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RELS162, RELIGION & POLITICAL CONTROVERSY IN THE U.S.
TAKE HOME QUIZ TWO: *DUE WEDNESDAY JUNE 20*

SUMMER SESSION 2012
(100 points possible, total)

Briefly (one sentence) define each term/theory below, in your own words. (up to 5 points each, 35 total possible)
*(I'd rather see a direct quote from the book, correctly cited, than a close paraphrase.
Please handwrite legibly or type on a separate page.)*

Culture Wars

Secularization

Cultural Shift

Civil Religion

Unconventional Partners

Populism

Market Thesis

Multiple Choice (3 points each, 60 total)

1. The word "jihad" means:

- A) to strive or struggle
- B) pilgrimage or journey
- C) justifiable holy war
- D) law and order

2. The term "sharia" refers to:

- A) the need to make holy war against all infidels
- B) Islamic holy law, derived from the Islam's sacred texts
- C) a covert plot by al Qaeda to take over the United States
- D) the declaration that "There is no god but God, and Muhammad is his prophet"

3. The Pentecostal branch of Evangelical Christianity is characterized by:

- A) an emotionally & physically subdued worship style, and interracial congregations
- B) an emotionally & physically exuberant worship style, and interracial congregations
- C) an emotionally & physically subdued worship style, and racially discriminatory congregations
- D) an emotionally & physically exuberant worship style, and racially discriminatory congregations

4. Rooted in the Catholic tradition, Liberation Theology focuses on:

- A) helping all individuals achieve liberation from institutional religions
- B) helping non-Christians achieve liberation from the endless cycles of reincarnation
- C) the concerns of the economic elite, in order support free market capitalism
- D) the concerns of the poor & oppressed in order to support their social, economic & political liberation

5. In his inaugural speech, Barack Obama said:

- A) "And so, my fellow Americans: ask not what your country can do for you--ask what you can do for your country."
- B) "America, at its best, is compassionate. In the quiet of American conscience, we know that deep, persistent poverty is unworthy of our nation's promise."
- C) "We know that our patchwork heritage is a strength, not a weakness. We are a nation of Christians and Muslims, Jews and Hindus, and non-believers."
- D) "No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the Invisible Hand which conducts the affairs of men more than those of the United States."

6. According to McGraw, the purpose of the Civic Public Forum is to establish & enforce laws & policies that:

- A) allow everyone total freedom
- B) protect our inalienable rights
- C) protect overarching worldviews
- D) require people to hold specific beliefs

7. According to McGraw, the purpose of the Conscientious Public Forum is to allow people to voluntarily hold, and potentially persuade others to hold:

- A) beliefs and values derived only from religion
- B) beliefs and values pertaining only to liberty and equality
- C) beliefs and values not necessarily pertaining to liberty and equality
- D) beliefs and values concerning matters that are anything but religious

8. According to McGraw, are religious views ever appropriate for debate & action in the Civic Public Forum?

- A) no, religious views are prohibited in the Civic Forum by the separation of church & state
- B) no, religious views are to be strictly private matters
- C) yes, but only when those religious views pertain to our inalienable human rights and their defense
- D) yes, but only when those religious views are morally relative

9. According to McGraw, the essential moral principles of the Civic Public Forum are:

- A) no aid, no hindrance
- B) no harm, no hypocrisy
- C) no healthcare, no heresy
- D) no justice, no peace

10. According to McGraw, the essential (but voluntary) moral principles of the Conscientious Public Forum are:

- A) to recognize that all morals are entirely relative
- B) to listen only to the dictates of your own conscience
- C) to participate & dialogue only with those who think like you do
- D) to participate & contribute by both speaking & listening, and by thinking of the good of the whole

11. According to McGraw, the purpose of freedom is to seek:

- A) God through his only son Jesus Christ
- B) individual liberty to the exclusion of any other consideration
- C) an overarching worldview that can be democratically agreed to by the majority
- D) a good & just society by protecting the rights of every individual to express their conscience through speech & action

12. The Rev. Billy Graham is a prominent evangelical preacher who:

- A) became a spiritual advisor to many U.S. presidents starting in the 1940s
- B) gave the benediction at Barack Obama's inauguration
- C) founded the Moral Majority in the 1970s
- D) all of the above

13. The Rev. Billy Graham suggested the Presbyterian denomination to which presidential candidate?

- A) Dwight D. Eisenhower
- B) Richard Nixon
- C) Ronald Reagan
- D) Barack Obama

14. The Rev. Jerry Falwell was the founder of the:

- A) Sojourners Magazine in 1971
- B) Moral Majority in 1979
- C) Christian Coalition in 1989
- D) Tea Party in 2010

15. Francis Schaeffer was

- A) the youthful leader of the conservative Christian Coalition in the 1990s
- B) an early voice of the progressive evangelical movement who ran for congress in 1976
- C) a prominent televangelist whose career collapse in the 1980s following financial and sexual scandal
- D) a fundamentalist theologian whose ideas helped inspire conservative evangelicals to get involved in politics

16. Which president famously said during an election debate that Jesus was his favorite philosopher “because he changed my heart?”

- A) Richard Nixon
- B) Jimmy Carter
- C) Ronald Reagan
- D) George W. Bush

17. Which president was not especially religious, but rallied the newly solidifying evangelical vote by famously saying at an evangelical gathering: “I know you can’t endorse me, but I endorse you”

- A) Richard Nixon
- B) Jimmy Carter
- C) Ronald Reagan
- D) George W. Bush

18. When Ronald Reagan said that American is a “shining city on a hill,” he was referring to a:

- A) sermon given by John Winthrop, a Puritan governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, in 1630
- B) sermon given by John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, in 1738
- C) speech given by Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War in 1863
- D) sermon given by Billy Graham during the Cold War in 1959

19. _____ forged a Democratic coalition that held national power until the late 1960s.

- A) Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War
- B) Theodore Roosevelt before World War I
- C) Franklin D. Roosevelt during the Great Depression
- D) John F. Kennedy during the Space Age

20. Why were most evangelical Southerners loyal to the Democratic party until the late 1970s?

- A) after the Civil War, Northern Republicans were deeply distrusted
- B) before World War One, they were sympathetic to the growing labor & socialist movements
- C) after World War Two, they continued to support the agendas of Roosevelt’s New Deal
- D) before the Civil Rights movement, their evangelistic religious tendencies led them to support the “social gospel”

MATCHING QUESTIONS (1 point each, 5 total)

	conscience
	conscious
	liturgy
	moral relativity
	overarching worldview

A. a set pattern of worship for a specific religious group
B. one’s sense of right and wrong; our moral compass
C. to be aware of one’s own existence
D. the view that all morals should be enforced from the top down
E. the view that all morals are entirely dependant on one’s perspective and cultural context