

**News and Current Events :: Critics slam Obama for "protecting" Monsanto****Critics slam Obama for "protecting" Monsanto - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/10 23:53**

By Lindsey Boerma CBS News March 28

There's no love lost between Washington and the American public, it seems, five days after Congress for the first time in years managed to handle a budget-related issue without reaching the brink of crisis.

Protesters have descended on Pennsylvania Avenue outside the White House this week, enraged at a potentially health-hazardous provision they allege lawmakers inserted surreptitiously into a continuing resolution (CR) that will fund the government through the remainder of the fiscal year. The bill sailed through the Capitol on Friday; President Obama signed it into law on Tuesday.

Opponents have termed the language in question the "Monsanto Protection Act," a nod to the major agricultural biotech corporation and other like firms geared at producing genetically modified organisms (GMO) and genetically engineered (GE) seeds and crops. The provision protects genetically modified seeds from litigation suits over health risks posed by the crops' consumption.

Food safety advocacy groups like Food Democracy Now, which collected more than 250,000 signatures on a petition calling for the president to veto the CR, argue not enough studies have been conducted into the possible health risks of GMO and GE seeds. Eliminating judicial power to halt the selling or planting of them essentially cuts off their course to ensuring consumer safety should health risks emerge.

Seeking a "balance" to the newly minted law, Food Democracy Now has shifted its tactics to encouraging supporters to sign and send letters to Mr. Obama, chiding him for signing the legislation despite that refusal to do so would have expired the federal budget and triggered a government-wide shutdown this week.

Part of the template for the letter reads: "In an effort to balance this violation of our basic rights, I am urging you as President to issue an Executive Order to require the mandatory labeling of genetically engineered foods, something that you promised farmers while on the campaign trail in 2007. It is urgent that the U.S. government rectify the 20 year old politically engineered loophole and allow for open and transparent labeling of genetically engineered foods," the letter continues, "a basic right that citizens in 62 other countries already enjoy."

Other groups have aimed their ire toward the more worthy target, criticizing Congress for slipping the language into a must-pass bill without review by the Agricultural or Judiciary Committees. The International Business Times reports that the Center for Food Safety is putting in the hot seat Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., chairwoman for the Senate Appropriations Committee, for not giving the amendment a proper hearing. According to Salon, many members of Congress who voted to approve the bill were unaware the language existed.

"In this hidden backroom deal, Sen. Mikulski turned her back on consumer, environmental and farmer protection in favor of corporate welfare for biotech companies such as Monsanto," Andrew Kimbrell, executive director of the Center for Food Safety, said in a statement, according to IBT. "This abuse of power is not the kind of leadership the public has come to expect from Sen. Mikulski or the Democrat Majority in the Senate."

**Re: Critics slam Obama for "protecting" Monsanto, on: 2013/4/11 3:24**

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**Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/11 10:15**

Hi HezWelling

HezWelling asked ////i'm confused....this issue relates to Jesus and Him crucified in what way?  
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This is an issue of conviction for many.  
It makes since to discuss areas of conviction on these forums.

I was unable to copy and paste this artical but here is the link to an artical on this subject:

GM food crops & the Bible, Gods view of Genetically modified food  
<http://www.born-again-christian.info/answers/gm.food.htm>

**Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2013/4/11 10:34**

Greetings ProudPapa

I know a few moms are watching this unfold and I really upset that this is happening. At the very least there is a push in the direction of where we can buy certain foods with the restrictions of the sale of eggs, meat, and milk from smaller farms in some states.

I do believe all these additives, and chemicals and modifying that is done can and has been harmful to many children in this country. Did you know that many breads are made with L-Cysteine, this is an amino acid made from human hair. No wonder to be fair it can also be made synthetically but apparently human hair remains one of the richest sources of this amino acid. There is a company in China that uses hair clippings to make L-Cysteine and sells it to bakeries all over the world. The thing is the labels don't tell us what the L-Cysteine is made from while it may not bother some there are those who are very bothered with the notion they are eating human hair. The amount of antibiotics in our meat is another concern especially as more and more germs become super bugs, and now many medicines are no longer effective on them. In all of this I see the government as wanting more control over what people do, the food industry and some of the things put in to our food may very well be responsible for the increase in childhood diabetes, and asthma. Its like a circle, some of the chemical additives in the growing and processing of our food makes us sick so we go to the pharmacy and take more chemicals to get better... around and around it goes.

I don't look to conspiracy theories but I do think there is a link between what the government allows to go on and big businesses like the food industries, the drug industries, and the agriculture industries. I do believe the real motivation in all of this is money. The Word does tell us that money is the root of all evil and the love for money has caused many to look the other way through out history.

I don't know if some of the laws making it harder to grow your own food or share it with your neighbor is apart of the government attempting to control food supply but I do think there could come a time when those who are unwilling to deny the things of JESUS and HIS KINGDOM could be subjected to being restricted unless they relent. I believe persecution in many forms is coming, when I don't know, but I believe it is on the horizon.

There are many things that are allowed to go on for the sake of profit in this country and again you can see it is for the love of money and power. We need to be in prayer and seeking HIM. There may come a time soon when difficult choices have to be made on who we will follow, JESUS or man. To follow CHRIST might mean not having medical treatment, or food to eat, or being placed in prison, being denied the WORD and ability to fellowship...I pray for my faith to be increased all the time and for discernment to know HIS heart in all things.

God Bless  
maryjane

**Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/11 10:43**

Hi MaryJane,

very well said,

The net seems to be closing in on us from every angle.

**Re: - posted by DEADn (), on: 2013/4/11 11:33**

I bought some whey protein earlier this week and I noticed on the label that there is a small amount of soy protein in it. The soy protein is marked as genetically engineered. I brought it to the attention of the salesperson. I wonder how much of this is making it into other whey protein powders?

**Re: - posted by Elibeth, on: 2013/4/11 11:49**

Very Dear Papa,

There it is again....'The kingdom of God / heaven'...  
Would you think that I was just trying to say something ugly / smart,  
if I will humbly speak this Truth in love,and I am truly not trying to cut you  
short,...because we all can...I too,...get to careing,if we pause to think much.

Sometimes,...is seeming more all the time now,..that we  
will need to just get wrapped- up in Jesus,..and let the world go by?..  
Loving Him with all of our heart,soul, mind,strength,..if that is possible,..  
And the Word lets us know that it is possible. We will need  
"much strength"..to be over-comers in these times,that seems are just ahead ?

Steven,must have had this type of relationship with The Lord...the Lord saved Steven to the utter-most,...He brought him  
all the way through and out the other side,..'still IN Him', ...

Now,for the Kingdom of God / heaven :

We are to seek ye the Kingdom of God,and His righteousness ( how He judges in all matters ) ....and He will take care of  
our food and clothing,..even in the 'mark of the beast ' times.  
( what would Thou have for me to do Lord ?,..every day, and always.)

" heaven and earth shall pass away,but My Word,shall not pass away."  
And He has given us His Word.  
....Set our mind on things above....

Only with much care and love,  
elizabeth

**Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/11 12:00**

Montosanto has Genetically altered SoyBeans , to be what they call Roundup Ready. That is their farmers will spray the roundup herbicide on their soybean crops and it will kill the weeds around the crop but not the soybean plants

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roundup\\_Ready\\_soybean](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Roundup_Ready_soybean)

**Re: , on: 2013/4/11 12:10**

Our dear sister Elisabeth speaks very wisely from her gentle heart. Very well said dear sister.

Bearmaster.

**Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2013/4/11 12:29**

I do understand the heart of wanting to keep our focus on CHRIST and I would never want to lose sight of that but since I know some who have children who have been sickened because of the additives in some foods and the sorrow the parents go through I don't think there is harm in being aware. Especially as a mom it is very difficult to come to terms with the thought that I bought something I thought was safe and fine and fed it to my child only to find that it made them very ill.

Of course we realize it was not mom's fault but so many of us do put things into our bodies everyday without thought to where they came from or if they are really good for us. I believe JESUS does care about every part of our life including what I eat, and how much. I know some moms who are now planting and growing their own fresh veggies, and even some fruits. Even my daughter plans to begin raising her own chickens and gathering eggs for her family. Food allergies can be deadly for some children and without labeling on what is being put into the food it does cause one to pause and consider. Of course even in this we must submit to the LORD and not be fearful. One can be wise in CHRIST and yet walk by faith in doing what HE leads them to do. One mom is learning to plant and grow her own fresh foods so that her daughter will be healthy that is good wisdom and I think pleasing to the LORD.

I appreciate the reminder to keep our focus on CHRIST as well as proudpapa sharing these things with us. It is good to be aware of what is happening.

God bless  
maryjane

**Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/11 13:21**

If The Farmers that bordered the farm that I grew up on had been wrapped up in Jesus in the 60s and 70s... than they would have felt an unction, a conviction within themselves... that they would have heeded to rather than the rational arguments of the time... I believe an unction would have told them Not to spray their farms with Agent Orange but they heeded to no unction to no conviction even though many were probably Christian. And in so doing (spraying their farms) they dumped the demonic poisons next to the very well that my Grandparents drank from.

the effects are still effecting many unto this generation.

I have noticed Several of the farmers that polluted their ground with this poison and continued to live on their farm have died from brain cancer.

Had they listened for the unction the conviction within them, which is the Kingdom, than I believe God would have clearly warned them to not spray thousands of acres with Agent Orange/ dioxin even though there is no scripture proof text Perse that says though shalt not dump Agent Orange/ dioxin on your land

[http://images.search.yahoo.com/search/images?\\_adv\\_prop=image&fr=yfp-t-900&va=dioxin+agent+orange](http://images.search.yahoo.com/search/images?_adv_prop=image&fr=yfp-t-900&va=dioxin+agent+orange)

If We feel a conviction about a subject than we should heed to that conviction rather or not we can make a rational argument in its defence.

I believe also that it is perfectly right to discuss such convictions amongst the Brethren.

I hope everyone can see the parallel that I was trying to make.

**Re: , on: 2013/4/11 13:31**

But I thought this forum was to promote Christ centered revival. But then maybe eating organic foods will bring Christ centered revival. Much easier than praying for it.

Bearmaster.

**Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2013/4/11 13:52**

edited:I have decided to leave this thread and remove my last post. I do not want this to become a stumbling block in my walk with HIM or others. Better to bow out instead.

Proud papa I just wanted to say that I did understand what you were attempting to share about seeking the LORD. I did not feel like you were saying anything about having to eat organic. I appreciate your heart in wanting to share this with us, I know some moms who because of their love for their children are paying attention to this as well.

As in all things prayer is the answer and seeking JESUS in all things that we do.

God bless  
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**Re: - posted by Elibeth, on: 2013/4/11 16:18**

Proud papa,

Yes, I too believe that it is perfectly good to be able to discuss the concerns that we have. I am grateful that we can. We all have concerns that we might need to discuss.

I sure do hope, that I did not offend you, by taking this in another direction,.....  
it is not my desire or intention to offend.  
And I too, appreciate you.

Sincerely,  
elizabeth

**Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2013/4/11 16:28**

by Elibeth on 2013/4/11 10:18:43

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Greetings elizabeth,

I was not going to post anymore but then I read your post and wanted to make sure that you know I also appreciated wh at you shared. I do think we can talk and pray with each other over these things and keep the heart of love for one anot her while we do. I felt your posts showed this to be true.

And now I will leave again Well unless HE brings me back :)

God bless

Maryjane

**Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/11 17:48**

bearmaster wrote ://by bearmaster on 2013/4/11 10:31:22

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Is what you wrote here intended as mockery ?

**Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/11 18:04**

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no offence taken, I am very appreciative and blessed by many of your post.

**Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/11 18:23**

MaryJane wrote ///Proud papa I just wanted to say that I did understand what you were attempting to share about seeking the LORD. I did not feel like you were saying anything about having to eat organic. I appreciate your heart in wanting to share this with us, I know some moms who because of their love for their children are paying attention to this as well.

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Thankyou, for your input maryjane.

**Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2013/4/11 19:04**

from the artical Science Fiction Horror Story  
by Michael Pearl

What does God say about modifying his creation?

“So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so. And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good” (Genesis 1:27, 31).

Can you believe it? God designs his human creation after his own image, tailors the plant and herbs to the exact food specifications humans and animals require, and then pronounces that it is all very good. And what do scientists do? They say, “It is good, but not good enough; we can do better,” and then proceed to re-create what God created. It produces havoc, and they forge ahead undaunted in their “mission.” They are like four-year-old children dismantling a computer to improve upon it.

I say with the Psalmist, “I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them” (Psalm 139:14-15).

If the above verse says anything, it says that before we were born, God designed the very substance of our beings, recording the design in a book, and then fashioned us after that secret design. We are awesome and wonderful in design, a marvelous work of God. Who could dare to improve upon the master design of the God of creation?

Clear prohibition against modifying God’s creation:

“Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds: lest the fruit of thy seed which thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard, be defiled” (Deut 22:9).

Note, God did not want his original seeds mixed so as to cause them to lose their inherent uniqueness. The result of mixing seeds produces a seed that was “defiled”.

“Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed” (Leviticus 19:19). Again, God is concerned to maintain the seed’s and the cattle’s original character.

“And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so. 12 And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind

ind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good” (Genesis 1:11-12). God designed everything to bring forth after its singular kind, and neither a mixed kind, nor a new kind.

We live in strange times, when man has begun to move into God’s laboratory and is attempting to sabotage his design and change the very structure of creation. They dream of cloning humans, mix human and animal genes, throw in a few plant genes and come up with a Frankenstein monster. Science fiction has become a vision for tomorrow.

There was an earlier time, about 1800 years after creation, when men pooled their knowledge and built a city and a tower to reach unto heaven. “And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.” (Genesis 11:6). This is a fascinating verse. God concedes that when many people combine their knowledge, they will not be restrained from accomplishing their wildest imaginations. So he divided them into diverse language groups to prevent them from conferring and sharing their knowledge and skills. That language barrier God put into place is now obsolete. Scientists of the world cooperate and share their knowledge. We are again at the place where “nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.”

But God will have the last say in the Great Tribulation “which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth” (Rev. 3:10). “And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth” (Rev. 11:18). I have never been sure what this passage referred to—“God destroys them which destroy the earth.” Surely it is not killing the snail darter or wiping out the buffalo that has angered God to the point of exercising “great wrath” upon all flesh. Nothing man has ever done is one percent as destructive as permanently changing the DNA of God’s creation. Look out Monsanto, Dupont: here comes the Judge!

<http://www.bulkherbstore.com/articles/science-fiction-horror-story>

**Re: - posted by Elibeth, on: 2013/4/12 18:54**

Proud papa,

" What does God say about man modifying His creation ? "

By Michael Pearl

Thank you for causing me to ponder this.

blessings,

elizabeth

**Re: Critics slam Obama for "protecting" Monsanto - posted by HeartSong, on: 2013/4/13 3:05**

Farmers, who have been given the land to till, have "sold out." In the name of profit, they are now planting polluted seeds, in polluted soil, that is being watered with polluted rain.

Those that claim to be Christians have a problem, and that is that they are responsible for murder, and somehow they know it not, and as such are not repenting for that which they most certainly need to be repenting of as the day of judgment draweth nigh.

**Re: - posted by a-servant, on: 2013/4/13 6:01**

God created the seeds of life of all plants, not Monsanto. They have no business changing and patenting seeds that they didn't create.

Of course not all people are willing to accept cooperate monopoly (~70%) on what is not rightfully theirs. That's why dictators have to protect monopolistic cooperations in a fascist state against the people. Yes that can be confusing for supporting voters.

The parallel that comes to mind is that humanity also has no business of changing the words of God. Still they do change them and put their copyright on it as sign of ownership, and they can do so legally because its man's words to a large extent, and not God's. That's why every additional "bible" needs to change a great quantity of words again in order to obtain a new copyright.

God's judgment is the same in both cases of human dilutions and manipulation of what is His, and rightfully so. So why the refusal to accept it and repent? Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives but to save them. Luke 9:55,56