Founding Father's Bible quotes.

Some people question whether this nation was truly founded as a Christian nation. My name is Eric J. LeClerc, and I am a junior in a Christian high school. These quotes came from my history book (which is also Christian). It is <u>American Government and Economics: In Christian Perspective.</u> It is published by A Beka Book in Pensacola, Florida. I hope that these quotes open your eyes. What can be more convincing than these.

" It is impossible to rightly govern without God and the Bible." George Washington

" I have said and always will say that the studious perusal of the sacred volume (Bible) will make better citizens, better fathers, and better husbands." Thomas Jefferson.

" So great is my veneration for the Bible that the earlier my children begin to read it, the more confident will be my hope that they will prove useful citizens of their country and respectable members of society." John Quincy Adams

" That book, sir, is the rock on which our republic stands." Andrew Jackson.

" I believe the Bible is the best gift God has ever given man. All the good from the Savior of the world is communicated to us through this Book. But for it, we could not know right from wrong." Abraham Lincoln

" Hold fast to the Bible as the sheet anchor of your liberties. Write its precepts in your hearts, and practice them in your lives. To the influence of this Book are we indebted for all the progress made in true civilization, and to this we must look as our guide in the future. 'Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.' "US Grant

" If you take out of your statutes, your constitution, your family life all that is taken from the Sacred Book, what would there be left to bind society together?" Benjamin Harrison.

" The more profoundly we study this wonderful book, and the more closely we observe its divine precepts, the better citizens we will become, and the higher will be our destiny as a nation." William McKinley

" Almost every man who has by his life-work added to the sum of human achievement of which the race is proud, of which the people are proud, almost evry such man has based his life-work largely on the teachings of the Bible." " Every thinking man, when he thinks, realizes that the teachings of the Bible are so interwoven and entwined with our whole civic and social life that it would be literally - I do not mean figuratively, but literally - impossible for us to figure what that loss would be if these teachings were removed. We would lose almost all the standards towards which we, with more or less of resolution, strive to raise ourselves." Theodore Roosevelt

" Thee Bible is the Word of life - it is a picture of the human heart displayed for all ages and all sorts of conditions of men. I feel sorry for the men who do not read the Bible everyday. I wonder why they deprive themselves of the strength and pleasure." Woodrow Wilson (previous quote and below) " A man has deprived himself of the best there is in the world who has deprived himself of this (a knowledge of the Bible) . . . There are a good many problems before the American people today, and before me as President, but I expect to find the solution of those problems just in the proportion that I am faithful in the study of the Word of God."

" The American Revolution was preceded by the great religious revival of the middle of the eighteenth century, which had its effect both in England and in the colonies. When the common people turned to the reading of the Bible,... when they were stirred by a great revival,... the way was prepared.... It was because religion gave the people a new importance and a new glory that they demanded a new freedom and a new government. We cannot in our generation reject the cause and retain the result." Calvin Coolidge

"There is no other book so varied as the Bible, nor one so full of concentrated wisdom. Whether it be of law, business, morals, or that vision which leads the imagination in the creation of constructive enterprise for the happiness of mankind, he who seeks for guidance in any of these things may look inside its covers and find illumination.... As a nation, we are indebted to the Book of books for our national ideas and representative institutions. Their preservation rests in adhering to its principles." Herbert Hoover

" I feel that a comprehensive study of the Bible is a liberal (well-rounded) education for anyone. Nearly all of the

great men of our country have been well versed in the teachings of the Bible." Franklin D. Roosevelt

" Of the many influences that have shaped the United States into a distinctive nation and people, none may be said to be more fundamental and enduring than the Bible." Ronald Reagan