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The first plank of The Knights Party Platform is the recognition that America was founded as a Christian nation. Was America founded as a Christian nation? As this question is debated with uninformed and fundamentally flawed logic from critics, the answer is really quite clear. The Mayflower pilgrims, our founding fathers, and the generations of men and women that followed them all had a strong intolerance towards non-Christian practices. Consider this quote from Patrick Henry, "This great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ." Patrick Henry was the first and sixth governor of Virginia and one of our founding fathers. This is a very important fact because his thoughts were not extreme, or undesirable in regards to how America was founded. In fact, he was the governor of Virginia... Twice! Had his ideals and beliefs concerning the governing of a state been of a radical nature, he surely would not have been elected even once. Patrick Henry was not a renegade among his peers and the goals, ideals, and policy which he advocated for were fully embraced by all of our White Christian ancestors who founded America.

America's bonds with Christianity have been well documented in court cases, seen in American lifestyle, and the bedrock of American laws, customs, and courtesies. The Mayflower pilgrims colonies, the original states, and all governing laws which were the foundation for our nations laws were undeniably Christian in design. These same laws were designed to propagate and protect a Christian lifestyle.

The original colonies all had extremely stiff penalties for breaking the Bible's laws, and none of these laws would have been enacted or enforced were it not for men the likes of Patrick Henry. We can see how our founders revered (and feared) God by the severity of laws which governed the colonies and original states. For certain crimes such as adultery or blasphemy men and women could face the death penalty or other extremely harsh penalties. Blasphemy was a crime in every single colony in America with punishments that ranged from corporal punishment to jail time.

The Province Laws of 1697 for Massachusetts declared that under penalty for blasphemy the offender could be punished by "...six months in jail and until they find the sureties for the good behavior, by setting in the pillory, by whipping, boring through the tongue with a red hot iron, or setting upon the gallows with a rope about their neck." There are numerous more examples of how public repudiation of Christ was a criminal action and the penalties that would ensue. Did you catch that? Six months was the *minimum* amount of time that a person would spend in jail under that penalty! Those six months would not end a minute sooner than sentencing would allow and it also required that the offender "find the sureties for the good behavior" before the jail time would end. To only serve the time sentence was not enough. An offender would not be released until it was clear that the offender *understood* why the crime was wrong.

Every original state constitution gives reference to the Christian Protestant faith. Some states outright declared themselves as a Christian state, as did South Carolina, but it is impossible to deny that Christianity was the basis upon all the original State Constitutions were constructed. The Constitution of South Carolina of 1778 states, "The Christian Protestant religion shall be deemed, and is hereby constituted and declared to be, the established religion of this state."

We can see by reading the original laws and ordinances and other governing regulations that America was purpose built to be a Christian kingdom on Earth. The pilgrims came to this wild, untamed, and primitive world to escape the Kings laws and edicts. There was Christianity in England, but it could only be practiced under the King's approved methods. This did not allow the pilgrims to practice Christianity within the limitations of their consciences. Not having the freedom of conscience drove the pilgrims to chance the voyage to the New World. All of the original state constitutions and governing regulations for the colonies allowed free and open practice of Christianity in according to their own conscience.

Christianity was more than the way that our founding fathers worshiped, it was a lifestyle. This lifestyle was shared among all of the men and women that had a hand in founding America. A Christian lifestyle was not a choice for some men in America. Congress was apprehensive about the moral condition of the American army and navy and took steps to see that Christian morality prevailed in both organizations. In the Articles of War governing the conduct of the Continental Army (seen above) (adopted, June 30, 1775; revised, September 20, 1776), Congress devoted three of the four articles in the first section to the religious nurture of the troops. Article 2 "earnestly recommended to all officers and soldiers to attend divine services." Punishment was prescribed for those who behaved "indecently or irreverently" in churches, including courts-martial, fines and imprisonments. Chaplains who deserted their troops were to be court-martialed.

Congress particularly feared the navy as a source of moral corruption and demanded that skippers of American ships make their men behave. The first article in Rules and Regulations of the Navy, adopted on November 28, 1775, ordered all commanders "to be very vigilant . . . to discountenance and suppress all dissolute, immoral and disorderly practices." The second article required those same commanders "to take care, that divine services be performed twice a day on board, and a sermon preached on Sundays." Article 3 prescribed punishments for swearers and blasphemers: officers were to be fined and common sailors were to be forced "to wear a wooden collar or some other shameful badge of distinction."

Our founding fathers understood the perils of moral endangerment of service abroad and upon the high seas. It was for that reason that Christian morality was imposed upon the American services. When men enlisted into the American services, or were commissioned as an officer, they were obligated to be of Christian faith. Such is the military lifestyle, this was not an optional request-- it was an order! Under these conditions men were not just a group of men in a fighting organization when they fought for America. They became Christians fighting for the defense of Christian homelands.

From its very inception, America was only for Christians. Original state constitutions and other governing articles strictly required that only White Christians be allowed to serve in any capacity of public office. These same governing articles also barred non-Christians from practicing their faith in America.

State constitutions and other charters explicitly protected the Christian faith and the freedom of conscience for men and women to worship as they felt appropriate. America was not made for *just* one type of protestant faith. All forms of Christian protestant faith were honored and permitted to be full members of American society.

The Christian lifestyle and worship of God and belief in Jesus Christ as the savior was so important to our founding fathers that the Christian protestant faith was mandated to be practiced by American soldiers and sailors. All original laws, state constitutions, charters, and compacts served the purpose of promoting the Christian faith and barring non-Christian protestant faiths from being practiced. America was purpose built as Gods kingdom on Earth! If you are living in America today, you are a member of God's Kingdom on Earth!

To say that America was not founded as a Christian nation, or to be as God's Kingdom on Earth is impossibly incorrect. From the very start America was a Christian nation. This fact is irrevocably a part of America's moral and legal design and it is obvious to this very day.