

Marriage and Freedom
in America

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AND FREEDOM
IN AMERICA**

1 Pet. 3:15, “But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;

1 Pet. 3:16, “having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed.”

“If we defend the fortress at every point, except where it is being attacked, we will lose the battle.”

~Martin Luther





*"Unless I am convinced
by proofs from Scriptures
or by plain and clear
reasons and arguments,
I can and will not retract,
for it is neither safe nor
wise to do anything against
conscience. Here I stand.
I can do no other. God
help me. Amen!"*

*Martin Luther
(1483-1547)*

Lam. 3:20, “My soul still remembers [the horrors of the destruction of Jerusalem]

And sinks within me.

**Lam. 3:21, “This I recall to my mind,
Therefore I have hope.**

**Lam. 3:22, “Through the LORD’S mercies we are not
consumed,
Because His compassions fail not.**

**Lam. 3:23, “They are new every morning;
Great is Your faithfulness.”**

“ Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation, to select and prefer Christians for their rulers.”

~John Jay (1745–1829),
a president of the Continental Congress, first Chief Justice,
cont. *The Federalist Papers*



The following is an excerpt from Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas' Wriston Lecture to the Manhattan Institute in 2008:

“Let me put it this way; there are really only two ways to interpret the Constitution – try to discern as best we can what the framers intended or make it up. No matter how ingenious, imaginative or artfully put, unless interpretive methodologies are tied to the original intent of the framers, they have no more basis in the Constitution than the latest football scores.”



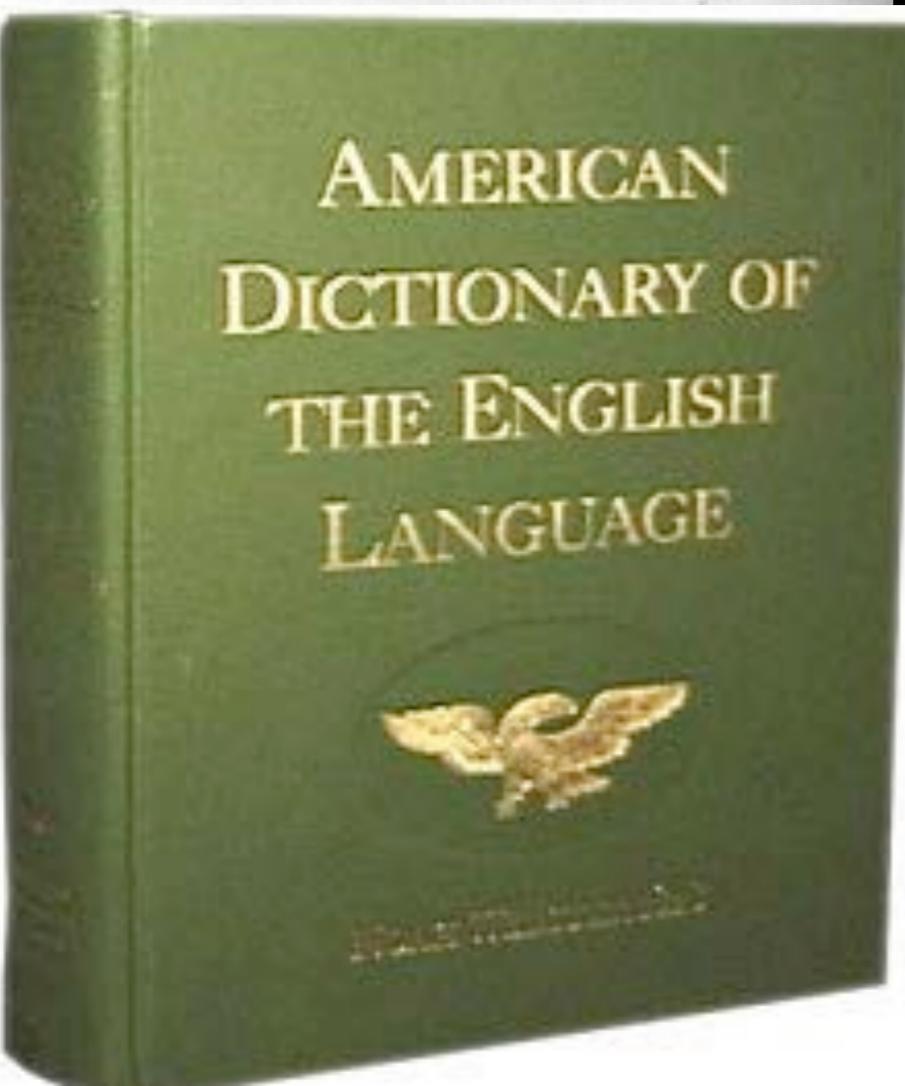
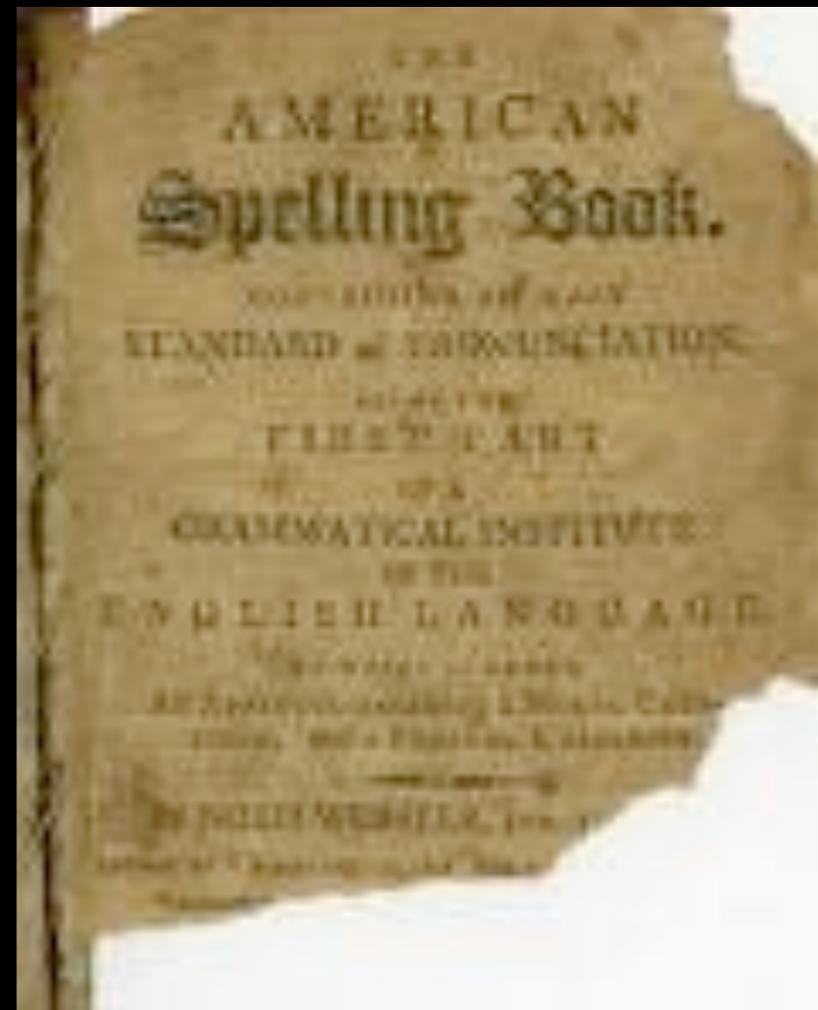
“To be sure, even the most conscientious effort to adhere to the original intent of the framers of our Constitution is flawed, as all methodologies and human institutions are; but at least originalism has the advantage of being legitimate and, I might add, impartial.”



“There is no dissonance in these declarations. There is a universal language pervading them all, having one meaning; they affirm and reaffirm that this is a religious nation, this is a Christian nation.”

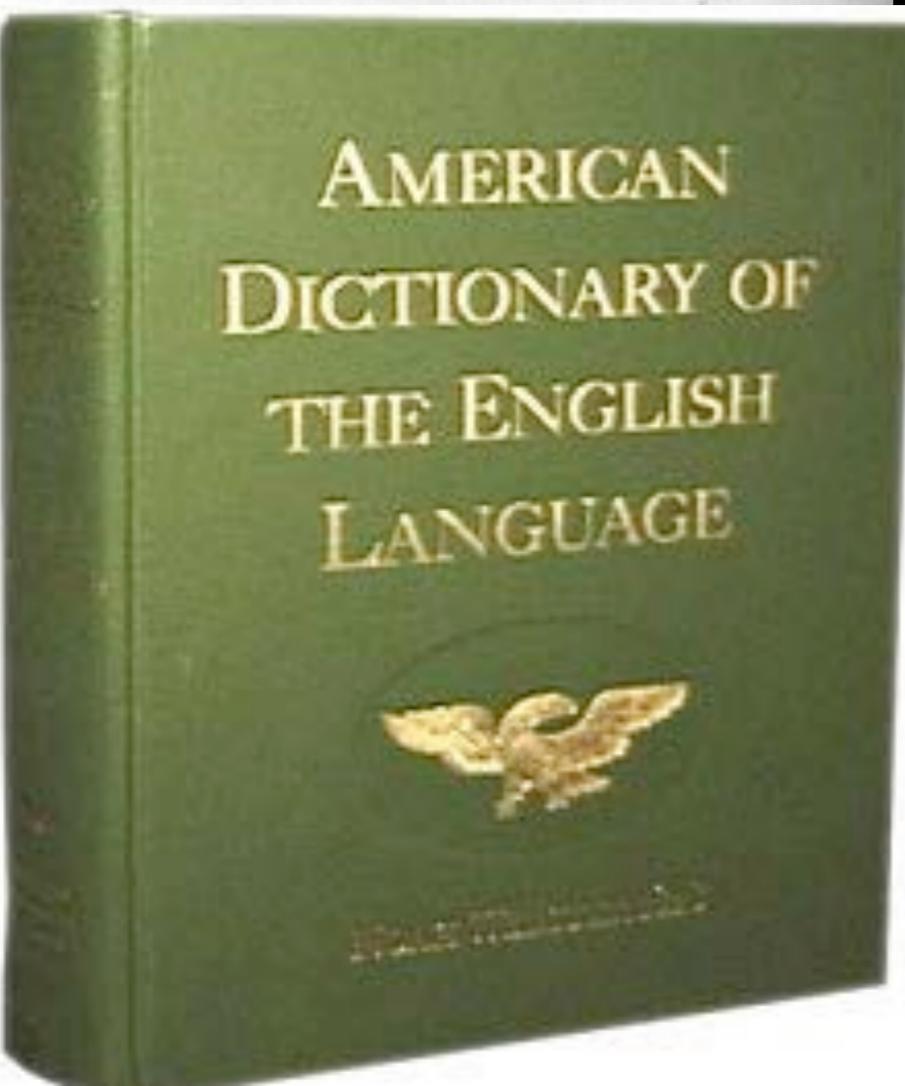
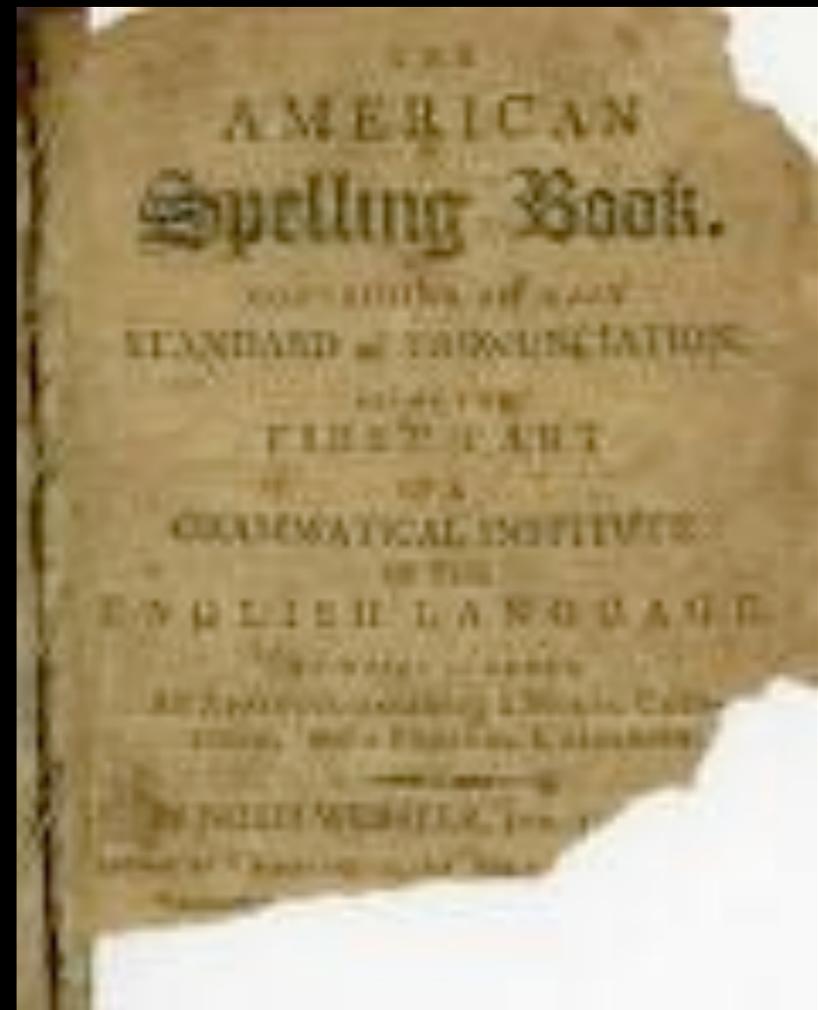
~U.S. Supreme Court, 1892



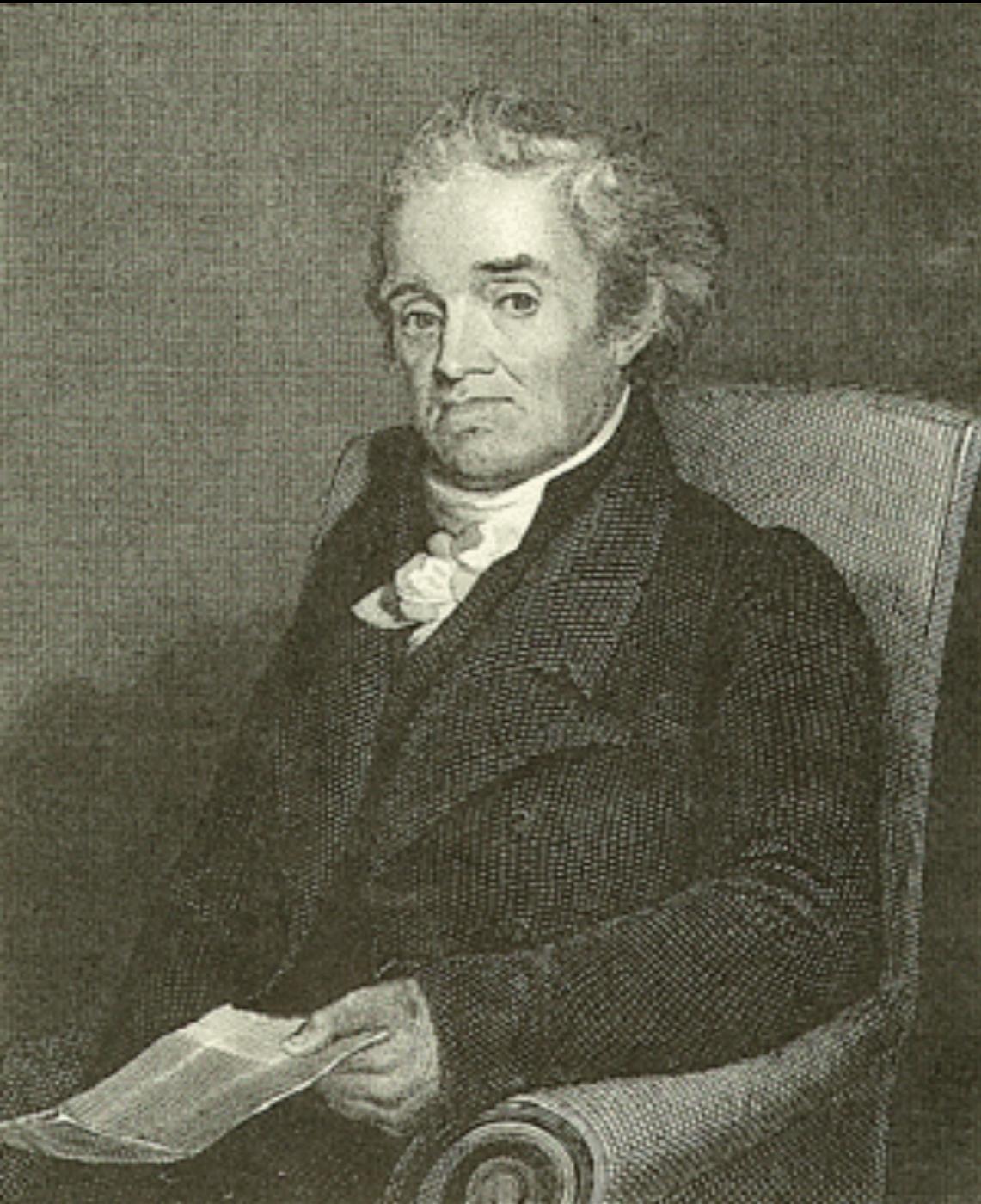


“In my view, the Christian religion is the most important and one of the first things in which all children, under a free government ought to be instructed ... No truth is more evident to my mind than that the Christian religion must be the basis of any government intended to secure the rights and privileges of a free people.”

~Preface



“the legal union of a man and woman for life”... which served the purposes of “preventing the promiscuous intercourse of the sexes, ... promoting domestic felicity, and ... securing the maintenance and education of children” (1828).



“Our citizens should early understand that the genuine source of correct republican principles is the Bible particularly the New Testament or the Christian religion.”

~Noah Webster
(1758–1843)

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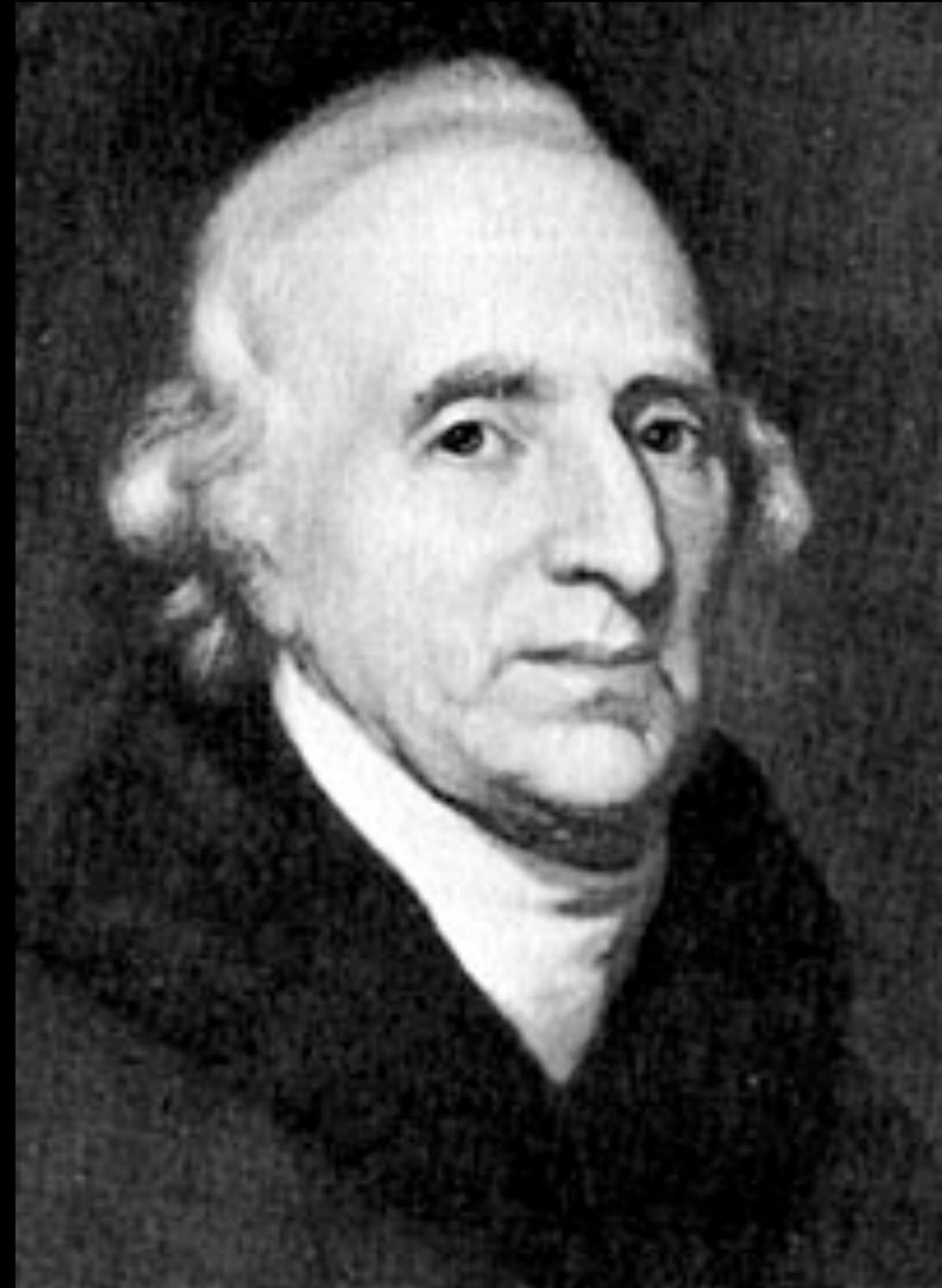
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“Without morals a republic cannot subsist any length of time; they therefore who are decrying the Christian religion, whose morality is so sublime and pure ... are undermining the solid foundation of morals, the best security for the duration of free governments.”

~Charles Carroll, Signer of the Declaration of Independence;
[Letter to James McHenry on November 4, 1800.]



“We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion

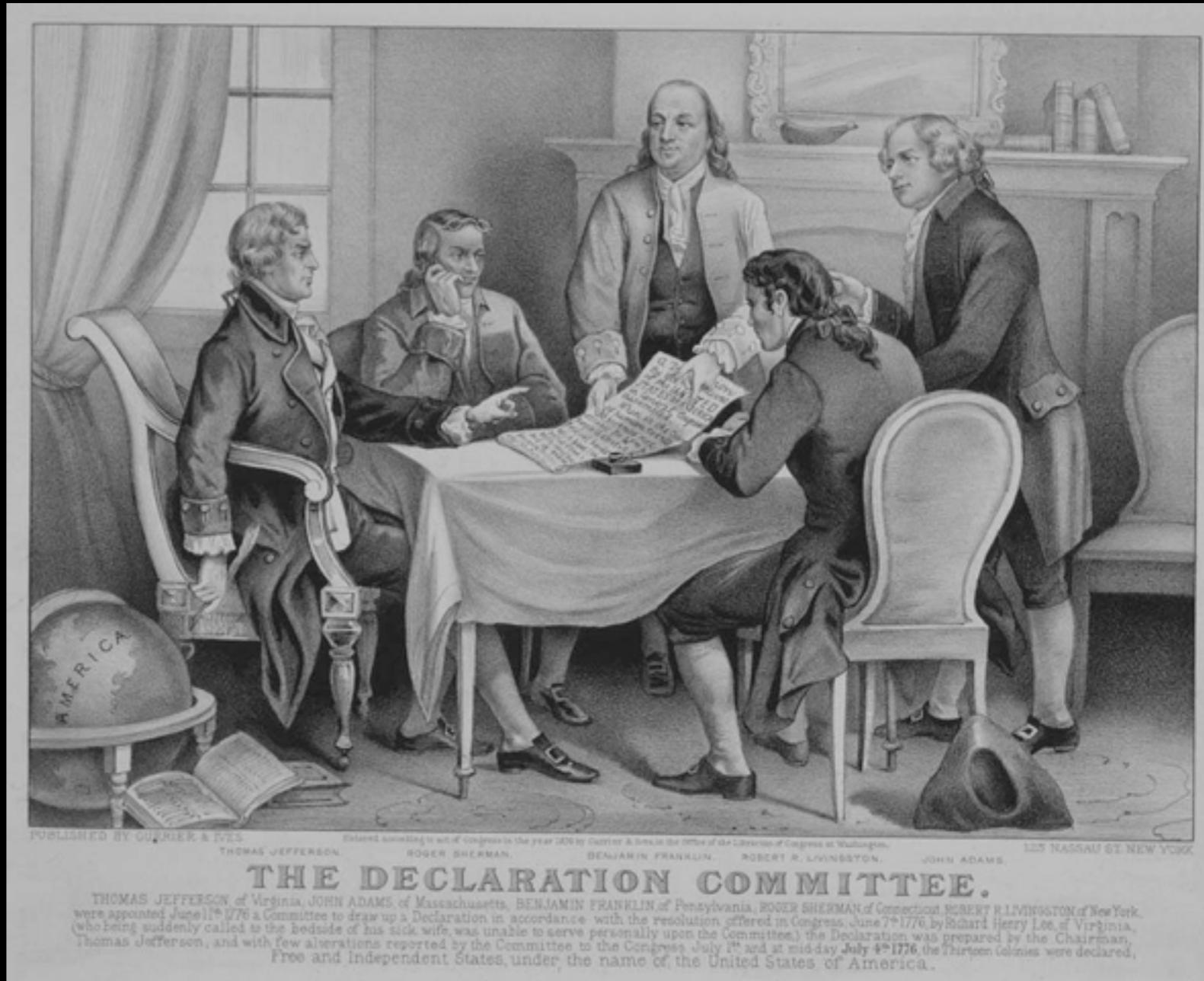
. . . Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.”

~John Adams



“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness,”

~Declaration of Independence



George Washington

1732-1799



“there is no truth more thoroughly established, than that there exists in the economy and course of nature, an indissoluble union between virtue and happiness.”

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**“Without virtue,
happiness cannot
be.”**

~Thomas Jefferson

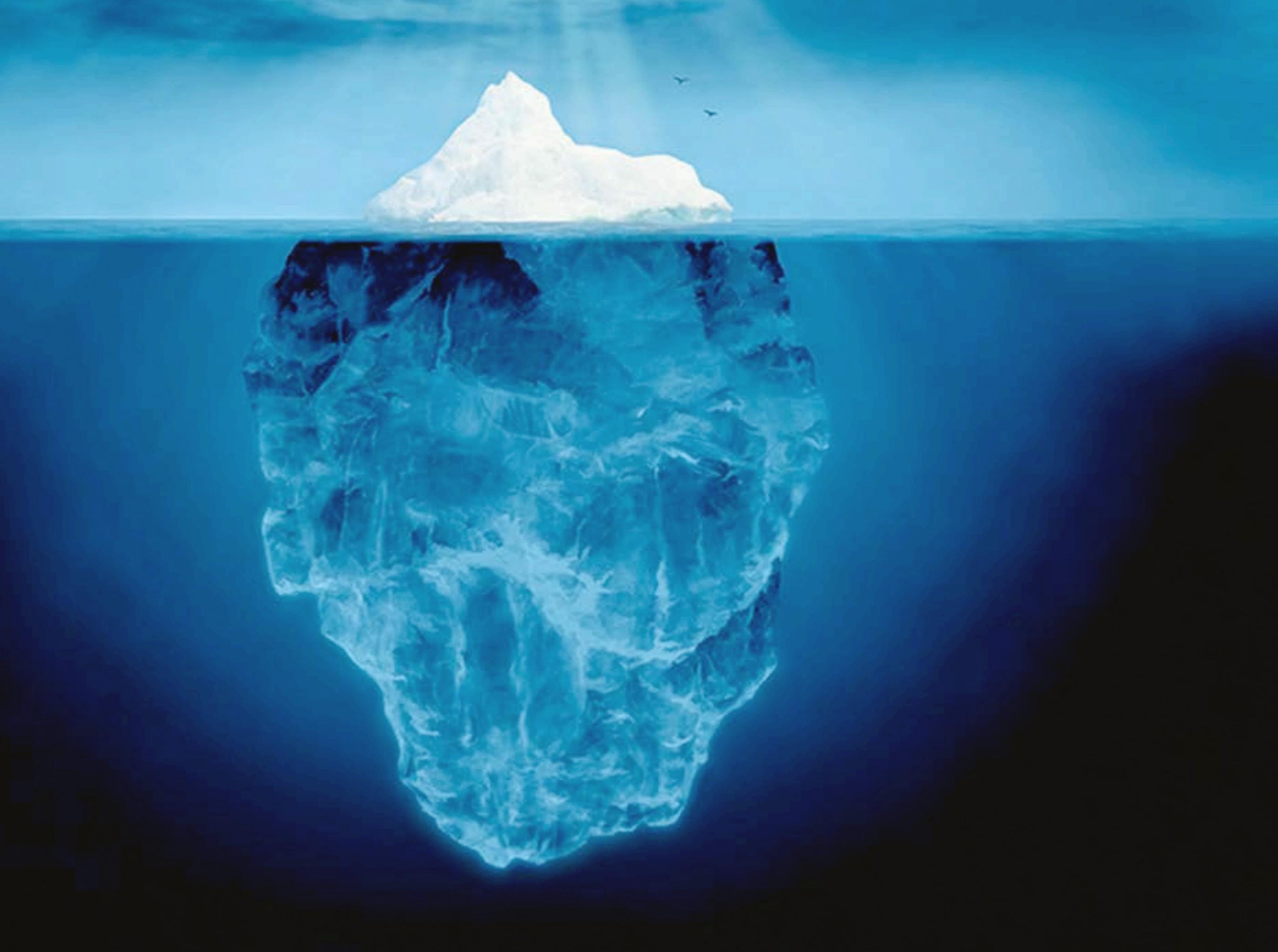


“The morality of the country is deeply engrafted upon Christianity. The people whose manners and morals have been elevated and inspired by means of the Christian religion.”

~New York Supreme Court

“The Christian concept of right and wrong, or right and justice, motivates every rule of equity. It is the guide by which we dissolve domestic frictions and the rule by which all legal controversies are settled.”

~Florida Supreme Court



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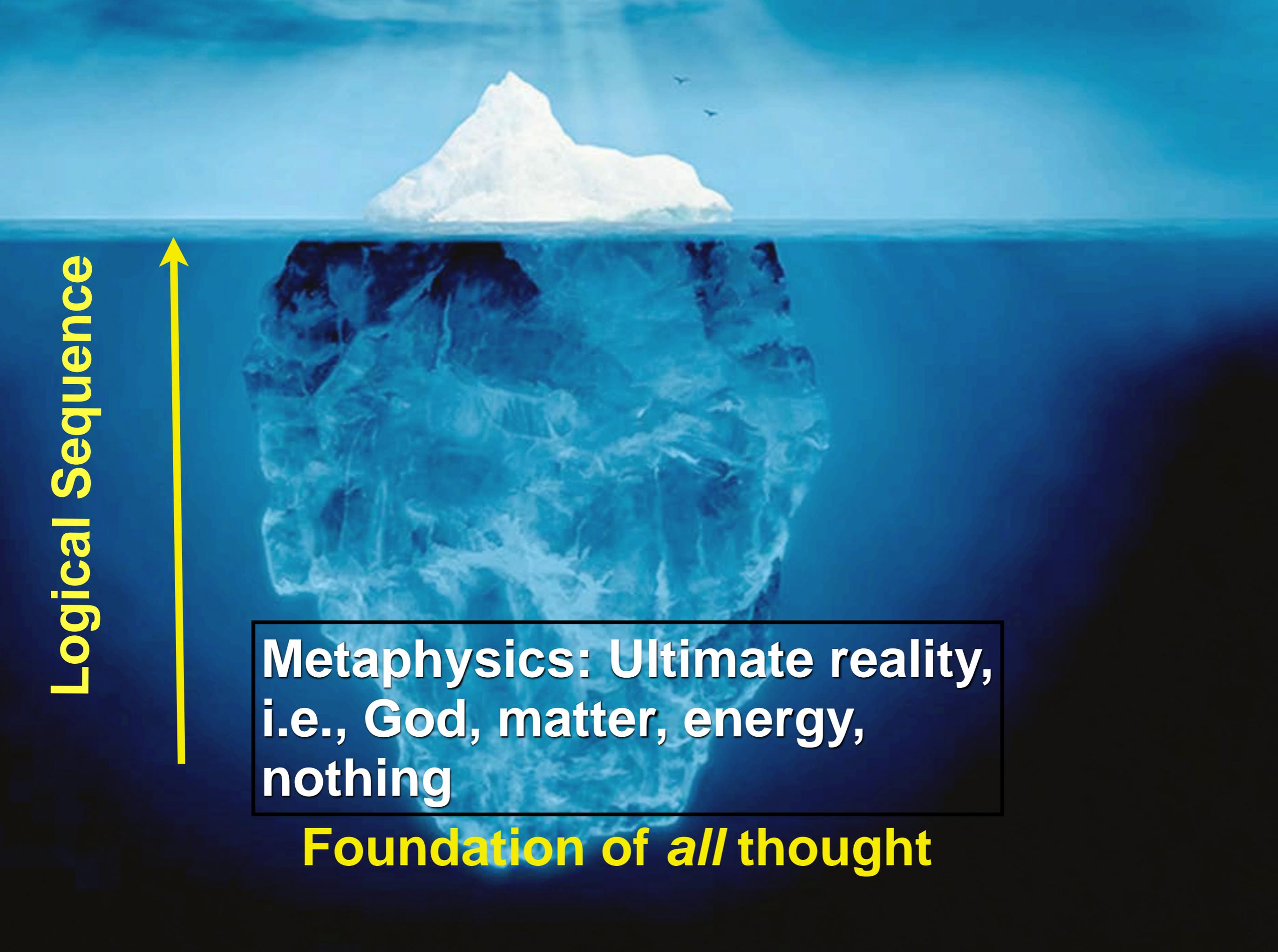


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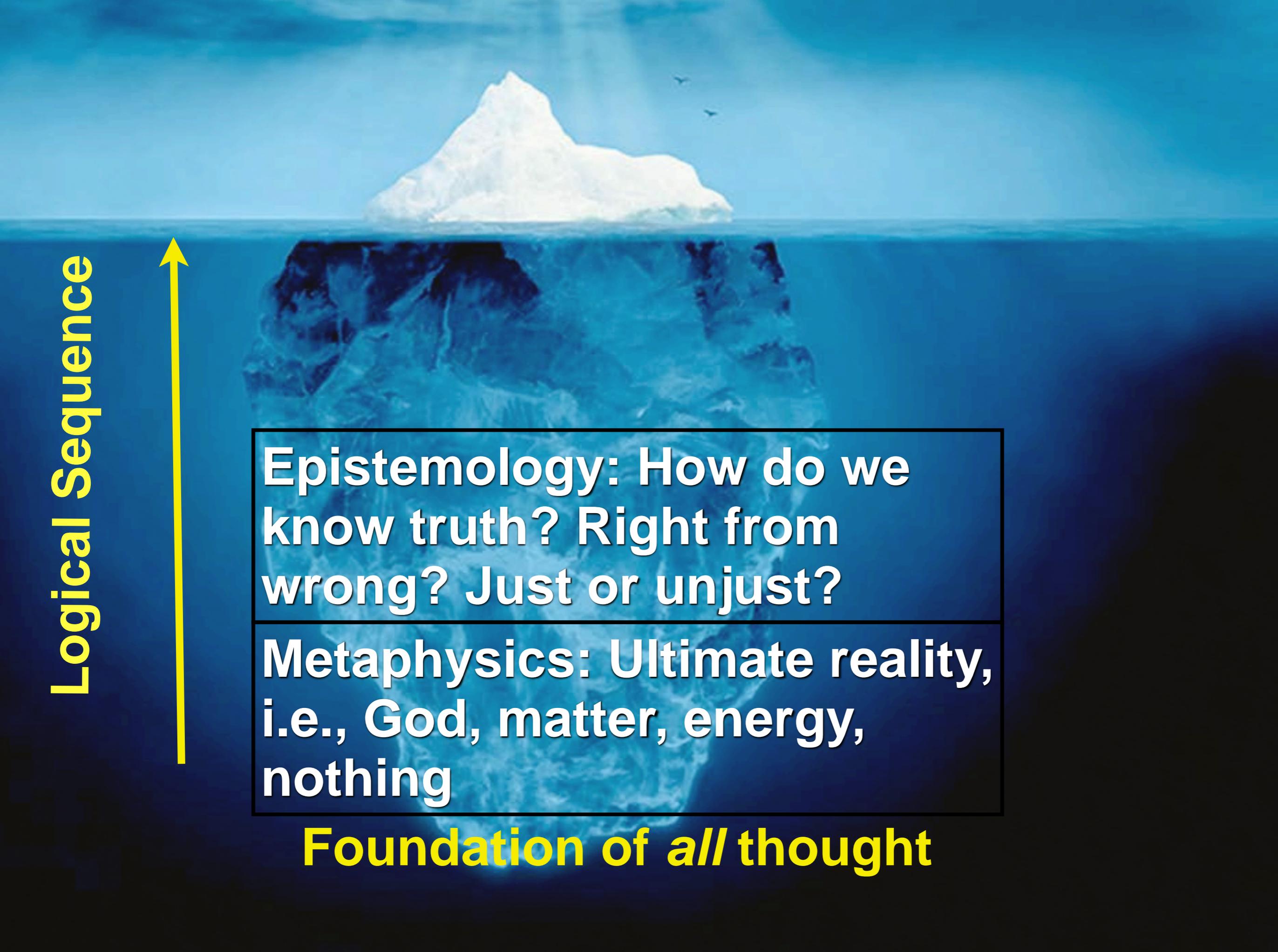
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These are the real issues, usually ignored.



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The Divine Institutions

1. Individual Responsibility

PRE-FALL

2. Marriage

3. Family

**Designed to promote
productivity and advance
civilization**

4. Government, judicial

5. Nations

POST-FALL

Designed to restrain evil

Gen. 1:26, “Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.’

Gen. 1:27, “So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Gen. 1:28, “Then God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.’ ”

Gen. 8:17, “Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that is with you: birds and cattle and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, so that they may abound on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth.”

Gen. 9:1, “So God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them: ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.’ ”

Gen. 9:7, “And as for you, be fruitful and multiply; Bring forth abundantly in the earth and multiply in it.”

Gen. 2:18, “And the LORD God said, ‘It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him.’ ”

Gen. 2:21, “And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place.

Gen. 2:22, “Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.

Gen. 2:23, “And Adam said: ‘This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.’

Gen. 2:24, “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.”

Matt. 19:3, “The Pharisees also came to Him, testing Him, and saying to Him, ‘Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for just any reason?’

Matt. 19:4, “And He answered and said to them, ‘Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning “made them male and female,” ’

Matt. 19:5, “and said, ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh?’

Matt. 19:6, “So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate.”