religious Coalition, implores the faithful to remember, "We don't want a

theocracy.” Similarly, S. Michele Fry of the *Contra Costa Times* and Linda Valdez of the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* both admonish readers to keep their guard up, remembering that “America is not a theocracy.”

NOTE: The letters-to-the-editor sections of most newspapers are rife with such examples. Thus have our cultural elites ignited a wave of anti-Christian hysteria.