

# SPINMEISTERS                      TOY                      WITH RELIGION

Catholic League president Bill Donohue notes several attempts to spin the truth about religion in today's news reports:

- "The Holocaust is nothing but a superstition" opines another one of those Grand Ayatollahs from Iran, proving once again that education is no cure for evil.
- The Grand Narcissist, Stephen Hawking, strains to tell us in his new book that he's figured out a complicated theory—which "is not a theory in the usual sense"—that conveniently confirms his longstanding atheism.
- It's nice to know that in the home of Kings and Queens, critics of the papal trip to England are accusing the pope of governing an institutional church that is "too monarchical."
- Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf writes an article wondering what all the fuss is about regarding the building of a mosque near Ground Zero, but never mentions the word "mosque." Instead, he says there will be "separate prayer spaces for Muslims, Christians, Jews and men and women of other faiths." Can't wait to see what the Catholic "prayer space" will look like. And if someone decides to switch religions while visiting this DisneyWorld of Prayer, it will be curious to see what happens to the poor soul.
- The Hartford City Council would not dare open its sessions with a "Hail Mary" recited by a priest—that would be grounds for arrest—but they have decided to show their empathy with those who want a mosque near Ground Zero by inviting local imams to offer Islamic invocations.

The spinmeisters never fail to impress, so thoroughly have they mastered the art of lying. But to use religion as their

toy is all the more disturbing.