

The Genius of America: The Separation of Church and State

Saturday, November 7, 2015
9:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Northway Christian Church, Dallas

In the creation of the government for the new nation, the founders created what Americans call the “separation of church and state.” A revolutionary idea because it was the first time in human history that a nation had disengaged itself from some religious orthodoxy or another and had declared its citizens free to be religious, or as non-religious, as they chose. We will explore what the U.S. Constitution says about the relation of religion and government by first looking at the Constitutional principles regarding that relationship and then by examining selected decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court that interpreted the Establishment and Free Exercise Clauses of the First Amendment.



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