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Divine intervention of Trump

50 years of supreme lunacy finally die

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onstitutionally speaking, the most amazing thing about Friday's blockbuster Supreme Court decision to overturn Roe v. Wade is that anyone found it controversial in the first place. Or, that Roe v. Wade was ever decided by any court, let alone the Supreme Court. Or, that Roe — and its flawed follow-on, Casey v. Planned Parenthood — held for 50 years.

Displaying a firm grasp of the obvious, the high court writes: "The constitution does not confer a right to abortion; Roe and Casey are overruled; and the authority to regulate abortion is

returned to the people and their elected representatives." Any child with fifth-grade reading skills could tell you that



nowhere in the Constitution does the word "abortion" appear. And no understanding of the spirit of the Constitution implies a right of one human being to dismember and "evacuate" another human being.

Thus, it is nothing short of astonishing that so many justices on the highest court in the land nominated by both political parties over the decades somehow discovered and defended an entirely manufactured and politically fraught "right" in the

The whole 50-year constitutional nightmare has finally come to a close. The American people — through their elected legislatures — will now decide the deeply moral and public issue of abortion.

Perhaps, at some point in the future, the courts will grapple with the very real constitutional right to life of the unborn. But, for now, abortion in some fashion will remain legal for the vast majority of Americans living in most states of the Union.

Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr.'s historic opinion overturning Roe v. Wade is so clear, simple and straightforward that law students 50 years from today will marvel that it was ever controversial. And they will wonder how we ever got here in the first place.

As a political issue, abortion has been a lightning rod — made all the more electric because nine unelected men in black robes snatched the issue away from voters and their elected representatives in 1973. That court was particularly obnoxious when it ordered the American people to "end their national division" over the issue once the court had mansplained it for us.

While the ruling in Roe held, the people did not quiet their divisions — as always happens when the democratic process gets hijacked.

Ever since abortion has been a hotly partisan issue over which elections have been won and lost and hundreds of millions of dollars have been raised by politicians debating the issue. Republican politicians promised



Donald Trump

abortion — or "choice," as they used to call it. But none of these politicians actually accomplished Until former President Don-

ald Trump came along.

to oppose abortion. Democrat

politicians promised to support

It is worth noting that Roe was initially decided on a 7-2 ruling. Five of the seven justices in that 1973 opinion creating abortion "rights" were nominated to the high court by Republican

presidents. When that basic "right" to abortion was upheld by Casey 19 years later, the controlling plurality contained only three justices — all three of whom were nominated by Republican presidents.

Two justices in particular — John Paul Stevens and David Souter — went even further by becoming full-fledged members of the liberal, activist wing of the court. Justice Stevens was nominated by Republican Gerald Ford and Justice Souter was nominated by Republican George H.W. Bush.

President George W. Bush's record on the court is just as spotty as all his Republican predecessors. He nominated Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr., who has become the high court's Hamlet — forever torn between the constitution and his institutionalist aversion to change. Most famously, he contorted himself to preserve Obamacare — a decision that was constitutionally indefensible but kept the Supreme Court out of a political food fight over health care.

Chief Justice Roberts is a pretzel in a black robe.

To his credit, Mr. Bush also nominated Justice Alito, who authored the opinion overturning Roe. But that was only after Mr. Bush first tried nominating his personal friend, White House Counsel Harriet Miers, who was ultimately rejected by conservatives unsure of her judicial philosophy.

When Mr. Trump came along in 2016, anti-Trumpers in the Republican party freaked out and warned that Mr. Trump would fill the courts with lunatic left-wingers — much like all the Republicans before him had. These anti-Trumpers insisted that Mr. Trump would nominate his own family members to the Supreme Court.

In an act of political humility unheard of in Washington, Mr. Trump openly acknowledged he was new to the issue of judicial nominations and openly sought the advice of others. He was shocked to discover that presidents before him had nominated so many judges who brazenly replaced the Constitution with their own political opinions. Mr. Trump vowed to nominate actual constitutionalists to the federal courts and even published a list of judges from which he promised to pick. He kept every promise — without apology.

With a heroic assist from Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell, Mr. Trump placed 243 judges on the federal bench, including three justices on the Supreme Court. Of those three justices, all three voted to restore the Constitution and return power to the American people.

It is so ordered.

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By Morgan Ortagus

here is a war afoot that demands a response from all Americans of faith. Unlike Russia's war in Ukraine, this one is waged in secret. It is a war against the children of Abraham. Whether the victims are Christians, Muslims or Jews, this war is against those who believe there is just one God.

The new Axis of Terror wages this war. At the head is the Chinese Communist Party and its leader, Xi Jinping. What does Mr. Xi believe? Like all communists, he's a Marxist and atheist. He has required that all 95 million Chinese Communist Party members be atheists too.

Though Mr. Xi does not support organized faith in God, he demands that Chinese citizens hold devout "faith" in Marxism. Mr. Xi wants to elevate Marxism to higher than just a political philosophy. He seeks to place it as a dominant religion entirely. However, the faith of Marxism is responsible for tens of millions of victims during the 20th century at the hands of evil men like Josef Stalin and Mao Zedong.

Mr. Xi is Marxism's latest prophet. He even has his own scripture that every student in China must study, called "Xi Jinping Thought." He has become so powerful that, like the emperors of Egypt and Rome in the millennia past, he seeks to be treated as a god on Earth. He wants to be worshipped, as evidenced by CCP officials placing his picture in every office and every home in China.

The Chinese Communist Party seeks to eliminate religious competition and brainwash the minds of all those who don't see Mr. Xi as a god. He started this campaign like every dictator does: with regulation. His first decree was that every religious official must "uphold the CCP's leadership" and "uphold the socialist system." He determined that those who place their trust in God must first answer to Marxism and the Chinese Communist Party.

Like Nazi Germany, the concentration camps came next. The CCP placed between 1 and 2 million Muslim Uyghurs in brutal reeducation camps in the Xinjiang province. There, men, women, and young children are brutally tortured, sterilized and then

brainwashed. For hours a day, they must repeat slogans like "Long Live Xi Jinping" and "I am grateful to Xi Jinping for saving us from poverty." The CCP forces them to give up their faith and beats them at the mere sight of prayer.

CCP guards forcibly abort Uyghur women's children, guided by the evil desire to eliminate Uyghur culture and people from the earth. One woman was six and a half months pregnant when she and eight other pregnant women were rounded up, forced to take pills, and had needles mercilessly inserted into their wombs.

When I was State Department spokesperson, I was visibly pregnant with my daughter Adina, who is the light of my life. The thought that any government could come and kill the child inside me makes me sick. We had to fight against career government bureaucrats on this issue for a long time, but under former President Donald Trump and Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, we called these crimes against humanity by their true name: genocide.

As a Jewish woman, the Holocaust is a living example that we must take action against human rights atrocities, or we could be next. China has



Waged by China, Russia and Iran

reserved their worst treatment for Muslims now, but they are quickly moving to Christians. Eighty million Christians live in China, and the Chinese Communist Party subjects these believers to every type of abuse and persecution.

Four years ago, China banned the sale of the Bible online. Now, Christians can only buy the Bible through the Chinese government, and I can assure you it's not the same one in church pews across America. These books place CCP dogma above God's wisdom. China replaced independent churches with government-run propaganda centers. In these fake churches, sacred scripture and the Ten Commandments are censored and replaced by "Xi Jinping thought."

One Chinese pastor had a picture of Jesus in

the Chinese Communist Party takes over Taiwan, religious freedom will die there too. There are 23 million people living peacefully in Taiwan today, more than the population of Florida. There are 2,845 Christian churches in Taiwan.

China's ambition to grow into a superpower isn't only about increasing its political power, it's also about wiping out every ideology and every religion that poses a threat to the Chinese Communist Party, Marxism and the cult of Xi Jinping. That includes the ideals of freedom and faith in God that we hold dear in the United States.

China can't complete this mission alone. Just like Nazi Germany, China has allies in Russia and Iran. Even if those regimes believe very different things, they are aligned in at least two respects:

they hate America and they hate religious freedom.

China helps prop up the radical Iranian regime, led by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. Though he calls himself a defender of Muslims, Mr. Khamenei is completely silent about the plight of the millions of Muslims in Chinese concentration camps. That makes more sense when you remember that his brutal regime massacred 1,500 Iranians — many of them Muslim — who dared take to the streets in protest two years

The fact is: Mr. Khamenei doesn't care about Muslims, he cares about power. But he's also intent on killing and threatening Jews and Christians. In Iran, countless Christian converts have been flogged dozens of times for taking communion. One pastor was just sent to prison for 10 years for the crime of promoting Christianity.

Mr. Putin's persecution of any religion he can't control has only deepened. Russia banned four different evangelical churches last August. Nearly a thousand Russians were set to be imprisoned last year for their religious beliefs. And just like Nazi Germany did, Russia

particularly targets Jehovah's Witnesses. The forces of Marxism, authoritarianism and totalitarianism are at war against God because dictators cannot tolerate the idea that some people answer to God before they answer to a

Unfortunately, since President Biden has come to office, it looks like America is losing this war. Afghanistan is now in the Taliban's hands. We are closer than ever to losing Ukraine to Russia. Taiwan might be the next to fall. Israel could soon face the threat of nuclear extinction

The common thread in all these travesties rests on authoritarians seeking power as an end in itself — and destroying anything in their way. People of faith will always refuse to recognize this power, and in doing so, become the first victims of oppression. That is why it's more important than ever to recognize the only true antidote to cults of power: faith and freedom.

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government.

his church. State officials stormed the building and replaced the picture with one of Mr. Xi. You may know some of these stories, or perhaps you know worse ones yourself. But I'm here to warn you that it will get worse. This war against religion is spreading beyond China's borders. Over the last few years, the Chinese Com-

munist Party has infiltrated and now completely subsumed Hong Kong. Hong Kong was the freest place in Asia, characterized by thriving communities of faith and free enterprise. When China took control of Hong Kong, they started by cracking down on newspapers, then on freedom of assembly, then on speech, and now on religious freedom.

Last month, the CCP arrested Cardinal Joseph Zen who served as the Catholic Bishop of Hong Kong. His crime: Supporting the free practice of faith. There are nearly a million Catholics and other Christians living in Hong Kong who may soon see Jesus forcibly replaced with Mr. Xi on the altar.

But what's after Hong Kong? Mr. Xi says that "reunification" with Taiwan must be fulfilled, with all signs pointing to a military invasion. If

Kavanaugh's **Democratic assassins** The tales of Nicholas J. Roske and Michael Avenatti

By Rowan Scarborough

he attempted murder of Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh was forgotten as fast as any major news

A guy equipped with a mass murder's tool kit — a gun, bullets, zip ties, duct tape, hammer, screwdriver targeting the Supreme Court justice, at his doorstep, became something for the local crime wire.

News reports said Nicholas J. Roske showed up "near" the Kavanaugh residence. A cab actually dropped him off in front of the Chevy Chase home.

Social media posts said he had second thoughts and quickly turned himself in. The FBI affidavit says this: When he got out of the cab he looked at two armed

U.S. marshals staring back at him. At this point, his plot foiled, he started walking in the other direction.

The federal officers sent to protect Justice Kavanaugh likely saved his life, if in fact he was at home that night. This is no thanks to the Biden White House, which encouraged the intrusive, stalking of conservative justices.

President Biden and Attorney General Merrick Garland are ignoring a federal law that makes intimidating judges illegal. Mr. Biden is good at ignoring laws. He has ignored U.S. immigration law to open the southern border to new Democratic voters. With the flood comes Mexican cartels trafficking child sex, slavery and drugs.

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