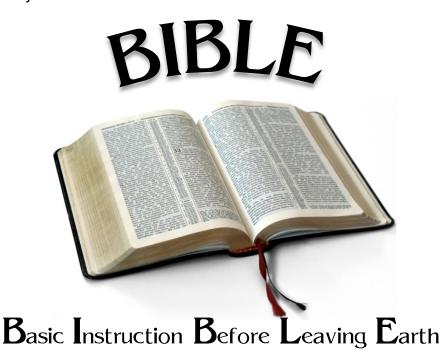


FIND YOUR BIBLE, OPEN YOUR BIBLE, READ YOUR BIBLE LIVE YOUR BIBLE

The joint statement of the XX International Catholic-Jewish Liaison Committee Meeting, held in Madrid (13-16 October 2013) states that "Jews and Christians share the heritage of the Biblical testimony of God's relationship with the human family throughout history!" On 26 June 2015, six Christians (Roman Catholics in fact) and three Jews in the United States of America had the opportunity to bear witness to that testimony while considering what constitutes Marriage. Sadly, five of them chose not to open their Bibles and as a result, as members of the United States Supreme Court, voted to define Marriage according to the dictates of something other than their shared heritage.

Please join me in giving thanks to God for the four Roman Catholics (Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., Associate Justice Antonin Scalia, Associate Justice Clarence Thomas, and Associate Justice Samuel Anthony Alito, Jr.) who opened their Bibles to give witness to the *Truth* about Marriage. Please join me in turning to God on behalf of the two other Roman Catholics (Associate Justice Anthony M. Kennedy and Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor) and the three Jews (Associate Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice Stephen G. Breyer, and Associate Justice Elena Kagan) who instead gave witness to an *opinion* about Marriage, and with the words of the One betrayed let us pray: "Father forgive them, for they know not what they do."

The joint statement referenced earlier concludes with these words: "We see ourselves as partners in



healing our created world so that it may reflect ever more brightly the original Biblical vision: 'And God saw all that He had made, and behold it was very good.'" If our world, our nation, and our families are ever going to shine brightly, then Catholics and Jews better find their Bibles, open their Bibles, read their Bibles, and live their Bibles. If we don't do this, the world will continue to grow dark: not because we've extinguished the sun, but rather because we've extinguished the Son!